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Abstract

In an increasingly globalising and moving world and in geopolitical areas like the European Union (EU), the individual is called to develop an **evolving individual bilingualism** (as we will call it), since s/he must communicate with *other, unfamiliar, foreign* people in an *other, unfamiliar, foreign* lingua franca: the English language.

In this paper, we will first define the observed evolving individual bilingualism, and then clarify questions directly to with this new kind of bilingualism. Finally, we will venture to illustrate the complex, multi-leveled and multi-sided interrelatedness between evolving individual bilingualism and globalisation through certain variables such as individual's mobility, individual's sojourn and the lingua franca.

Should this evolving individual bilingualism be identified and be studied in depth by educationalists, policy makers, with the aid of Linguistics and Translation Studies, it will open the floor for a better and more flexible foreign language learning and teaching in the Language Centres of the European Universities, and will promote a bilingual education across the EU. (162 words)

Key words: evolving individual bilingualism, mobility, unfamiliar (unheimlich), *lingua franca* (English), globalisation, EU, individual's sojourn, directionality.

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