

The Ph.D. Program in Hispanic and Luso-Brazilian Literatures and Languages and the Mercè Rodoreda Chair at the Graduate Center, City University of New York

Present

Language Policies - why do they matter?

Language has always been one of the main symbols of cultural identity within a community. Throughout modern history, nation-states have developed and implemented language policies designed to promote one official language or defend the rights of minorities.

Today, language policies still remain on top of the agenda for many policy makers and scholars. How should the new generation of policy makers take into account issues such as immigration, cultural diversity and globalization in the drafting and implementation of language laws for the 21st century ?

Join us for an insightful and thought-provoking roundtable discussion that will include specialists from the Basque Country, Catalonia, Flanders, Québec and Wales.

The panel will be moderated by journalist and author **Robert Lane Greene** and will also feature **Matilde Roman**, Deputy Commissioner/General Counsel of the New York City's Mayor Office of Immigrant Affairs.

Monday, October 24, 2011
6:00pm Roundtable discussion
8:00pm Reception
(This event is free of charge)

Proshansky Auditorium
The Graduate Center, CUNY
365 Fifth Avenue (at 34th street)
Concourse Level
New York, New York 10016

Please RSVP before October 19 at hbl@gc.cuny.edu

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