LinguaPax Forum on Language Diversity, Sustainability, and Peace

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The 10th LinguaPax Congress was devoted to the topics language diversity and language sustainability and their relevance to peace. B. Comrie, N. Hornberger, S. Romaine, A. Bastardas, F. de Varennes and M. Siguan were invited to present their ideas on the three major conference topics. Five workshops were organized in parallel, to give a spectrum of the ongoing work and to work out perspectives: (1) Positive Models of language policy and planning, (2) Case studies of language revitalization and standardization, (3) Evaluation of the current sociolinguistic research, (4) Language law and language rights, (5) Agents in favor of language diversity. The papers presented and the results can be viewed at the LinguaPax web-site. The DOBES programme was invited to present the DOBES documentation and archiving model and its relevance, for example, to language revitalization. U. Mosel and P. Wittenburg shared the presentation, which covered both linguistic and technological aspects. The DOBES contribution was very well received, we got many positive responses. <u>http://www.linguapax.org/</u> congres04/indexang.html