



# ***The IALLT Journal***

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## **FROM THE PRESIDENT OF IALLT**



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Once again we have another interesting and timely issue of the IALLT Journal put together by the dedicated work of our Managing Editor, Dan Sonesson and his team of reviewers. We have four excellent articles discussing some of the latest uses of social media and mobile technology for language learning. We also have a timely column by our Intellectual Property Columnist, Julie Evershed. I hope you will find this issue useful and interesting.

I am honored to conclude my final preface to the IALLT Journal, as well as my tenure as President of IALLT, with a tribute to the many people who have contributed to the 50 years of language learning technology theory, practice, and history. During our FLEAT VI conference this August, we will be honoring all those that created and led our association of language technologists through the various eras of technology. Although we will only have the time and the means

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to focus on the past presidents of NALLD-IALL-IALLT, we remember with gratitude all those who have ever served as board or council members, sat on committees, worked in exhibit hall booths, or contributed to the Journal and the various publications through the years. We especially honor those who sacrificed time and energy to host conferences, many times doing most of the planning and organizing themselves. I have been the beneficiary of these conferences, publications and the friendship of so many helpful people during my professional career. I know I speak for many others when I say that I would not be where I am today without the assistance of the people and programs of IALLT.

I would also like to publicly, and in the permanence of print, thank those of the IALLT Board and Council that have served with me during the past four years. I have had the wonderful privilege of close association with some very dedicated and selfless individuals who are committed to making a difference in the lives and careers of each IALLT member. Please thank them when you have the opportunity to do so, and please consider serving if the time is right for you.

It has been an honor to serve my friends and associates as the President of IALLT and I look forward to supporting the incoming Board under the able leadership of Sangeetha Gopalakrishnan, who will enthusiastically lead us into the next half century of innovation and discovery.

With gratitude,  
Harold H. Hendricks  
President