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TITLE OF THE KEYNOTE SPEECH:

"Effective feedback practices in online and hybrid contexts"

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SHORT BIO

Prof. Laia Canals has a Ph.D. in Linguistics from the Graduate Center of the City University of New York (2007). After working as a teacher of Spanish and academic writing at Hunter College, Brooklyn College, and NYU, she was a professor in the Department of Language Teaching at UAB. She is currently a professor at the Universitat Oberta de Catalunya (UOC) where she coordinates English and MA courses for the [MA in Technology-Mediated Language Teaching and Learning](#) and does research on task-based language teaching and learning mediated by technology



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TITLE OF THE KEYNOTE SPEECH:

"Open Education & Blockchain"

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SHORT BIO

Prof. Carmen Holotescu is a Professor and Dean at the Faculty of Engineering, Director of the Center for Open Education and Blockchain part of the „Ioan Slavici” University of Timișoara, Romania with a PhD on new technologies and open education. She has participated in many European projects and has a rich experience in designing and implementing learning and collaborative platforms based on open pedagogies. She has

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