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## **ABSTRACT**

### **LSP education and research: evolving priorities and quality dimensions**

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The changes we have all witnessed over the last few years in most domains have become the ‘new normal’ also in LSP education and research. This talk will start with a focus on the dynamic evolution of LSP teaching and learning practice, including reference to various concerns and the search for workable solutions. Linked to these, I will then explore evolving trends in ESP research, in terms of thematic areas addressed and preferred methodological approaches over the last three years. The review of research article titles and abstracts in key ESP journals will be complemented by the views of ESP journal editors and those of LSP academics/researchers from different countries, regarding evolving priorities and quality concerns. To conclude, I will briefly refer to some of the latest developments introduced by the international association EAQUALS (“Excellence and Accreditation of Quality in Language Services”), such as the new quality indicators for blended learning and those for university language centres, as examples of a proactive approach to quality assurance in these times of change.