

Editorial

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Dear *Language Policy* readers,

After 8 years of intensive and productive collaboration as editors of *Language Policy*, we have decided it is time for us to move on to new academic projects and to make room for new editors, who will bring their own vision and inspiration to the journal.

After a wide-spread and intensive search for international leaders in the field with experience in editing and deep knowledge of diverse aspects of language policy, we are very happy to announce that as of January 2015, Drs. Ofelia García (CUNY Graduate Center, US) and Helen Kelly Holmes (Limerick University, Ireland) will serve as the new editors of *Language Policy*. Both are well known scholars who have done extensive work on language policy in the areas of bilingualism, language maintenance, media, technology, and a variety of related topics. We are thankful they have agreed to take on this task and are confident that the journal will continue to thrive in their hands.

We have worked closely with them in this transition period, and will continue to do so into 2015. We will also continue to work with all current authors to ensure a smooth transition. Authors with papers currently in the system (that is, under review) will not experience any change in process, contacts or procedures as we will work with them until decisions about their papers are made and processed. In

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addition, we have collaboratively established guidelines in terms of editorship transitions moving forward, with Dr. Ofelia García serving for the next 3–5 years, and Dr. Helen Kelly Holmes for 5–7. This graduate transition will ensure both continuity in journal leadership and innovation with regular new editors.

With respect to the Book Review editors, after 7 years of excellent work, Dr. Kate Menken stepped down from this role in May, 2014. Dr. Sarah C. Moore (Center for Applied Linguistics, US) took over beginning July 1, 2014. We welcome Sarah, and thank Kate for her outstanding service. Dr. Leigh Oakes will remain as Book Review Editor and Associate Editor of the journal.

We greatly thank the article authors whose contributions and patience of course make the journal the excellent outlet for scholarship that it is; the many anonymous and uncompensated reviewers who spend long hours reading papers and providing extremely useful and detailed feedback; and the editorial board for their warm and devoted support and their critical work in providing new ideas and expert advice at many important moments of the journal. It has been a highly productive and meaningful collaborative 8 years with all of you.

We wish you all, and in particular Ofelia and Helen the best, and look forward to many more successful journal issues in the years to come.