

Ancient and Artificial Languages in Today's Culture



Friday, June 8

14:30 – 16:30 First Panel – Religions, ancient and artificial languages

U.Volli (UniTo) - *Altneue Sprache – L'ebraico di Ben Jehuda e l'esperanto di Zamenhof*
 M.Leone (UniTo) - *How to Plan a Language: a Practical Guide*
 J.Hamrick (LMU) - *Ge'ez (classical Ethiopic) as the Language of Creation*

17:00 – 19:00 Second Panel – Mantras & music: issues of rhythm and meaning

M.Lehnert (LMU) - *Mantric Utterance and the Syllabic Polysemy of the "Language of Brahma"*
 R.Yelle (LMU) - *Frozen Forms: Scriptural Traditions, Magical Thinking, and Fundamentalism*
 S.Stano (UniTo) - *Between Signifiers and Signifieds: The Meaning of Invented Musical Languages*

Saturday, June 9

09:00 – 11:00 Third Panel – Internet languages

B.Surace (UniTo) - *Luigi Serafini, Kunizo Matsumoto, Leos Carax. The Unbridled Meaning of Unsignified Signifiers*
 I.Fiorentini (UnInsubria) - *"ZOMG! DIS IZ A NEW LANGUAGE": The case of Lolspeak (and other Special Internet Language Varieties)*
 V.Idone Cassone (UniTo) - *"Lost in translation". Interacting with invented languages in digital games*

11:30 – 13:00 Fourth Panel – Logics and perfect languages

A.Iacona (UniTo) - *The idea of a logically perfect language*
 A.Bianchi (UniPr) - *The language of thought as a logically perfect language*

14:30 – 16:30 Fifth Panel – Intertextuality, polysemy and multimodality

F.Waquet (Paris - CNRS) - *Les tatouages en latin*
 J.Ponzo (UniTo) - *The representation of Latin and liturgy in 20th-century Italian narrative*
 G.Marino (UniTo) - *Approaching the "meandertale": On the untranslatability of James Joyce's "Finnegans Wake" (and its semiotic consequences)*

17:00 – 19:00 Sixth Panel - Possible wor(l)ds

M.May (LMU) - *Wor(l)d building. Invented languages as a means of designing fictional universes*
 R.Stockhammer (LMU) - *Functions of invented languages for world-building*
 M.Thibault (UniTo) - *Tihlŋan maH! (We are Klingons): Invented languages and fandom*

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