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## DIJETE I JEZIK DANAS

*Čitanje u suvremenom okruženju*

Osijek (Hrvatska), 16. - 18. rujna 2021.

10<sup>th</sup> International Scientific Conference

## CHILDREN AND LANGUAGES TODAY

*Reading in Contemporary Contexts*

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### Call for Papers

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## CHILDREN AND LANGUAGES TODAY

**Reading in Contemporary Contexts**

September 16 – 18, 2021

Osijek, Croatia

Department of Croatian Studies/Department of English and German Studies  
Faculty of Education, Josip Juraj Strossmayer University of Osijek

The year 2021 was declared the **Year of Reading** by the Government of the Republic of Croatia in accord with the Action Plan of the National Reading Support Strategy, whose goal is to encourage the development of reading culture. To honour this initiative, the Department of Croatian Studies and the Department of English and German Studies of the Faculty of Education are organising their 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary conference **Children and Languages Today** with the conference theme **Reading in Contemporary Contexts**. The conference Children and Languages Today, whose main focus since it was first organised twenty years ago has been children and language development, aims to explore different ways in which reading takes place today as well as a variety of factors that impact the development of reading and early literacy skills in contemporary settings. The National Reading Support Strategy, among others, encourages scientific research which could provide new insights into ways to support reading, improve the systematic distribution of information, and encourage the intersectoral cooperation of institutional and out-of-institutional stakeholders in the area of reading support. For this reason, we would like to contribute to the ongoing academic efforts by inviting scholarly contributions to the important topic of the role of reading in children's lives in the digital era.



The conference theme is inclusive of various research backgrounds and approaches, and we therefore encourage interdisciplinary contributions with regard to, but not limited to, the following topics:

1. *Emerging literacy and pre-reading skills*
2. *Internal factors in the development of reading skills* (age, gender, cognitive traits, affective traits, reading strategies, etc.)
3. *External factors in the development of reading skills* (family environment, pre-school and school environment, non-formal and informal environment, etc.)
4. *Difficulties in mastering reading skills*
5. *Reading culture*

#### CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

We invite you to send your **submission form, abstract** (up to 300 words) and **keywords** (up to 5 words) in Croatian and English by May 15, 2021 via the EasyChair platform: [easychair.org/conferences/?conf=chila2021](https://www.easychair.org/conferences/?conf=chila2021).

**Notification of acceptance** will be sent by **June 15, 2021**.

#### CONFERENCE FEE

Conference fee (Early bird) 500 kn/70 € - by July 15, 2021.

Conference fee (Standard) 600 kn/80 € - from July 15 to September 1, 2021.

Student and postgraduate student fee 150 kn/20 €.

The conference fee should be paid by bank transfer.

Payments in Croatian currency - HRK (Croatian kunas)

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PURPOSE: Children and Languages Today

Papers that receive positive reviews will be published by the Faculty of Education in Osijek.

Full manuscripts need to be sent by September 15, 2021 at

[easychair.org/conferences/?conf=chila2021](https://www.easychair.org/conferences/?conf=chila2021).

The official conference languages are Croatian and English. The conference will take place both on-site and online via the Zoom video communication platform.

We sincerely welcome your proposals!

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