



2nd Conference on Bantoid Languages & Linguistics

PROGRAMME

Yaoundé (Cameroon), 6-8 June 2024

Thursday 06 June, 2024

08:00-09:00	<i>Registration</i>
09:00-10:00	<i>Welcome and opening addresses:</i> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Bantoid Steering Committee 2. Head of Department of African Languages and Linguistics 3. Dean of the Faculty of Arts, University of Yaoundé 1
10:00-11:00	Plenary Session 1: The phonological status of stem-initial prominence in Grassfields Bantu (and beyond) (Kathryn Franich) Chair: Constantine Kouankem

11:00-11:30: Coffee Break

	Morphosyntax	Sociolinguistics
	Room A ; Chair: Gabriel D. Djomeni	Room B ; Chair: Prasidis N. Wainkem
11:30-12:00	Subjunctive marking in Grassfields languages that lack verbal subject markers (Virginia Beavon-Ham, Cameron Hamm & Rachel Robinson)	Non-verbal forms of language in ritual practices in west Cameroon (Emma Flaricelle Bakam)
12:00-12:30	L'impératif canonique dans les langues bantoides bantoues et grassfields du Cameroun (Adriel J. Bebine, Madeleine Ngo Ndjeyiha & Laurence Ngoumamba)	Evolving alternatives: language choice in a rural Cameroon market (Bruce Connell & Peter Goldman)
12:30-13:00	Reflexive constructions in Ngomba (Herbert Rostand Ngouo & Théodore Bebey)	Traditional techniques of knowledge transmission in Kom and Mokpe: Towards a typology of language maintenance (Levi E. Mokake & Clovis Ndichia Nkwain)

13:00-14:00: Lunch break

	Morphophonology	Sociolinguistics, Acquisition and Applied Linguistics
	Room A ; Chair: Esther Phubon Chie	Room B ; Chair: Levi E. Mokake
14:00-14:30	Reduplication in Bantoid (Ibrahim Njoya)	Exploring linguistic carving of social position among the Ghomala and Mmaala (Edmond Ossoko & Jean Paul Gaindjoung)
14:30-15:00	Reduplication in Ndemli (Diandra Sleene Mendouga Owona)	Modes d'adresse et de référence en shupamem (Ninon Wokwenmendiam Nkouo)
15:00-15:30	The Mbam split subject construction (Elisabeth J. Kerr)	Investigating the development and use of negation by Kom children at language acquisition age (Prasidis N. Wainkem)

15:30-16:00: Coffee break

	Morphosyntax	Phonetics/Phonology
	Room A ; Chair: Cameron Hamm	Room B ; Chair: Emmanuel Ndzi Tabah
16:00-16:30	Tense/aspect and verbal negation in Kendem (Magdaline Bakume Nkongho)	Close vowel contrasts in Abar revisited: height or ATR? (Matthew Faytak & Arnold Ekema Njie)
16:30-17:00	Grammatical encoding through tone in Bamali tense, aspect and mood (Rachel Robinson)	Phonetics and phonology of fricative vowels in Lus (Matthew Faytak)
17:00-17:30	Appraisal of Kenyang noun classification from the spell-outs of subject markers (Florence A. E. Tabe Oben)	Phrasal phonological processes in Kom (Esther Phubon Chie)

Friday 07 June, 2024

08:00-09:00	<i>Registration</i>	
	Morphosyntax	Sociolinguistics
	Room A ; Chair: Adriel J. Bebine	Room B ; Chair: Edmond Ossoko
09:00-09:30	Serial verb construction and information structure in Ngiemakɔʔkə (Michael Ntonyuh Yamungeu)	Health discourse in the multilingual landscape of Cameroon (Marthe Bekele Matanda, Esther Phubon Chie & Nancy Sirih-Nagang Nyindem)
09:30-10:00	Verb serialization in Chrambo (Théodore Bebey)	Linguistic landscape: A bridge to crisis management in Cameroon (Nancy Sirih Nagang Nyindem)
10:00-11:00	<i>Plenary Session 2: A synchronic study of nominal prefix tone in selected Bantoid/Grassfields Bantu languages: A comparative study</i> (Ayu'nwi N. Neba) Chair: Mark van de Velde	

11:00-11:30: Coffee Break

	Morphosyntax	Tone
	Room A ; Chair: Ibrahim Njoya	Room B ; Chair: Christopher R. Green
11:30-12:00	Coding coordination relations in Mendumba (Constantine Kouankem)	Tone in Limbum derived forms (Emmanuel Ndzi Tabah)
12:00-12:30	Alignment in Bantoid double object constructions (Mark Van de Velde)	Positional faithfulness in the Bum verb lexical tone (Wilfred Mbanfu Bangsi)
12:30-13:00	Functional and descriptive analysis of complement and adverbial clauses in Nda'nda' (Hugues Carlos Gueche Fotso)	Reconstructing a Grassfields Bantu nominal prefix low tone: Evidence from associative constructions (Pius W. Akumbu)

13:00-14:00: Lunch break

	Morphosyntax	Phonology
	Room A ; Chair: Francine F. Moguo	Room B ; Chair: Roland Kießling
14:00-14:30	Residual vowel reduction to /i/ in functional morphemes in Bantoid (Dmitry Idiatov)	The monophonemic analysis of prenasal clusters deriving from the lexicalization of noun class prefixes in Bantoid languages: The case of Koshin ['Beboid' Bantu, Cameroon] ['Beboid' Bantu, Cameroon] (Ousmanou)
14:30-15:00	Verb forms with umlaut in the Sari (Beboid) language: The connection between C2-consonant and vowel length (Bep Langhout)	Diphthongization of /Vn/ in Kom: A phonological analysis and corpus study (Ivo Forghema Njuasi, Nicholas Kamyu Mori & Matthew Faytak)
15:00-15:30	Ablaut vectorization matrix (Nelson C. Tschonghongi)	

15:30-16:00: Coffee break

	Morphosyntax	Reconstruction
	Room A ; Chair: H.C. Gueche Fotso	Room B ; Chair: Ayu'nwi N. Neba
16:00-16:30	Erosion and loss processes in the study of negation markers in Ghómálá' (Francine F. Moguo)	Jarawan Bantu: a new look at an orphan group (Roger Blench)
16:30-17:00	Les numéraux ordinaux et cardinaux en ngɛmba (Marlaine Madzodjou)	Towards the reconstruction of Proto-Jarawan (Christopher R. Green & Rebecca Grollemund)
17:00-17:30	Evidence of articles in some Grassfields languages (Gabriel D. Djomeni)	Et si Kay Williamson, Watters, Bernd et Derek s'étaient trompés sur la classification des langues mambiloïdes ? (Landri Ngaouri)

18:00 – Conference Dinner**Saturday 08 June, 2024**

	Semantics and Pragmatics	Language Contact
	Room A ; Chair: Dmitry Idiatov	Room B ; Chair: Madeleine Ngo Ndjeyiha
09:00-09:30	"Swallow fire": Literal and figurative usages of Ngɛmba verbs for eat and drink (Solange Mekamgoum & Roland Kießling)	Contact linguistique et impact sur le système nominal de la langue kwa' (Angèle Vanessa Douanla Taffre)
09:30-10:00	A pragmatic exploration of the structures of apology strategies in five Momo languages (Evangeline Siri Fonchia)	Language Contact: The missing identity or global language use: A Linguistic perspective of Kenyang, Ejagham, Korop and Efik (Emilisco Jones Enoachuo & Delphine Efa Eret)
10:00-10:30	The semantics of adverbs in Chrambo (Rosalie Mairama & Martha Njui Mbu)	The dynamics of language contact and lexical borrowing in Grassfields languages: A case study of Kom in Boyo Division (James N. Tasah)
10:30-11:00	Analyse des interfaces phonologie-sémantique et syntaxe-sémantique en shupamem (Abass Ngoungouo Yagnigni)	Language contact and linguistic stereotypes: The case of Lamnso' (Levi E. Mokake & Flora N. Manjo)
11:00-12:00	Closing ceremony	