

TheorLing 2021

Theoretical linguistics in the light of the interaction of qualitative and quantitative approaches

International Symposium
University of Neuchâtel

The conference will be held in a hybrid way. Participation in presence and online are both possible options.

Dates

21st and 22nd of June 2021.

About the program:

Opening session by Francesca Dell'Oro and Corinne Rossari.

Invited speakers: one hour slot (45 minutes + 15 minutes for questions).

Participants: 30 minutes slot (20 minutes + 10 minutes for questions).

The language of the presentations can be either French or English.

Webex link for online sessions:

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Location of the conference: Espace Tilo-Frey 1, Room R.N.02 (2000 Neuchâtel)

Program

Monday 21st June

9h15 Welcome & coffee at the “Café des Amis” (Quai Robert-Comtesse 4, 2000 Neuchâtel) Website: <http://cafedesamisneuchatel.ch/>

Morning session (09.45 – 12.45)

09.45 **Opening:** Francesca Dell’Oro and Corinne Rossari

Chair: Francesca Dell’Oro

10.00 **Bernhard Waelchli** (Stockholm University) – online

Theory of similarity: three different kinds of “topic markers”, a corpus approach to typology

11.00 **Maria Kholodilova, Natalia Logvinova, Sofia Oskolskaya** (St. Petersburg University / Institute for Linguistic Studies, Russian Academy of Sciences) – in presence

Syntactically conditioned word-initial voicing in poshkart chuvash

11.30 – 11.45 Break

Chair: Linda Sanvido

11.45 **Costas Gabrielatos** (Edge Hill University) – online

A corpus-based comparison of the explanatory power of linguistic theories: The case of the modal load in if-conditionals

12.15 **Rania Nayef Al-Aqarbeh** (Mu'tah University) – online

Resumption and Islands in Jordanian Arabic

12.45 – 14.15 Lunch break

Afternoon session (14.15 – 17.00)

Chair: Corinne Rossari

14.15 **Sascha Diwersy** (Université Paul-Valéry Montpellier III) – in presence

The company it keeps... Collocation, combinatorial profiles and the similarity of meaning

15.15 **Federica Beghini** (Université Cote d'Azur, CNRS, BCL) – online

Compilation des corpus pour l'analyse stylistique intégrée d'une œuvre littéraire

15.45 – 16.00 Break

Chair: Claudia Ricci

16.00 **Guillaume Guex** (Université de Lausanne) – in presence

Diachronic Word Embedding Methods: a comparative study for digital humanities and computational linguistic researchers

16.30 Ludovic Moncla, Denis Vigier, Katherine McDonoug, Alice Brenon, et Thierry Joliveau

(Institut National des Sciences Appliquées de Lyon / Université Lumière Lyon II) – online

Combinaison d’approches qualitative et quantitative pour le repérage et la classification des entités nommées dans l’Encyclopédie de Diderot et d’Alembert (1751-1772)

Tuesday 22nd June

Morning session (10.30 – 12.45)

Chair: Helena Bermúdez-Sabel

10.30 Barbara McGillivray (Alan Turing Institute & Cambridge University) – online

Modelling lexical semantic change using quantitative approaches: from Ancient Greek to emoji

11.30 Essa Ali Batel (University of Arizona) – online

Formulaic Expressions Processing in the First and Second Language

12.00 – 12.15 Break

Chair: Paola Marongiu

12.15 Eleni Karantzola & Yannis Kostopoulos (University of the Aegean) – online

Reformulations as a diagnostic tool for corpora representativity

12.45 Dario Compagno (Université Paris Nanterre) – online

Is a Finalistic Interpretation of Statistical Correlations Possible? Some Theoretical Reflections Starting from the Analysis of a Conversation Corpus

13.15 – 14.45 Lunch break

Afternoon session (14.45 – 16.00)

Chair: Cyrielle Montrichard

14.45 **Alizée Lombard, Lucie Barque, Doriane Gras, Richard Huyghe** (Université de Fribourg) –
in presence

*Regular polysemy and novel word-sense identification: An experimental approach to
neological intuition*

15.15 **Tristan Purvis** (American University of Afghanistan) – online

Variation in relative clause constructions in Dagbani

15.50 -16.30 Closing session & general discussion

Jessica Chessex & Aylin Pamuksaç

16.30 The participants are invited to share a drink at the “Café des Amis”