



University of
Strathclyde
Glasgow

Fhiona Mackay

Keynote Speaker

Fhiona is the director of Scotland's National Centre for Languages (SCILT) and the Confucius Institute for Scotland's Schools (CISS) at the University of Strathclyde. Joining SCILT in 2012 from her previous role at Education Scotland, Fhiona works with a wide range of national agencies and international partners to promote and support language learning across Scotland in schools and communities. Fhiona recognises the importance of collaboration, sharing of ideas, and knowledge exchange as a way of empowering members of the language and teaching community. In this way, she believes, we can ensure that languages are seen as key skills for life in a locally interdependent world and contribute to the development of a more inclusive and tolerant society.