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TheorLing 2020

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

International Symposium

University of Neuchâtel

3-4 June 2020

Call for papers:

Extended Deadline for submissions: February 29th 2020

Confirmed keynote speakers:

Barbara McGillivray (Alan Turing Institute & Cambridge University)

Bernhard Wälchli (Stockholm University)

The core interest of this conference is to identify the place of theoretical linguistics in the last decade when the use of quantitative methods in the humanities has grown exponentially. The international conference aims to bring together researchers working on both qualitative research and quantitative analysis taking into account statistical calculations and methods. The expected results are:

- a better understanding of how theoretical linguistics is being rethought in the light of quantitative methods
- a more precise and complete view of the theoretical linguistic reflections behind quantitative linguistics
- a profitable exchange of methods and quantitative tools tested in research already carried out
- an overview of future research prospects in quantitative corpus linguistics
- present and future gains for theoretical linguistics

Submissions should highlight the interaction of theoretical and quantitative linguistics

Possible topics may include:

- modality
- TAM markers
- discourse markers
- cohesion markers
- phraseology

in relation to theoretical questions such as:

- diachronic variation
- genre variation
- linguistic change
- representation of meaning

Proposals, in French or English, must be maximum 500 words (not including bibliography and annexes). They must be sent, together with a short bio-bibliography, to: **theorling2020unine@gmail.com**, by **February 29th 2020** at the latest. Authors of accepted papers will be notified by **March 19th 2020**.

Registration fees: 100 €

After the conference, a selection of contributions will be submitted for publication.

The conference is sponsored by the Faculty of Humanities, Chair of French Linguistics, University of Neuchâtel and by the Faculty of Humanities, Department of Language and Information Sciences, University of Lausanne.

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