

NEW DIRECTIONS

Connecting Contexts

Linking assessment, learning, and language use



New Directions Lobby

Lobby Guide

New Directions East Asia 2020 Online

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New Directions Lobby

The New Directions Lobby is our event platform. In the lobby you will be able to:

- access the webinar rooms
- network with other attendees
- post your thoughts, ideas and questions about this year's themes and discussions
- discuss conference topics with other attendees
- share your insights into and activities related to language assessment



TIP:

Use Google Chrome, Firefox, Safari, or Internet Explorer browsers for the best experience.

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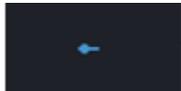
Navigation

Navigate around the lobby using the side panel menu on the left of your screen. The menu options are:

- Dashboard
- My Profile
- Communities
- My Actions (not active for 2020)
- My Posts
- My Favourites
- My History



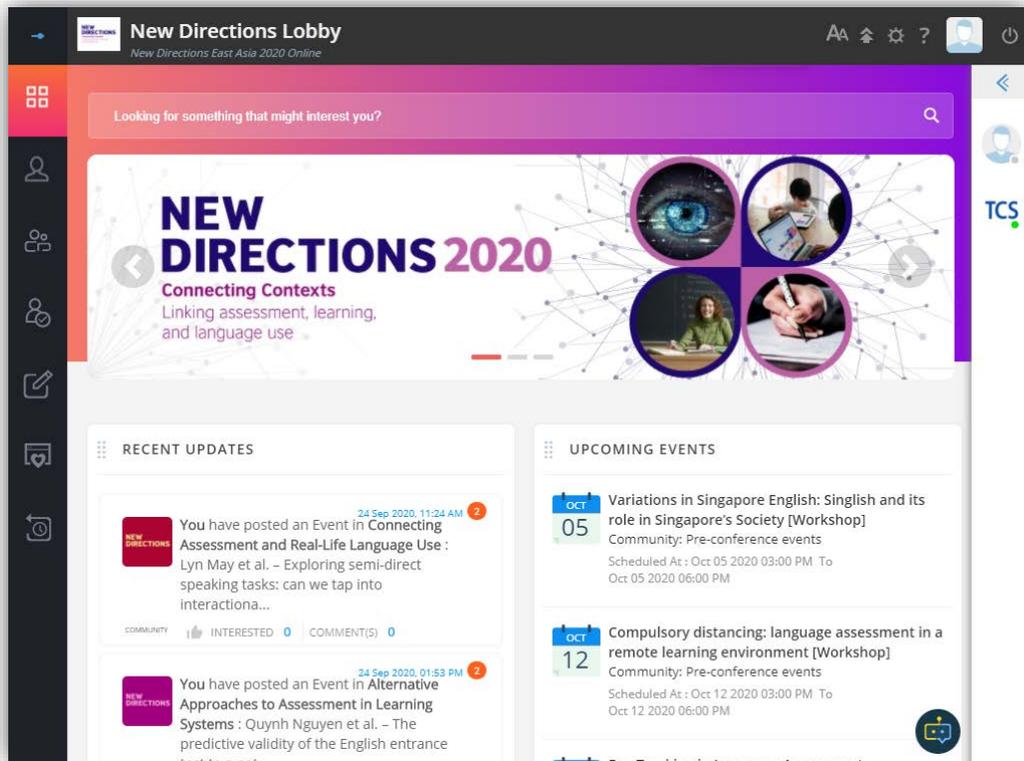
TIP:



Use the small blue switch icon at the top of the menu to expand the menu view

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This is the lobby home page. Here you can:

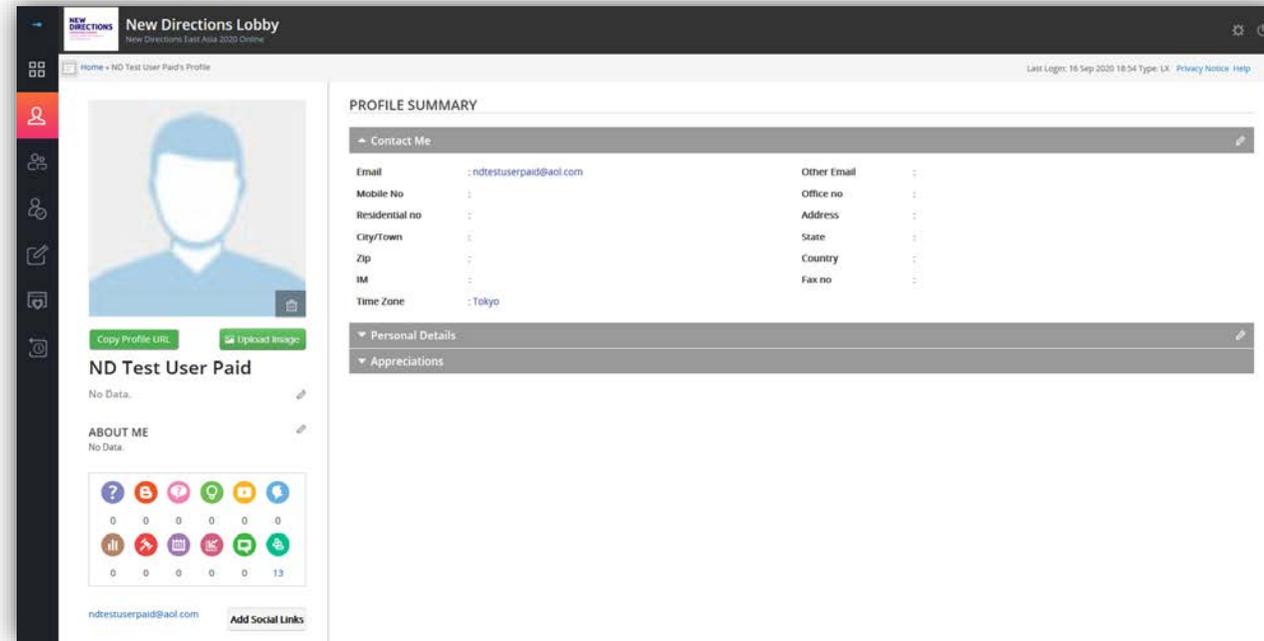
- See recent posts and comments in the communities
- See upcoming conference events (webinars)

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My Profile

This is your profile page. Other attendees can view this page. Here you can:

- Add your profile picture
- Update your contact details
- Update your social media information
- Indicate your job role and interests



TIP:



Your email address is automatically displayed to enable log in. If you don't want other attendees to see this you can delete it from your profile.

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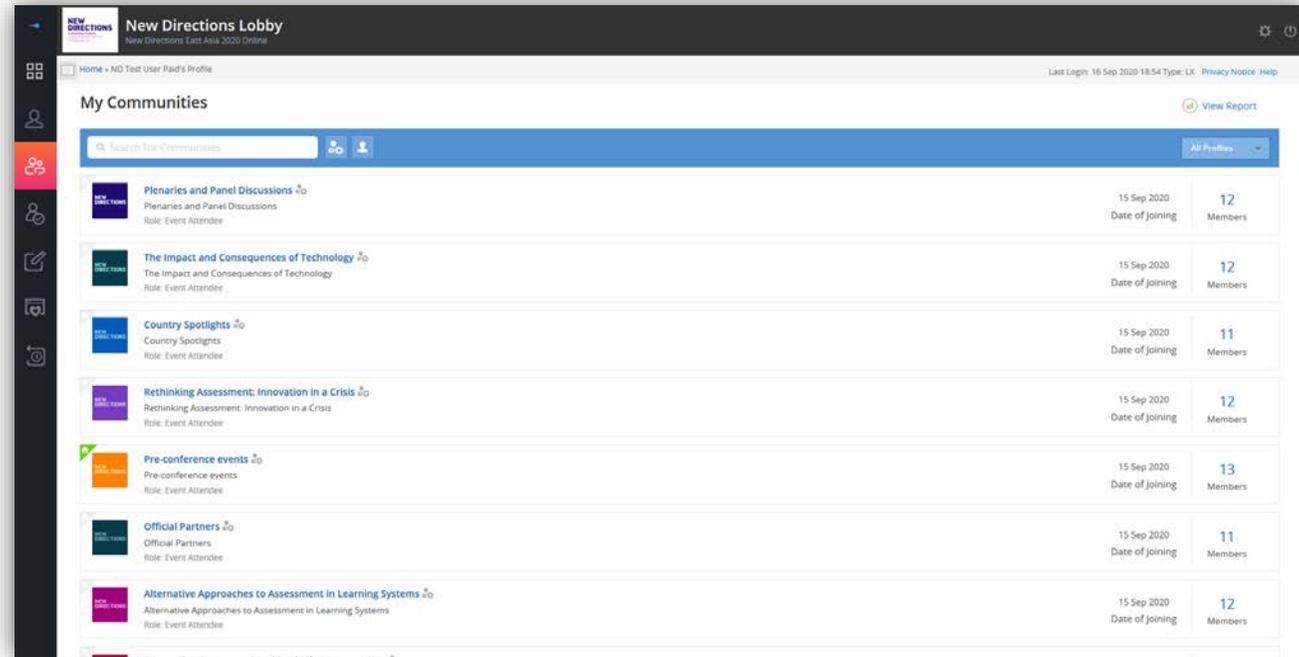
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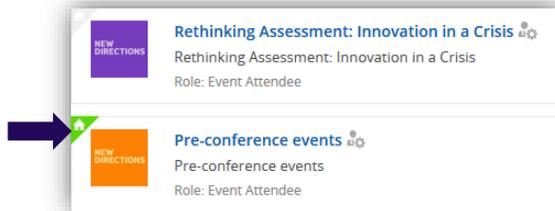
My Communities

Our communities represent different themes and areas of the conference. Here you can:

- Enter the different communities
- Post and comment on different ideas in each community
- Access the webinar rooms



TIP:



Click the small triangle icon to set your default community – the 'home' button will take you back to this community

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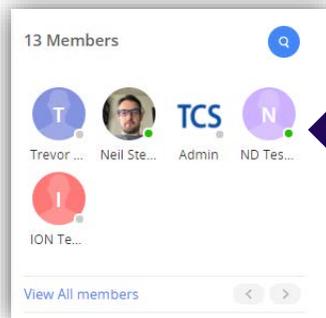
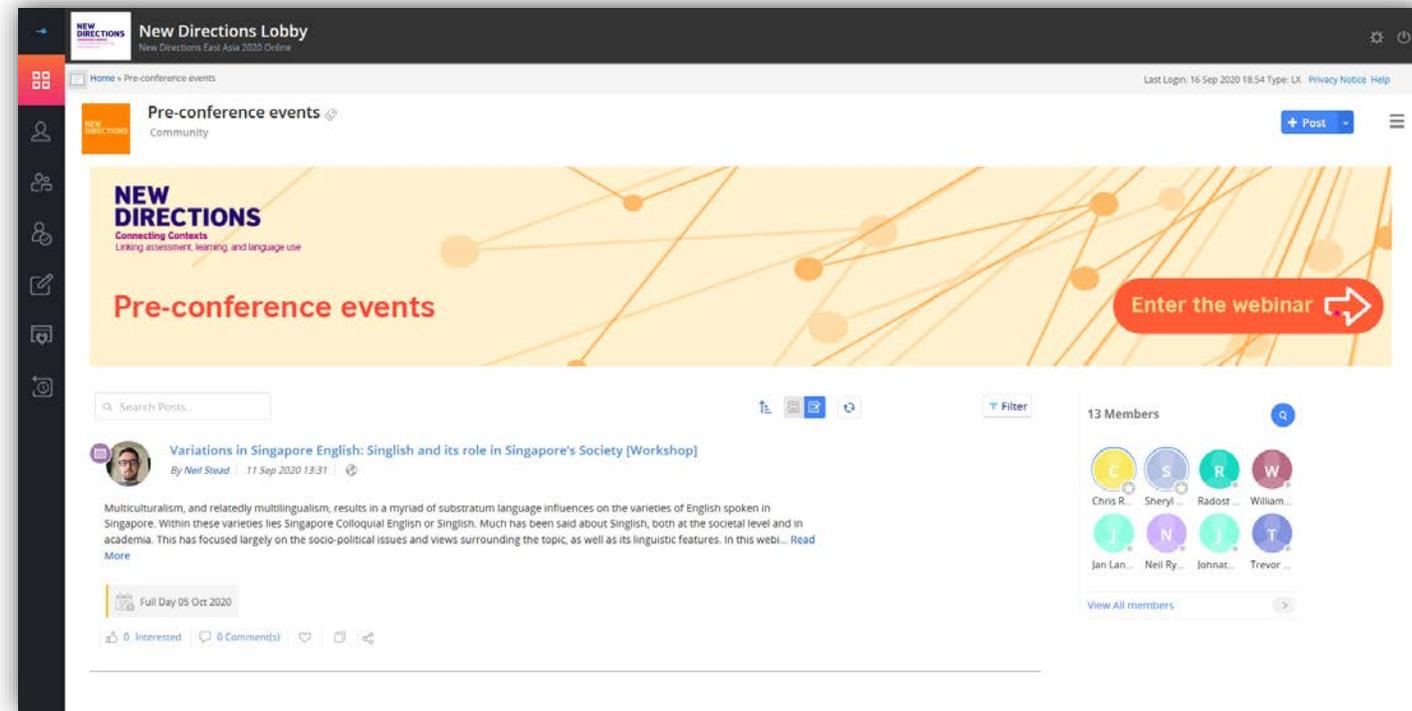
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After entering a community, you will see the community banner at the top, with a link to the relevant webinar room. The webinar room will only be accessible when events are taking place.

Scroll down and you can see the different events, schedules, and attendee posts in the community.



TIP:

On the right hand side, you can also see other attendees who have access to this community. If they are online, they will have a green icon.

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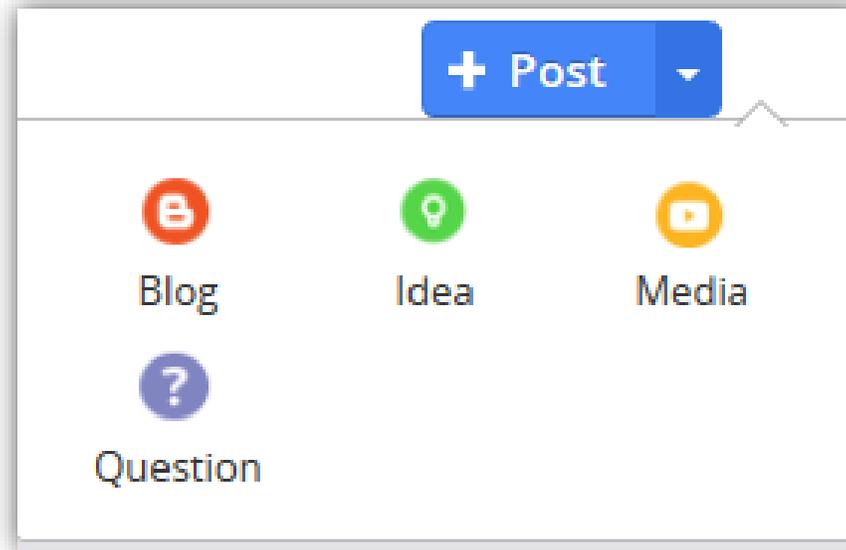
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Using the post function at the top of the page, you can post your thoughts in the community. There are 4 options:

- Blog
- Idea
- Media
- Question



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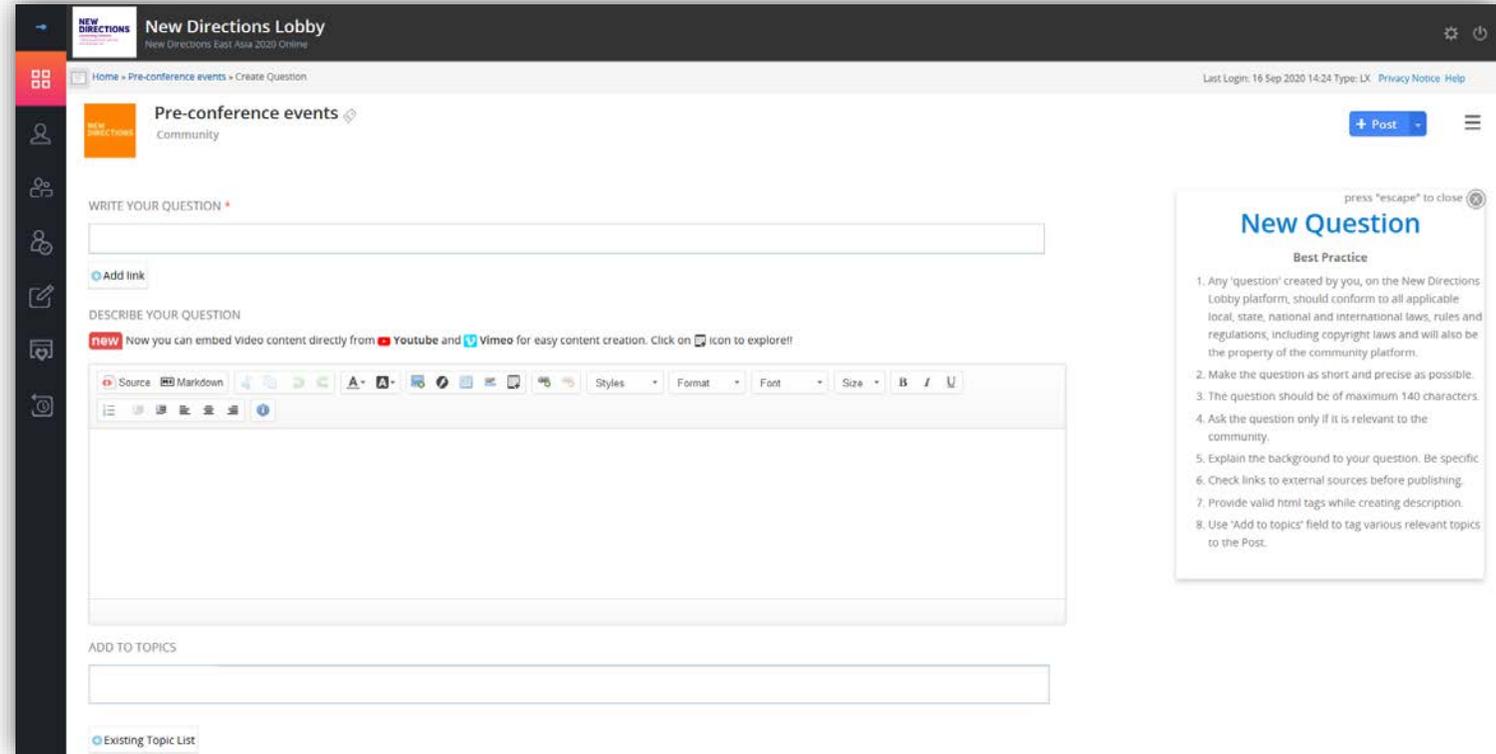
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Post a blog, idea, or question. Using these 3 functions you can:

Use the top field to input your title, question, or idea



Write a description for your idea, or question and write out your blog post in the main field



Tag to a topic or create a new topic

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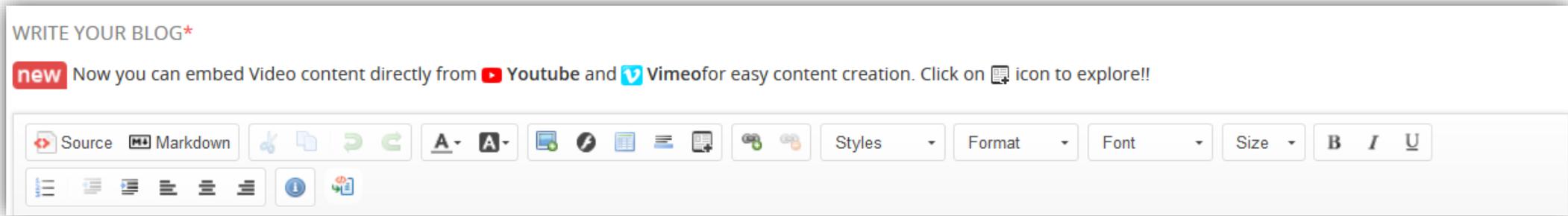


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Use the rich formatting to format your blog, question, or idea. Using these functions you can:

- Embed links, videos and flash
- Format text as in a word processing document
- Use HTML to format your post

Any difficulties, go to the Helpdesk community and post your question for the community or contact us directly

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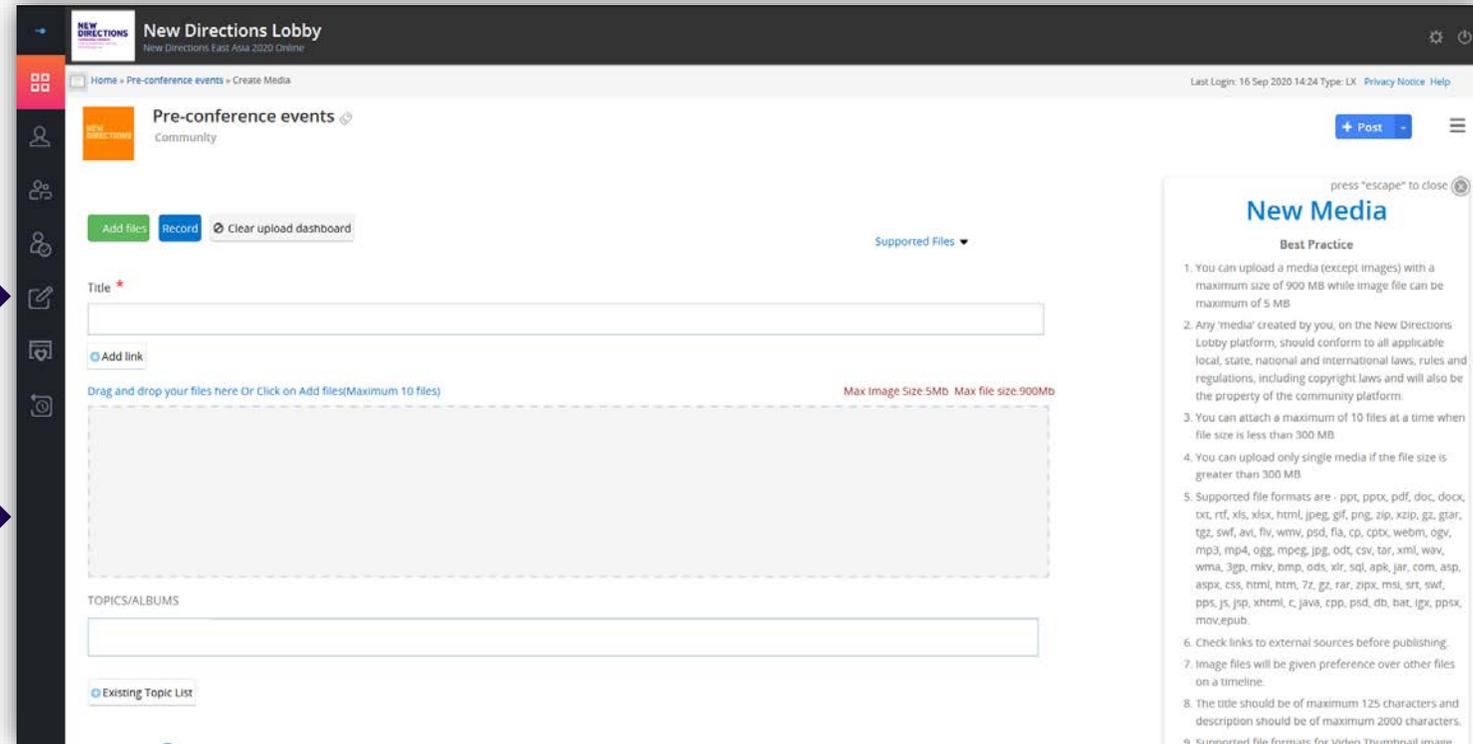
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Post media. Using this function you can:

Use the top field to input the media title



Upload by dragging and dropping or using the green “add files” button in the top-left



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2 ways to view the conference schedule in My Communities

Search Posts...

 Schedule: 5th - 29th October
By Neil Stead | 19 Sep 2020 14:33

1. Search for "Schedule" to see the daily schedule

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Pre-conference events

Mon 5th October 15:00
Variations in Singapore English: Singlish and its role in Singapore's Society [Workshop]

Mon 12th October 15:00
Compulsory distancing: language assessment in a remote learning environment [Workshop]

Fri 16th October 20:00
Symposium on Eye-Tracking in Language Assessment

Fri 23rd October 15:00
Recent research into and application of technology in

2. Filter 'All Posts' for 'Event' to see individual webinar details and times for the community

Search Posts... Filter

All Posts Recent Time Topics Authors File Types

LISTED BY: EVENT x

 **Variations in Singapore English and its role in Singapore's Society [Workshop]**
By Neil Stead | 11 Sep 2020 12:31

Multiculturalism, and relatedly multilingualism, re... of substratum language influences on the varieties of English spoken in... or Singlish. Much has been said about Singlish, both at the societal level and in... d views surrounding the topic, as well as its linguistic features. In this webi... Read

05 Oct 2020 03:00PM - 05 Oct 2020 05:00PM

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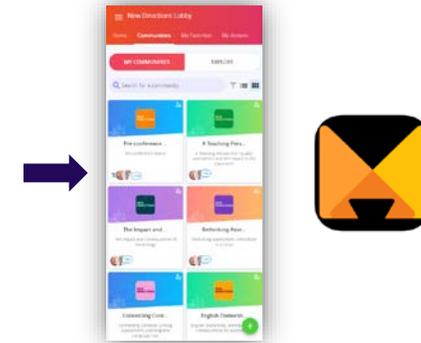
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TIP: The smartphone version has a different layout but the communities and webinar access locations remain the same. You can use your phone's browser or download the "mTop" smart device application from your app store for best results.

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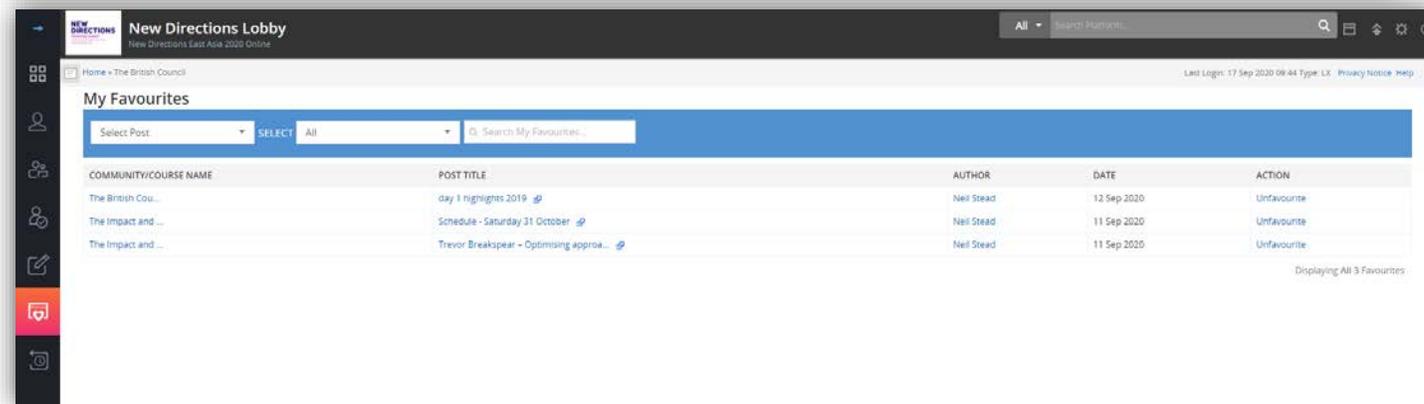
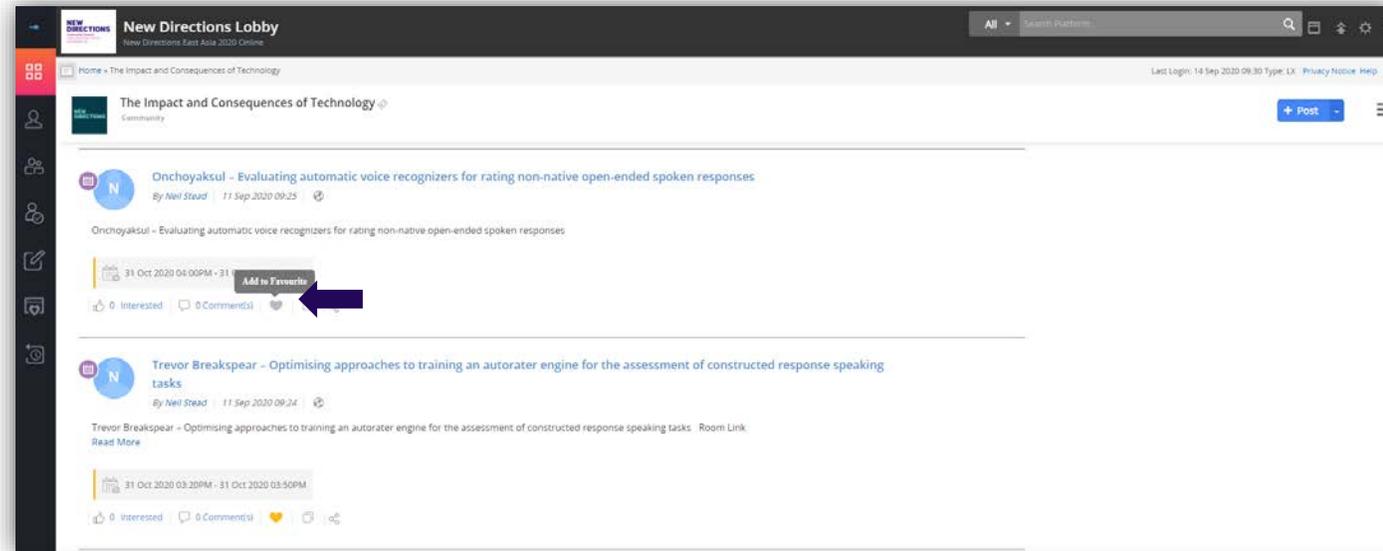


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Click the 'heart' icon in a post in the communities to add it to your favourites

Go to the My Favourites page to see your favourites listed and access them again



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See your lobby browsing history in the My History page

| DATE | COMMUNITY/COURSE NAME | ACTION | POST TITLE |
|-------------------|-----------------------|----------------|-----------------------|
| 17 Sep 2020 04:18 | The British Council | Create Enabler | test |
| 17 Sep 2020 04:18 | The British Council | View Community | The British Council |
| 17 Sep 2020 04:18 | The British Council | View Community | The British Council |
| 17 Sep 2020 04:15 | Pre-conference events | View Community | Pre-conference events |
| 17 Sep 2020 04:15 | Pre-conference events | View Community | Pre-conference events |
| 17 Sep 2020 04:15 | The British Council | View Community | The British Council |
| 17 Sep 2020 04:15 | The British Council | View Community | The British Council |
| 17 Sep 2020 02:45 | Helpdesk | View Community | Helpdesk |
| 17 Sep 2020 02:45 | Helpdesk | View Community | Helpdesk |
| 17 Sep 2020 02:45 | Pre-conference events | View Community | Pre-conference events |
| 17 Sep 2020 02:44 | Pre-conference events | View Community | Pre-conference events |
| 17 Sep 2020 02:13 | Pre-conference events | View Community | Pre-conference events |
| 17 Sep 2020 02:13 | Pre-conference events | View Community | Pre-conference events |
| 17 Sep 2020 02:13 | The British Council | View Community | The British Council |
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Helpdesk is there to help

Any platform questions? Post a query or question in the helpdesk community; a moderator will respond to your post.



Contact us if you are not able to get a satisfactory response.

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