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TESOL Recognizes IATEFL with 2016 President's Award

Alexandria, VA (4 March 2016) – [TESOL International Association](#) announced today that the International Association of Teachers of English (IATEFL) is being honored with the 2016 TESOL Presidents' Award. The award honors individuals or organizations outside of TESOL that have demonstrated a commitment to English language instruction and education. IATEFL Past President Susan Barduhn, PhD will accept the award on behalf of IATEFL from TESOL President Andy Curtis, PhD during the President's Keynote Session at the [2016 TESOL International Convention & English Language Expo](#) in Baltimore, Maryland, USA. IATEFL President Marjorie Rosenberg will also speak via recorded message.

IATEFL is one of the largest professional associations of English Language teachers in the world, with members from nearly 135 countries, and 125 associates, which are local teaching associations, around the world. Since its founding in 1967, it has developed a rich array of networks and a number of different routes by which teachers and other ELT professionals can participate in its activities. IATEFL also has 15 Special Interest Groups that enable members to develop their particular interests and skills.

IATEFL is being honored in recognition of its mission to link, develop, and support English language teaching professionals worldwide. "For five decades, IATEFL has worked as a colleague association to advance the ELT profession," notes President Curtis. "As both our organizations celebrate 50 years of excellence in advancing the ELT profession, it seems particularly fitting that the award be presented to our sister organization."

Each year TESOL's president selects an individual or organization whose work for the field of English language teaching reflects TESOL's core values. Past recipients of the TESOL President's Award come from diverse backgrounds and include The British Council, UNICEF, and the Peace Corps.

About TESOL International Association

Founded in 1966, [TESOL International Association](#) is a professional community of educators, researchers, administrators, and students committed to advancing excellence in English language teaching for speakers of other languages worldwide. With more than 12,000 members representing over 150 countries, TESOL fosters the exchange of ideas, research, and peer-to-peer knowledge, and provides expertise, resources, and a powerful voice on issues affecting the profession. Through professional development programs, its international conference, special interest groups, and publications, TESOL engages tens of thousands of professionals to collaborate globally and create a world of opportunity for millions of people of all ages who want to learn English. For more information, please visit www.tesol.org.

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