

# FESTIVAL OF LANGUAGES DRAFT PROGRAM

Saturday 17 June ANU Centre for Arab & Islamic Studies (CAIS)

10.30 – 11am Official opening. Welcome to country by First Nations Elder Paul House			
Lecture Theatre	Community Room	Tutorial Room	Foyer / courtyard
Panel discussions/short talks	Workshops and activities		
<p><u>11am – 11.30pm</u>  <b>Why is it so important to nurture multilingualism in the Middle East and North Africa?</b></p> <p><u>12 noon – 12.30 pm</u>  <b>Language in transition</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>finding ways to transmit language between generations</li> </ul>	<p>Georgian alphabet exhibition</p> <p>11.40am – 12.00pm            Introduction by H.E. Beka Dvali, Ambassador of Georgia</p>	<p>Language ‘taster’ sessions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Arabic</li> <li>Turkish</li> <li>Persian</li> </ul> <p>Arabic calligraphy</p> <p>Backgammon in Turkish</p> <p>Kids’ corner – bilingual story time/games</p>	<p>Nibbles, tea/coffee, water</p> <p>Informal networking</p> <p>Information displays:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ANU languages</li> <li>CIT Solutions</li> <li>NAATI</li> <li>Other language programs in the ACT</li> </ul>
1pm - 2pm	Lunch available	Informal networking	
<p><u>2.15pm – 2.45pm</u>  <b>Learning Languages as an Adult</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Why are some people better at learning languages than others?</li> <li>What can YOU do to be a better language learner?</li> </ul> <p><u>3pm-3.20pm</u>            Inner Rhythm in <b>Persian Language and Poetry</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Languages in ancient Persia and their influence on poetry and music.</li> <li>Examples played on a setar of how ethnic music has preserved rhythms of the ancient languages.</li> </ul>	<p>Georgian alphabet exhibition</p>	<p>Learn to be a ventriloquist – Japanese and English</p> <p>Writing names in other scripts/ find out more about Japanese and Korean</p> <p>Have fun with the Welsh language</p>	<p>Nibbles, tea/coffee, water</p> <p>Informal networking</p> <p>Information tables/displays</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ANU languages</li> <li>CIT Solutions</li> <li>NAATI</li> <li>Other language programs in the ACT</li> </ul>
4pm CLOSE			