## **PUBLIC LECTURE**

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# ENHANCING TEACHERS' LANGUAGE ASSESSMENT LITERACY

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### Abstract

In recent years, we have seen an increasing interest in the topic of language assessment literacy, including discussions on ways in which language teachers' knowledge, skills practices in language testing and assessment could be and enhanced. In this talk, I will first provide some background conceptualisations of language assessment literacy and on discuss suggestions made in the literature to develop teachers' language assessment literacy. I will then share practical example of an exam reform project in which a phased language assessment literacy training and test development cycle was implemented. This aimed to empower in-service teachers through assessment literacy training in the narrow and broad sense and to establish sustainable, teacher-led assessment cycle. Based on the а insights gained from this training, and on the teachers' and trainers' narrative accounts of their experiences, I will make some recommendations for those working with a similar remit for training on teacher-led and advising reforms. Additionally, I will discuss the role of exam teacher educators in preparing pre-service teachers for their future assessor roles, and present a study lookina into the language assessment literacy needs of teacher educators.



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