

**PLENARY SPEAKER****Sophia Mavridi****Digital literacies and the new digital divide**

Along with the traditional inequalities between those who can access technology and those who can not, there is a new and increasingly concerning digital divide that separates frequent but uncritical users of technology from competent and reflective ones. What uses are our students capable of making? How digitally literate are they? What role can this play in their language learning?

**Short bio**

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