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Hello Everyone!

What a busy time it has been! If you came to the conference in Tehran in late September then you will be very much aware of the wonderful collegiality, stimulating presentations and professional conversations that continued from morning until night. We extend our congratulations and sincere thanks to all contributed to its great success. Look out shortly for a report and photographs on our web site. I know that many of us have continued to discuss our research and pedagogy by e-mail with a view to developing new international projects and stimulating new research and ultimately publications – it is great to know that the conference has stimulated such an international conversation.

Talking of publishing we would like to remind you of the opportunities associated with isIPAL-Middle East's 1st. International Conference on TESOL entitled ***Improving TESOL – pedagogies, learning and assessment***. While the first deadline for the submission of papers was 30 June 2013 (now past) the second deadline was 30 November 2013. After due consideration, we have extended this deadline until Monday 06 January 2014. Separate instructions, guidelines and publication targets are attached.

We would welcome your papers for consideration for publishing in the *International Journal of Pedagogies and Learning*, the *APAMALL Journal of Language Learning Technologies* and the special edition book entitled: *Advances in TESOL for 21st century pedagogies, learning and assessment*.- all will undergo a rigorous double blind peer review process.

In addition, if you do not have research outcomes to report but you would like to share what you have been doing in your teaching, then we welcome your stories about challenges and/or successes, effective strategies and/or resources to include in the Society's online magazine for teachers - Pedagogies at Work.

<http://www.pedagogy.org.au/Resources/PedagogiesatWork-145/>

Please send to info@pedagogy.org.au – they may be in the form of a word document or a power point or both and we welcome photographs and encourage multimodal texts. Keep an eye out for this month's issue which will report on how community engagement activities between schools in Taiwan and Australia are fostering language learning. This is our multimodal publication highlights teachers' notable achievements and how students have opportunities to become involved in service learning.

Things you can do!

View the *Improving Schools* journal July 2013 is a special issue that reports on schoolwide pedagogy and improving literacy learning see <http://imp.sagepub.com/>

As new members please visit our website to learn more about isIPAL www.pedagogy.org.au and please let us know your specific needs as we are always looking for ways of improving our service. For instance, are you interested in joining a discussion forum on a specific topic? Please let us know.

With our best wishes

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