

The Foundations of Linguistics: Languages as Abstract Objects

Workshop organized by Christina Behme & Martin Neef

Location: Braunschweig, Haus der Wissenschaft, Pockelsstr. 11, Raum Veolia, 5th floor

| <i>June 26, 2015</i> | | |
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| 08:30-09:00 | <i>Registration</i> | |
| 09:00-09:15 | Christina Behme & Martin Neef | <i>Introduction</i> |
| 09:15-09:30 | Paul Postal New York University, USA | <i>Greetings and opening remarks (Video)</i> |
| 09:30-10:45 | Geoffrey Pullum University of Edinburgh, UK | <i>What to be realist about in linguistic science</i> |
| 10:45-11:15 | <i>Coffee break</i> | |
| 11:15-12:15 | Armin Burkhardt University of Magdeburg, Germany | <i>Saussure's "realism" and the so-called arbitrariness of linguistic signs</i> |
| 12:15-13:15 | Martin Siefkes & Ellen Fricke University of Chemnitz, Germany | <i>Predecessors: Hjelmslev's Glossematics and Linguistic Realism</i> |
| 13:15-14:15 | <i>Lunch break</i> | |
| 14:15-15:15 | Christina Behme Mount Saint Vincent University, Canada | <i>Linguistic realism and language evolution</i> |
| 15:15-16:30 | Robert Levine Ohio State University, USA | <i>Category logics and the "biolinguistic" speculation</i> |
| 16:30-17:00 | <i>Coffee break</i> | |
| 17:00-18:15 | Scott Soames University of Southern California, USA | <i>Cognitive propositions in non-psychological linguistics</i> |
| 18:15-19:15 | David Pitt California State University, USA | <i>Psychologism in linguistics</i> |

| <i>June 27, 2015</i> | | |
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| 09:00-10:15 | Hans Heinrich Lieb Free University Berlin, Germany | <i>Describing linguistic objects in a realist way</i> |
| 10:15-10:45 | <i>Coffee break</i> | |
| 10:45-11:45 | Andreas Nolda University of Szeged, Hungary | <i>Explaining linguistic facts in a realist theory of word formation</i> |
| 11:45-12:45 | Martin Neef TU Braunschweig, Germany | <i>A realist approach to the phonology of German</i> |
| 12:45-13:45 | <i>Lunch break</i> | |
| 13:45-15:00 | Terence Langendoen University of Arizona, USA | <i>Realist semantics</i> |
| 15:00-16:00 | Ryan Nefdt University of St Andrews, UK | <i>Linguistics as a science of abstract structures</i> |
| 16:00-16:30 | <i>Coffee break</i> | |
| 16:30-17:45 | Andras Kornai Budapest Institute of Technology, Hungary | <i>Realistic hidden structure</i> |