



Manifesto Launch

30th January 2024, 4-6pm, House of Lords, Committee Room G

Event programme



1. **Welcome** Lord Boateng
2. **Context** Steve Jamieson, CEO Royal College Speech and Language Therapy
3. **Key issues in language health** Professor Karen Bryan OBE
4. **The ATLAS Leiden Declaration: Think Language First** Professor María J Arche
5. **Language ability as the gateway to attainment and well-being** Discussion panel
 Dr Alexandra Perovic, (UCL), chair
 Professor Joao Costa, Linguist and Minister of Education from Portugal
 Mr Diz Minnitt, SEND and Speech and Language Lead for Association of YOT Managers (AYM),
 Head of Youth Justice and Support Service, Milton Keynes
 Ms Carol-Ann Murray, Associate Director - Learning Disability and Autism at NHS South
 East London
 Ms Sara Pennington, HM Inspectorate of Prisons
 Ms Louisa Reeves, Speech and Language UK
 Ms Sharon Gray, Youth Justice Board
 Justice Renate Winter, President of UN Committee of the Rights of the Child
6. **Comments** Dr Lana Peto (President of council for juveniles on High Criminal
 Court of Republic Croatia) and Professor George Tsoulas (President Linguistics
 Association of Great Britain, LAGB)
7. **Q & A**
8. **Closing remarks** Lord Boateng
6. **Tea and networking**

The manifesto has been endorsed by leading organisations including:



About us

The Manifesto has been written by the ATLAS team (María J. Arche, Angeliek van Hout, Alexandra Perovic, Josep Quer, Jeannette Schaeffer and Petra Schulz) and collaborators (Anne Baker, Karen Bryan, Ellen Gerrits, Jean Gross and Derek Munn).

