

Letter from the Editor

Dear Readers,

Once again it is my pleasure to present to you the official proceedings for the 2014 JALT Vocab SIG Vocabulary Symposium. As in preceding years, the event was staged at Kyushu Sangyo University, on June 14th this year, and was hugely successful.

Following what has now become tradition, the morning session featured four papers concentrating on vocabulary instruction. Topics ranged from selecting vocabulary to assessing knowledge of collocations. Commenting on these fine presentations was the renowned vocabulary researcher, Dr Batia Laufer. The afternoon session focused on vocabulary assessment, with three of the four papers focusing on multiple-choice vocabulary tests such as the VST and the VLT. The discussant for this session, Dr Akiyo Hirai, addressed each paper and raised interesting themes and considerations to help facilitate further research.

On a slightly different, but relevant topic, there are now four additional articles in the 'Online First' page of our website, <http://vli-journal.org/wp/online-first/>, including a fascinating historical exploration by Paul Meara. More articles are at present in various stages of review.

I hope you enjoy the pages that follow and remember to keep those submissions coming. *VLI* publishes original research regarding vocabulary learning, instruction and assessment. Please check the website for submission guidelines.

Raymond Stubbe,
Editor