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## Call for Book Chapters

LAP has initiated **Annual Book Publication** as its next flagship project, after the Annual International Conference- ICLAP, the book publication idea is driven by the growing realization of the need to have contextual studies that capture academic and critical discourses from the local practitioners, researchers, and professionals engaged in varied aspects, issues, themes, and topics related to linguistics, and languages. The vision behind the book publication resonates with the provision of peer-refereed, high-quality theoretical and applied knowledge in a book that provides a multidimensional lens leading to an expansive understanding of the subject focused in the title. The published book will be a primary resource for the students, researchers, faculty, and other stakeholders across Pakistan and will serve as a benchmark for external stakeholders interested in Pakistan as a language and linguistic context. The book will be published by a prominent local publisher to enhance its access and use as a primary resource across public and private HEIs across Pakistan. The annual book publication will serve as a continual platform for leading experts, senior academics, and acclaimed researchers to share their critical insights, unique experiences, best practices, and strategic recommendations for a wider impact that will transform more individuals and regions across the linguistic landscape of Pakistan.

**Book Title:**                    **Language Policy and Planning in Pakistan: Policies, Praxes, and Perspectives**

**Editors:**                        Sajida Zaki, Habibullah Pathan and Muntazar Mehdi

### Book Synopsis

The colonial history and multilingual context of Pakistan make Language Policy and Planning a central theme in our academic, social, and political arenas invoking sentiments and concerns that have resulted in complexities. Owing to a dearth of experts and academics on the subject and largely because of the absence of platforms and opportunities, LPP issues and perspectives have remained unaddressed particularly objective and rational revisitation in the contemporary twenty-first century realities and developments. This situation has made an already sensitive matter to a contentious one that underscores the need for academic and critical deliberations on the subject and its multifaceted underlying contextual realities. Also, LPP is viewed as the tipping point that shapes the subsequent ideologies, frameworks, and practices concerning language pedagogy, instructional design, classroom practices, materials, and testing. With this brief overview, the editors invite **original contributions from experts, academics, and researchers** interested or involved in theoretical or empirical research on Language policy and planning in the multilingual Pakistani context focusing on any of the following three major critical aspects: **Policies, Praxes, and Perspectives**.

**Topics:** The major topics on “**Language Policy and Planning in Pakistan: Policies, Praxes, and Perspectives**” include:

- Language policy and planning and multilingualism
- Language policy and planning realities in third world countries
- Language education policy
- Language policy development and policy implementation.



- Comparative policy analysis/critique - 1947 to date
- Language policy- theory and design
- Language policy and planning principles
- Language policy and planning and its actors, instruments, and indicators
- Language policy in higher education
- Praxes of LPP implementation
- Humanizing language policy, LPP and stakeholder engagement, LPP and the culture and context, LPP and the social development, good practices and the ethical dimensions, challenges, constraints and realities, perspectives of state and communities, politics of language policy, etc.

### **Book Chapter Proposal Submission:**

Interested individuals may submit a carefully developed proposal that clearly establishes a link with the book title (**LPP**), its focused aspects (**policies, praxes, and practices**) and the topics listed above.

The proposals should be critically evaluated before submission for: a) focusing on original analytical/empirical research that has implications for specific stakeholders in the local context; and, b) scientific and academic language and style and standard written English.

**Send your proposals through email addressed to editors at the email: [vicechair@lap.org.pk](mailto:vicechair@lap.org.pk) as a Word and Pdf file including the following details/descriptions:**

1. Title of the proposed book chapter
2. Topic to which it is classified (from the list above); and the aspect to which its is classified (policies, praxes, perspectives)'
3. Proposal Description: 500 to 750 words description that may cover the applicable elements: problem, aims, scope, contribution, theory, methods, population/sample/context, data analysis, conclusion etc.
4. Author Details: Names, designation, affiliation, email address, and cell number of every author. Clearly mention them as first, second, third, and fourth author and also indicate the corresponding author from amongst the listed authors. Proposals with more than four authors will not be considered.

**Last Date to send the book Chapter Proposal is 31 May 2024.**

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