

# 50th Colloquium on African Languages and Linguistics Programme

## 31st August - 2nd September, 2020

### General scheme

All times are Amsterdam time, CEST (UTC +2)

Monday morning: General session with 7 presentations. Online coffee break  
 Monday afternoon: 2 parallel workshop sessions: Sign languages and Bantu 1  
 Monday evening: African Poetry and Language Arts Evening event  
 Tuesday morning: General session with 7 presentations. Online coffee break with special event  
 Tuesday morning: 2 parallel workshop sessions: Language and society and Bantu 2  
 Wednesday morning: General session with 7 presentations. Online coffee break  
 Wednesday afternoon: 2 parallel workshop session sessions: Tone and sessions on Covid-19 and Language politics  
 16:30 Final closing session

### Monday 31st August

**General session**      **Chair: Maarten Mous**

8:45-9:00              Opening and Welcome

09:00-09:30      [Hilde Gunnink](#)                      Ghent University  
 Avoidance registers and language contact in Southern Africa

9:30-10:00      [Roger Blench](#)                              McDonald Institute for Archaeological Research, University of Cambridge  
 The South Bauchi languages of Central Nigeria: a fresh overview based on recent fieldwork

10:00-10:30      [Samuel Awinkene Atintono](#)              Accra College of Education, Ghana  
 Verbal Particles in Gurene and their grammatical functions

10:30-11:00                                      Online coffee break

11:00-11:30      [Kolawole Adeniyi](#)                              Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife, Nigeria  
 An experimental study of vocal emotions in Yoruba

11:30-12:00      [Andrew Harvey](#) & [Richard Griscom](#)      Leiden University  
 Who are the Hadza? A linguistic perspective

12:00-12:30      [Divine N. Ndimofor](#)                              University of Buea-Cameroon  
 Oral Literature of the Akum people: The Folksong and Cultural Elements

12:30-13:00      [Suzana Fong](#)                                      The Massachusetts Institute of Technology  
 Feature licensing and the number interpretation of bare nominals in Wolof

13:00-14:00      Lunch break

14:00-16:30      Two parallel workshops sessions: Sign Linguistics and Bantu 1

19:30                      Evening programme: African Poetry and Language Arts Evening

**Workshop Session #1: Sign linguistics**                                      **Chair: Victoria Nyst**

14:00-14:30	<a href="#">Mary Edward</a> & Pamela Perniss	Simultaneous constructions in Ghanaian Sign Language (GSL) and Adamorobe Sign Language (AdaSL)	University of Brighton & University of Cologne
14:30-15:00	<a href="#">Timothy Mac Hadjah</a>	Number Marking in Ghanaian Sign Language	Leiden University
15:00-15:30	<a href="#">Marta Morgado</a> & <a href="#">Victoria Nyst</a>	The role of facial expression in size and shape specifiers in two west African village sign languages	Leiden University
15:30-16:00	<a href="#">Mariana Martins</a> and <a href="#">Victoria Nyst</a>	Gestural substrate in West African sign languages	Leiden University

**Workshop Session #2: Bantu 1**    **Chair: Maarten Mous**

14:00-14:30	<a href="#">Zhen Li</a>	Relative constructions and agreement in Teke-Kukuya (Bantu B77)	Leiden University
14:30-15:00	<a href="#">Ronaldo Rodrigues de Paula</a>	Non-canonical passives in Shimakonde	Universidade Federal de Minas Gerais
15:00-15:30	<a href="#">Sebastian Dom</a>	The Causative-Anticausative Alternation in Kagulu, a Tanzanian Language from Morogoro	University of Gothenburg
15:30-16:00	<a href="#">Daniel Duke</a>	The many uses of the particle "yo" in Gyele (Bantu A80)	Leiden University and SIL Cameroon
16:00-16:30	<a href="#">Allen Asimwe</a> & <a href="#">Jenneke van der Wal</a>	Counterexpectation: the multifunctionality of -o in Rukiga	Makerere University and Leiden University

## Tuesday 1st September

### General session

Chair: Maarten Mous

- 09:00-09:30 [Chris Reintges](#) CNRS/LLF & Université de Paris  
Grammatical Agreement versus Pronoun Incorporation: The Early Egyptian Stative Inflectional Paradigm
- 9:30-10:00 [Tamara Prischneegg](#) Universität Wien, Institut für Orientalistik  
Insights into the morphology of Meroitic
- 10:00-10:30 [Nada Faisal Youisif Mohammed](#) Lecturer, Department of Linguistic, University of Khartoum  
Kaaral phonemes
- 10:30-11:00 Online coffee break & Presentation 50 years CALL
- 11:00-11:30 [Mirella Blum](#) University of Edinburgh  
Inflection is marked for constituent order in Dinka
- 11:30-12:00 [Hasiyatu Abubakari](#) University of Professional Studies, Accra  
Noun Class System of Kusaal: A case of Semantic Network of Association
- 12:00-12:30 [Samuel Alhassan Issah](#) and [Hasiyatu Abubakari](#) University of Education, Winneba; University of Professional Studies, Accra  
Long Distance Dependencies in Dagbani and Kusaal
- 12:30-13:00 [Renee Lambert-Bretiere](#) University of Maryland, Baltimore County  
The grammar of smelling in Fon
- 13:00-14:00 Lunch break

14:00-16:30 *Afternoon workshops* Two parallel workshop sessions: Language and Society, and Bantu 2

### Workshop Session #1: Language and society

Chair: Maarten Mous

14:00-14:30	<a href="#">Ababila, James Azure</a>	<del>Proverbs and Conflict Management in Ghana: A study of selected Gurene proverbs and proverbial expressions</del>	University of Education, Winneba
14:30-15:00	Nwankwo Chinazom Chinyere	A Discourse Analysis of selected Proverbs for social construction of power on women in Igbo land	Federal College of Education Obudu, Cross River State, Nigeria.
15:00-15:30	<a href="#">Nicholas Obeng Agyekum</a>	The Sociolinguistics Analysis of Pet Names in Akan	University of Education Winneba
15:30-16:00	<a href="#">Erhahon Ivie Betty</a> and Aigbogun Sandra Osasenaga	Traditional Fact-Finding In Edo State Of Southern Nigeria	National Council for Arts And Culture, Nigeria
16:00-16:30	<a href="#">Olushola Bamidele Are</a>	An Assessment of Language Rights Compliance in Court Sessions in Nigeria	Adekunle Ajasin University, Akungba-Akoko. Nigeria

### Workshop Session #2: Bantu 2

Chair: Elisabeth Kerr

14:00-14:30	<a href="#">Jenneke van der Wal</a> & <a href="#">Patrick Kanampiu</a>	What we Found is (not just) a Focus Construction [Handout]	Leiden University & Tharaka University College
14:30-15:00	<a href="#">Patrick N. Kanampiu</a>	Expression of Objects in Kĩtharaka	Tharaka University College
15:00-15:30	<a href="#">Rosa Maria de Lima Ribeiro</a> & Alzenir Mendes Martins de Menezes	L'étymologie et le chemin sémantique du bantuisme brésilien "ganga"	Leiden University
15:30-16:00	<a href="#">Elisabeth Kerr</a>	á, à, ǎ, ò, ǝ, nà ... nà: A puzzle in Tunen (Bantu, A44) [Handout]	Leiden University
16:00-16:30	<a href="#">Martha Booker Johnson</a>	Ongoing subject marker loss in Kihehe	The Ohio State University

## Wednesday 2nd September

### General session

Chair: Maarten Mous

- 09:00-09:30 [Yannick Romain KONAN](#) University of Geneva  
The implication of the interface syntax-phonology in the creation of compound words in Kode
- 9:30-10:00 [Sara Petrollino](#) LUCL  
Cattle, humans, and the pragmatics of naming practices in Hamar
- 10:00-10:30 [Kerry Jones](#) and [Sanjin Muftic](#) Rhodes University and University of Cape Town  
Curating South African Languages Online: A Linked Data Site Showcasing N|uu and Khoekhoegowab
- 10:30-11:00 Online coffee break
- 11:00-11:30 [Melanie Viljoen](#) La Trobe University; SIL Cameroon  
Varying functions of the comitative preposition ábà in Gavar
- 11:30-12:00 [Kwasi Adomako](#) & [John Odoom](#) University of Education, Winneba  
Progressive vowel harmony in the Gomoa dialect of Fante
- 12:00-12:30 [Isaac Nyarko](#) And [Samuel Amoh](#) University Of Education, Winneba  
The Syntax And Collocations Of Akan Ideophonic Words
- 12:30-13:00 [Jeffrey Heath](#) University of Michigan  
'Come' and 'go' in Tiefó (Burkina Faso) verb-verb compounds

### Afternoon workshops

14:00-16:30 Two parallel workshop sessions: One on Tone and One on Corona Covid-10 and Language politics

16:30: General Closing section

### Workshop Session #1: Tone

Chair: Lis Kerr

15:00-15:30	<a href="#">Tajudeen Mamadou</a> ; Gildas Gondo and <a href="#">Akinbiyi Akinlabi</a>	Tonal Alternation in Dan Gbɛɛwo	Rutgers and FHB University
15:30-16:00	<a href="#">Mathias Sackitey</a> ; <a href="#">Kwasi Adomako</a>	A comparative analysis of tone structures in Akuapem Twi and Asante Twi: An acoustic account	University of Education, Winneba
16:00-16:30	<a href="#">Sharon Rose</a>	Tone patterns of object-marked verbs in Rere	University of California San Diego

### Workshop Session #2: Covid-19 and Communication & Language Politics

Chair: Victoria Nyst

14:00-14:30	<a href="#">Nana Anima Wiafe-Akenten</a> , <a href="#">Kwasi Adomako</a> , <a href="#">Samuel Amoh</a>	The phonological adaptation of some COVID-19-related terms in Akan	University of Education, Winneba
14:30-15:00	<a href="#">Nicholas Obeng Agyekum</a> , <a href="#">Nana Animah Wiafe Akenteng</a> , Lawrence Bosiwa	Analysis of the impact of COVID 19 on some Akan Cultural Practices	University of Education Winneba, University of Education Winneba, University of Cape Coast
15:00-15:30	<a href="#">Aisha Umar Adamu</a>	The impact of Corona virus pandemic on nonverbal communication	Aminu Kano College of Islamic Studies Kano
15:30-16:00	<a href="#">Bert van Pinxteren</a>	The concepts of discerned and designed languages and their relevance for Africa	LUCL / ASCL
16:00-16:30	<a href="#">Mohammed Marzuq Abubakari</a>	The role of African Languages in the development of Science and Technology Education	University of Applied Management, Ghana

16:30 **General closing session:** Evaluation, general questions, looking ahead to WOCAL+ CALL in 2021