

CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

Day 1: Thursday, 8th June

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| 09.00 – 09.15 | Welcome tea/coffee |
| 09.15 – 09.30 | - Introduction |
| 09.30 – 11.00 | - Bantu word order between discourse and syntactic relations
<i>Elisabeth J. Kerr, Allen Asiimwe, Patrick Kanampiu, Zhen Li, Ernest Nshemezimana, Jenneke van der Wal (BaSIS)</i> |
| | - IAV effects in Southern Bantu
<i>Hlumela Mkabile (UFS) & Kristina Riedel (UFS)</i> |
| | - Disjoint/conjoint alternation and the focus position in Xichangana
<i>Fábio Bonfim Duarte (PG-UFMG) & David Seth Langa (Universidade Eduardo Mondlane)</i> |
| 11.00 – 11.30 | Break |
| 11.30 – 12.30 | - Functional properties of the particle -o in eastern Bantu languages
<i>Patrick Kanampiu, Allen Asiimwe, Amani Lusekelo, Ernest Nshemezimana, Jenneke van der Wal (BaSIS)</i> |
| | - Morphology and information structure in the comparative analysis of additive focus marking
<i>Hannah Gibson (University of Essex) & Lutz Marten (SOAS University of London)</i> |
| 12.30 – 14.00 | Lunch |
| 14.00 – 15.30 | - Focus fronting in all-new utterances: Syntax-information structure mismatching?
<i>Paul Roger Bassong & Edmond Ossoko (University of Yaounde I)</i> |
| | - No FAT and not a LOT: Verum focus in Nguni
<i>Jochen Zeller (University of KwaZulu-Natal) & Eva-Marie Bloom Ström (University of Gothenburg)</i> |
| | - The structure of clausal exclamatives in Kirundi
<i>Willie Myers (McGill University)</i> |
| 15.30 – 16.00 | Break |
| 16.00 – 17.30 | - Predicate focus in embedded clauses in Kisubi
<i>John Gluckman (University of Kansas) & Cyprian Vumilia (St. Augustine University of Tanzania)</i> |

- **Predicate doubling and information structure in eastern Bantu languages**
Amani Lusekelo, Allen Asimwe, Patrick Kanampiu, Nelsa Nhantumbo, Ernest Nshemezimana, Jenneke van der Wal (BaSIS)

- **Discussion**

19.00 – 22.00 Conference Dinner

Day 2: Friday, 9th June

08.45 – 09.00 Welcome tea/coffee

- **Plenary: Information Structure as a Syntactic Property**
Michael Diercks (Pomona College)

- **Information structure and syntax in Teke**
Zhen Li (BaSIS)

- **Expressing information structure in Laali Syntax**
Robson Perrin Mberi Ngakala (Marien Ngouabi University)

11.00 – 11.30 Break

- **The (non-)influence of information structure on Tunen syntax**
Elisabeth J. Kerr (BaSIS)

- **Licensing of information structure in Kenyang**
Florence Tabe Oben (University of Yaounde I)

12.30 – 14.00 Lunch

- **From focus marker to default declarative marker: The unexpected evolution of the copula *nɪ in Kilimanjaro Bantu**
Gérard Philippon (INALCO, DDL Lyon) & Rozenn Guérois (CNRS LLACAN)

- **Kirundi focus-fronting and non-verbal predication**
Terrance Gatchalian (McGill University)

- **Strategies for exhaustive focus marking in Hehe**
Simon Msovela (University of Gothenburg)

15.30 – 16.00 Break

- **The applicative and the focalization of event location in Rundi (Bantu JD62)**
Manoah-Joël Misago† (deceased), Ernest Nshemezimana (University of Burundi), Koen Bostoen (Ghent University) & Sara Pacchiarotti (Ghent University)

- **Two analyses of eastern Bantu reverse pseudoclefts**
Ernest Nshemezimana, Allen Asimwe, Patrick Kanampiu, Amani Lusekelo, Nelsa Nhantumbo, Jenneke van der Wal (BaSIS)
- **Discussion & Closing**

Drinks!