



## MPG Linguistic Diversity Meeting

Friday, 9 May 2008

at the MPI-EVA in Leipzig

### **09.00-10.30 Departmental Presentations (Seminar room on 4th floor)**

09.00-09.45

- Michael Cysouw: *Overview of Research Projects at Linguistic Department in Leipzig*
- Susanne Michaelis: *Atlas of Pidgin and Creole Language Structures*
- Andrej Malchukov: *Typology of Ditransitive Constructions*
- Bernard Comrie & Michael Cysouw: *Intercontinental Dictionary Series*
- Martin Haspelmath: *Loanword Typology*
- Sabine Stoll: *Comparative Language Acquisition Research*

09.45-10.30

- Steve Levinson: *Introduction to the MPI Nijmegen and Language and Cognition Group*
- Asifa Majid: *Project overview: Categories and Concepts in Language and Cognition*
- Nick Enfield: *Project overview: Multimodal Interaction*
- Sebastian Fedden: *Field-based research on Mian (PNG)*
- Hilario de Sousa: *Field-based research on Menggwa Dla (PNG)*

### **10.30-11.00 Refreshments (In front of the Seminar room on 4th floor)**

### **11.00-13.00 Patterns in Diversity, Part 1 (Seminar room on 4th floor)**

11.00-12.00

- Brigitte Pakendorf: *Towards a Typology of Language Contact*
- Susanne Michaelis & Martin Haspelmath: *Social Challenges for Cross-Linguistic Databases*
- Michael Cysouw & Martin Haspelmath: *Structural Challenges for Cross-Linguistic Databases*

12.00-13.00

- Tanya Stiver & Nick Enfield: *Language Usage: Uncharted Territory for Linguistic Typology*
- Connie de Vos: *Linguistic functions of pointing in Kata Kolok (a village-based sign language of Bali)*
- Mark Sicoli: *Prosodic signs for shifting participant roles in Zapotec and Oaxacan Spanish*
- Michael Dunn: *Correlated evolutionary change of language structure*

### **13.00-14.30 Lunch (Canteen on ground floor)**

### **14.30-16.30 Patterns in Diversity, Part 2 (Seminar room on 4th floor)**

14.30-15.30

- Bernard Comrie, Diana Forker, Zaira Khalilova: *Microvariation within the Tsezic languages*
- Andrej Malchukov: *Competing motivations and cross-linguistic variation*
- Søren Wichmann: *A universal law of language taxonomics*

15.30-16.30

- Asifa Majid: *Differential ineffability across the senses*
- Gunter Senft: *Ideophones in the wild*
- Sylvia Tufvesson: *Semai expressives: semantics and sensory encoding*
- Mark Dingemans: *Ideophones in the wild*
- Clair Hill: *Documentation of endangered languages and indigenous knowledge in Cape York Peninsula (Australia)*

### **16.30-18.30 Poster Session, a.k.a. drinks (Linguistics Social Area on 1st floor)**

### **19.00-21.00 Dinner (Canteen on ground floor)**