

# ViVEXELT (Viet Nam Virtual Exchange for English Language Teaching) Symposium

*Sharing synchronous online ELT practice through a  
Virtual Exchange UK-Viet Nam – Lessons Learnt*

24/11/2021

Time:

1 pm – 3.30 pm UK/8.00pm – 10.30 pm Viet Nam

Where?

On Zoom. Please register at the link below:

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## Programme

1.00 – 1.20 pm UK/8.00 - 8.20 pm Viet Nam

Nga Le English for Education Systems Development Manager British Council Viet Nam

Davide Guarini Gilmartin Academic Manager, English for Education Systems, British Council Viet Nam

Bui Thi Ngoc Thuy, Co-Principal Investigator ViVEXELT and Deputy Head of the External Affairs Office, Hanoi University of Science and Technology Viet Nam

Marina Orsini-Jones, Co-Principal Investigator ViVEXELT and Associate Head of School Global Engagement School of Humanities, Coventry University, UK

*British Council - Digital Learning Innovation Pilot: Welcome and Introduction to the ViVEXELT Symposium*

1.20 – 2.00 pm UK/8.20 – 9.00 pm Viet nam

Keynote Talk (30 minutes + 10 Q&A)

Teresa MacKinnon (see back of this programme for further details)

*On borders, bubbles and badges*

2.00 – 2.30 pm UK/9.00 – 9.30 pm Viet Nam

ViVEXELT participants

The 'Online Teaching Speaking Lesson Plan Showcase' and other reflections

2.30 – 3.00 pm UK/9.30 – 10.00 pm Viet Nam

ViVEXELT e-CIIC (e- Classroom Interactional and Intercultural Competencies) mediators

*E-CIIC participant-mediators reflections 'in' action, 'on action' 'for action'*

3.00-3.30 pm UK/10.00 -10.30 pm Viet Nam

Q&A, discussion and planning for the next symposium and the ViVEXELT Community of Practice and final remarks

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Plenary invited speaker: Teresa MacKinnon



### Bio:

Teresa is an open educator, an award winning language teacher with a wealth of expertise in professional online activity. Experienced in education management and course design in secondary and higher education, Senior Fellow of the Higher Education Academy and Certified Member of the Association for Learning Technology (ALT), Teresa has extensive experience of the integration of computer-mediated communication in learning design. She retired in January 2021 from her post as Associate Professor at the University of Warwick but remains active online as [@WarwickLanguage](#) where she enjoys connecting educators internationally across sectors. She advocates open educational practice, leads ALT's Open Education Special Interest Group and is active in the areas of virtual exchange and open badges. [ORCID profile](#). [Personal website](#).

Abstract.

### On borders, bubbles and badges

A global pandemic is not an ideal way to galvanise interest in the use of computer-mediated communication. However, our shared experience has forced a wider community of practitioners to increase their awareness of the developments that have happened in Higher Education over recent years. An enhanced research base comes from [a 3 year long initiative in virtual exchange supported by Erasmus Plus funding](#) and several European funded projects such as [EVOLVE](#) and [EVALUATE](#) coming together to increase understanding of virtual exchange (VE), extending its reach beyond language teaching and into interdisciplinary activity that has real societal impact. In her introduction to [Virtual Exchange: Towards digital equity in internationalisation](#) Satar says: "Although VE is not a new pedagogy anymore, it has never been so timely and strong given the risks and restrictions in international travel due to the COVID-19 pandemic".

This presentation will share some of the features of VE, notably the use of both formal and informal channels, multimodal communication and the recognition of professional digital fluency for practitioners.