Fredericton hosts the 2019 LWB

Fredericton, May 1, 2019. — Over 500 language educators from across Canada and abroad are meeting at the Fredericton Convention Centre, May 2-4 for the Canadian Association of Second Language Teacher’s (CASLT) 2019 Languages Without Borders (LWB) conference.

Organized CASLT in partnership with the Second Language Research Institute of Canada (L2RIC) at the University of New Brunswick, the 2019 LWB will offer more than 100 professional development sessions looking at challenges, innovations and best practices in second language education.

There will be sessions touching on a diversity of topics including core, immersion & intensive French, English for newcomers, French for newcomers in francophone schools, French in minority language setting (francisation), Indigenous languages, International and Heritage languages.

The 2019 LWB will also feature some of the leading lights in the field of second language learning and teaching including authors, professors and researchers delivering high quality, research-based professional learning content.

“We are very pleased to provide such a diversity of workshop sessions and strands. We thank all language educators who graciously accepted to share their knowledge and to foster excellence in the teaching of languages,” offeredCASLT President Janice Aubry.

To lay the groundwork for the conference, CASLT and L2RIC will hold a pre-conference round table Thursday, May 2 on the theme “Leadership in Second Language Education: Challenges and Opportunities.” Leaders in second language education will share their perspectives on key challenges, innovations, and opportunities in their particular area. Attendees will have the opportunity to discuss challenges and propose innovations.

“In Canada’s only officially bilingual province we are excited about this conference that promotes French and English language teaching and learning, and goes beyond to include indigenous languages, heritage languages and international languages”, stated L2RIC Director Joseph Dicks.

LWB is also an opportunity for language educators and stakeholders to network, share and collaborate. There will be over 35 companies including publishers, professional associations, language schools, governmental agencies and vendors with timely resources of interest to language educators.

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Since 1970, the Canadian Association of Second Language Teachers (CASLT) is dedicated to promoting the advancement of language learning and teaching throughout Canada. This is achieved by creating opportunities for professional development, by initiating and disseminating research, and by facilitating the exchange of information and ideas among language educators.

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