

39th Poznań Linguistic Meeting

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PLM2008 2nd Circular

The leitmotif of the 39th PLM will be “**Language, brain and mind: Recent linguistic, neurolinguistic and psycholinguistic perspectives**”. Proposals of papers related to this main theme, as well as to other fields of modern linguistics, are invited.

Keynote speakers

- Andrew Breeze (University of Navarra)
- Roberto R. Heredia (Texas A & M International University)
- Elena Lieven (Max Planck Institute for Evolutionary Anthropology, Leipzig)
- Tobias Scheer (University of Nice)
- Steven L. Small (University of Chicago)
- Michal Starke (University of Tromsø)

Special events

- John C. Wells (University College London) will present the latest edition of the **Longman Pronunciation Dictionary** (2008).
- Katarzyna Dziubalska-Kolaczyk will lead a special teach-in session **Natural Phonology: the origin, development and state-of-the art**. Speakers confirmed so far: Patricia Donegan & David Stampe, Wolfgang U. Dressler, Miren Lourdes Oñederra.

The aim of this special session is to provide a thorough but concise overview of the main assumptions of the theory of Natural Phonology to an audience who have not been introduced to the theory or who need to refresh or expand their knowledge on the topic. The origins and main ‘basics’ of Natural Phonology in the production-perception interaction area will be presented by the founders of the theory themselves, David Stampe and Patricia Donegan. Major European elaboration of the theory will also be introduced by its author, Wolfgang U. Dressler. Some other extensions of the framework will be reported by other followers of Natural Phonology. The highlight of this special session will be exactly the presence of the founders of the theory which will ensure first-hand, authentic and original presentation and interaction.

Workshop sessions

- African languages in advance: Language technology and acquisition (Organisers: Karien Brits & Aleksandra Cichocka)
- Scope of theory and practice in contemporary Celtic Studies (Organiser: Sabine Heinz)
- Clinical linguistics (Organisers: Yishai Tobin & Monika Połczyńska)
- Discourses of identity (Organisers: Péter Bodor & Małgorzata Fabiszak)
- Historical answers to synchronic questions (Organisers: Joanna Bugaj & Nikolaus Ritt)
- Language and religious beliefs (Organisers: Muhammad-Reza Fakh-Rohani & Małgorzata Haładewicz-Grzelak)
- Variable shape templates in morpho-syntax and phonology (Organisers: Tobias Scheer & Grzegorz Michalski)
- Linguistic processing in bi- and multilinguals (Organisers: Anna Cieślicka & Anna Ewert)

Papers for these sessions are warmly invited as well as papers in any other area of linguistics not yet covered by the sessions proposed so far.

Note that to submit to these workshop sessions, you need to contact their respective organisers. Papers submitted outside the workshop sessions will be organised into suitable thematic sessions by the PLM Organising Committee. Please visit our website for more detailed abstract submission guidelines.

Important dates

Submission deadline for all abstracts: 1st May 2008

Notification of acceptance: 1st June 2008

Cost of the conference

The conference fee is 300 Euros and includes:

- Accommodation at the conference venue
- All meals
- Transport from/to Poznań (a bus will be available to take you to Gniezno and back)
- The conference banquet (12 September 2008)
- Conference materials, tea/coffee etc.

For more information concerning the cost of the conference, please visit our website.

Venue

Collegium Europaeum Gnesnense is located in the city of **Gniezno**. The main CEG building has lecture halls, computer labs, and offices. The CEG campus also contains a dining-hall and a dormitory with single and double rooms, each with a private bathroom. The campus is located within walking distance (20 minutes) from the city centre. Accommodation in a high-standard hotel in the city centre is also available.

Gniezno is a city of about 70,000 inhabitants, located some 50 km east of Poznań. It boasts a history of over a thousand years, having been the first capital of Poland in the 10th and 11th centuries. The city centre contains the magnificent 14th-century Gniezno Cathedral, while several tourist routes traverse the surrounding scenic countryside.

Looking forward to seeing you in Gniezno!

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