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Time	Session Title	Presenters	Audience
8:30 - 9:00	Meet and Greet	ITBE Board	All
9:00-9:10	Welcome and Introduction	ITBE President Ayesha Riaz	All
9:10-10:00	Keynote: *Safe Spaces, Brave Voices: Empowering Multilingual Learners through Community*	Jennifer Siegfried	All
Session 1			
10:10-11:00	AI-Powered Engagement: Practical Tools for Language Teachers	Anlu Zhu, Anh Vo	All
10:10-11:00	Reconstructing Pedagogical Beliefs in an English Classroom in China	Zijing Chen	Teacher Education
10:10-11:00	Forward Together: A Listening Hour for Multilingual Education	Lane Steiner	All
Session 2			
11:10-12:00	AI Can Translate. But Are Students Learning?	Karla Garjaka	All
11:10-12:00	Integrating Wellness and Learning in Teacher Education	Ambareen Nasir	Teacher Education
11:10-12:00	Where Should Teachers of Pre-Literate Adult English Learners Begin?	Anna Mendoza	Adult Education
12:00-12:20	Lunch Break/Mingle with the ITBE Board		
12:30-12:50	*SIG Meetings and Breakout Groups*		
	Elementary Education SIG Meeting Secondary Education SIG Meeting Higher Education SIG Meeting Adult Education SIG Meeting Teacher Education SIG Meeting		

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Session 3			
1:00-1:50	Beyond Spanish and English: Making Linguistic Diversity Usable	Nathaniel Mensah	K-12
1:00-1:50	Vocabulary Techniques for ML Students	Richard Sasso	Secondary Ed.
1:00-1:50	Getting Unstuck: Differentiating Reading Tasks so Everyone can Learn	Leona Leighton	Adult Ed.
Session 4			
2:00-2:50	Strategies for Supporting Multilingual Readers	Marjeta Bejdo, Melissa Tobey LaBelle	K-12
2:00-2:50	Before, During, and After Class: English Teachers' AI Use	Nick Mueller	Secondary Ed.
2:00-2:50	Leveraging Students' Linguistic Resources in the ESL Classroom	Zeynep Canpolat	All
2:50-3:00	Closing/Convention Info/Raffle	ITBE President Ayesha Riaz	All