







Dear Colleagues,

You are kindly invited to participate in the international research conference:

CONCEPTUAL FOUNDATIONS OF LANGUAGE AND LANGUAGES

24th - 25th October 2024

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The conference is dedicated to the study and consideration of language from a cognitive perspective. Since its birth, cognitive linguistics has almost always emphasised the relationship between language and conceptual structure as the basis of meaning. Drawing on the empirical research of cognitive psychologists and the observations of philosophers of language, cognitive linguists have created a new cognitive paradigm based on the so-called cognitive commitment, which treats language as a product of embodied human cognition and cognitive processes such as categorisation, schematisation, concept formation based on cognitive domains, intra- and inter-domain mapping, conceptual integration and intersubjectivity. Although these processes are universal, they may occur differently in different languages, leading to major differences.

Our conference aims to provide an opportunity to learn about new research in these core areas of cognitive linguistics and explore new concepts and theories about the relationship between cognitive structures and linguistic forms in particular languages or language types.

The problems and areas of research we intend to focus on are as follows:

- Categorisation, its levels, and representations.
- > Image schemas as a basis for conceptualisation;
- > Iconicity of language.
- ➤ The Great Chain of Being and its significance for language.
- ➤ Domains, models and cognitive frameworks in thought and language.
- Metaphor and metonymy in semantics, grammar, and discourse.
- Polysemy in morphology, lexical semantics, and construction grammar.
- Semantic (lexical) relations from a cognitive perspective.
- Conceptual and constructional alternations.
- ➤ Information structure in grammar and discourse.
- Discourse as the basis of language structure.
- Social contexts in the creation of meaning.
- Linguistic creativity in morphology, lexis, and syntax.

We look forward to contrastive, confrontative, and comparative contributions in English, German, Polish, and other languages. We are also happy to accept proposals on other topics in cognitive linguistics.

We are also proud to announce the keynote speakers:

Prof. Jeanette Littlemore (University of Birmingham, UK),

Prof. F. Ruiz de Mendoza (University of Logroño, Spain)

Prof. Beate Hampe (University of Erfurt, Germany).

Languages of the conference: English, German, Polish

Please register your participation in the conference and the topic of your contribution by 31st May 2024 at https://forms.gle/swmqJ5yAtK4nvgTU9

Conference venue: Institute of Linguistics, Jan Dlugosz University in Czestochowa,

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The conference will also be broadcast online.

Conference fee: PLN 500 (€ 120)

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We are looking forward to meeting you in Czestochowa!

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