

10TH INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON INTERCULTURAL, COGNITIVE AND SOCIAL PRAGMATICS

(EPICS X)

“Pragmatics in times of global crisis: Exploring communication online and offline”

FACULTY OF HUMANITIES
PABLO DE OLAVIDE UNIVERSITY, SEVILLE

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Dear colleagues,

The research group “Intercultural Pragmatic Studies (English-Spanish): Pragmatic and Discourse Issues” is pleased to announce the upcoming *Tenth International Symposium on Intercultural, Cognitive and Social Pragmatics* (EPICS X, after the Spanish acronym for “Encuentros de Pragmática Intercultural, Cognitiva y Social”). EPICS X will be held on **May 23rd-25th 2022**, at the Faculty of Humanities of **Pablo de Olavide University**, Seville (Spain).

The conference theme will be “**Pragmatics in times of global crisis: exploring communication online and offline**”. The following scholars have agreed to be EPICS X keynote speakers:

- **Anne Barron**, Leuphana Universität Lüneburg.
- **Nuria Lorenzo-Dus**, Swansea University.
- **Crispin Thurlow**, Universität Bern.

EPICS X is intended to be held on campus, as a face-to-face academic event. Yet, facilities for remote presentation and participation would be offered for those participants from countries with travel restrictions. If the sanitary situation unfortunately worsened, EPICS X will be held fully online.

1. PRESENTATION TYPES

Presentations must be in English and address any of the subjects that fall under the conference topics (see below) or on any related topic connected with pragmatics, regardless of the approach, typology or methodology. Presentations may be made of any of the following types:

A) INDIVIDUAL ORAL PRESENTATIONS

These must be **20** minutes in length, followed by **10** minutes for questions and discussion.

B) THEMED PANELS

These must contain a number of thematically-related papers, each of which must be 20 minutes in length, followed by 10 minutes for questions and discussion. Proposals for panels should also include a chair.

C) POSTERS

Participants presenting a poster must obey the following norms:

- Posters should be no larger than 118,9 x 84,1 cm (A0).
- They may be printed in colour or in black and white.
- Poster presenters must bring a printed copy of their poster with them to the conference. Note that there will not be printing facilities at the conference venue. Presenters will also be responsible for displaying the poster and removing it at the time and in the place designated by the conference organisers.

2. TOPICS

Topics for presentations may be, but are not limited to, the following:

- New or recent interactions between different frameworks or approaches in pragmatics.
- Sociocultural and cognitive factors affecting production and comprehension of language/discourse in face-to-face or mediated (by telephone, computer, etc.) communication in a variety of genres (included social networks like Facebook, Twitter, etc.) and settings (classroom, parliaments, service encounters, etc.).
- Impact of culture and context on pragmatic processes in comprehension.
- New developments, interactions or challenges in pragmatic analyses of:
 - Morphology, lexicon, syntax and/or prosody.
 - Procedural meaning.
 - Types of discourse (professional, academic, political, religious, humorous, etc.).
 - (Im)Politeness and relational work in diverse settings and communication modes.
 - Language aggression and conflict.
 - Expression and processing of emotions.
 - Projection and understanding of identity.
 - Figures of speech (irony, metaphor, hyperbole, etc.).
 - Interlanguage pragmatic development.
 - Translation and interpreting.
 - Online vs. offline communication and discourse.
- Experimental testing.
- Instructional pragmatics and methodological proposals for pragmatics teaching.

3. SUBMISSIONS

Proposals must be sent through the conference website: <http://eventos.upo.es/go/EPICSX>

Please make sure that your submission includes the following information:

A) ORAL PRESENTATIONS AND POSTERS

- A Word/pdf file containing an anonymised **one-page abstract** no longer than **350** words. Please name this file “Abstract_Surname”.
- A Word/pdf file, named “Data_Surname”, containing the following information:
 - Author’s/Authors’ name(s) and affiliation(s)
 - Title of paper
 - Topic(s) addressed (from among those in the list of topics above)
 - Up to five keywords
 - Audio-visual equipment required (computer, video, etc.)
 - E-mail address(es)

- Postal address(es)
- If the paper or poster cannot be presented on a particular day of the conference.

B) THEMED PANELS

In addition to the two files containing the abstract and the information alluded to above for each presentation, panel proposals must also include a **one-page abstract** no longer than **350** words for the whole panel.

4. DATES

Deadline for receipt of abstracts is **1st December 2021**. Proposals will be peer-reviewed and notification of acceptance will be sent by 17th January 2022.

5. CONFERENCE FEES

Date	Until January 31 st 2022		From January 31 st 2022	
	<i>Speaker</i>	<i>Attendee</i>	<i>Speaker</i>	<i>Attendee</i>
Participation type				
On campus	€190	€135	€220	€160
Online	€60	€30	€60	€30

The fees are for the full conference and include the conference pack, coffee breaks and lunches, but not the conference dinner. Instructions to pay the registration fee will be given upon notification of acceptance. Information about the official conference website will also be included in notifications of acceptance.

We hope you will circulate this call for papers to your colleagues and others in your professional network, and to any discussion groups to which you may subscribe. For more information, feel free to contact us. We hope to welcome you to Seville in May 2022 and thank you for your interest.

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