

First International Conference on Aspects of Iranian Linguistics

17 - 19 June 2005 Leipzig, Germany

Max Planck Institute for Evolutionary Anthropology

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Roshan Cultural Heritage Institute
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Invited speakers:

Mohammad R. Bateni (Tehran University)
Gilbert Lazard (Ecole Pratique des Hautes Etudes, Paris)

Organizing committee:

Donald Stilo (Max Planck Institute for Evolutionary Anthropology)
Simin Karimi (University of Arizona)
Vida Samiian (California State University)

PROGRAMME

Thursday 16 June

ca. 19.30	informal get-together in the restaurant ALTE NIKOLAISCHULE (city center, opposite the Nikolai church)
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Friday 17 June

8.00 - 8.50	Registration	Entrance Hall
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8.50	Welcome remarks	Lecture Hall
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Session I	Chair: Martin Haspelmath	
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9.00 - 9.30	Don Stilo (Max Planck Institute for Evolutionary Anthropology) <i>Two sets of mobile verbal clitics in Northern Talyshi.</i>	Lecture Hall
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9.30 - 10.00	Agnes Korn (University of Frankfurt) <i>Object or not object: marking of actants in Balochi Ergative constructions.</i>	Lecture Hall
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10.00 - 10.30	Antje Wendtland (University of Goettingen) <i>On ergativity in Pamir languages.</i>	Lecture Hall
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10.30 - 11.15	Coffee break	Entrance Hall
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Session II	Chair: Jila Ghomeshi (University of Manitoba)	
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11.15 - 11.45	Saeed Ghaniabadi (University of Manitoba) <i>M/p-echo reduplication in colloquial Persian: an OT analysis.</i>	Lecture Hall
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11.45 - 12.15	Annie Rialland and Pollet Samvelian (Sorbonne Nouvelle) <i>Rightmost or leftmost? Accentual rules and intonation in Farsi.</i>	Lecture Hall
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12.15 - 14.15	Lunch	Cafeteria (Max Planck Institute)
13.00 - 14.15	<p>Poster Session 1</p> <p>Ferdows Aghagolzadeh (Tarbiat Modares University) <i>The contributions of linguistic studies at the universities of Iran.</i></p> <p>Zohreh Eslami-Rasekh (Texas A&M University) <i>Manifestations of tæ'arof (Ritual Politeness) in Persian Invitations.</i></p> <p>Behrooz Mahmoodi-Bakhtiari (The Center for the Great Islamic Encyclopedia, Tehran) <i>Subjunctive mood in contemporary Persian.</i></p>	Seminarroom H4.10 (S2)
Session III	Chair: Simin Karimi (University of Arizona)	
14.15 - 14.45	Jila Ghomeshi (University of Manitoba) <i>Markedness and bare nouns in Persian.</i>	Lecture Hall
14.45 - 15.15	Lewis Gebhardt (Northwestern University) <i>Classifiers and Plural in Persian.</i>	Lecture Hall
15.15 - 15.45	Daniel Paul (SOAS London) <i>The 'indefinite' suffix in modern Persian is a classifier.</i>	Lecture Hall
15.45 - 16.30	Coffee Break	Entrance Hall
Session IV	Chair: Vida Samiian (CSU Fresno)	
16.30 - 17.00	Pollet Samvelian (Sorbonne Nouvelle) <i>The Ezafe construction in Iranian languages.</i>	Lecture Hall
17.00- 17.30	Geoffrey Haig (University of Kiel) <i>Remarks on the supposed passive origins of ergativity in Iranian.</i>	Lecture Hall
17.30- 18.00	Annahita Farudi (Oxford University) and Maziar Toosarvandani (USC Berkeley) <i>The loss of ergativity in Dari modal verbs.</i>	Lecture Hall
18.00 - 18.15	Coffe Break	Entrance Hall

18.15 - 19.15	Keynote speech Gilbert Lazard (Ecole Pratique des Hautes Etudes, Paris) <i>The Iranian languages in diachrony and synchrony: a variegated and moving picture.</i>	Lecture Hall
Saturday 18 June		
8.00 - 9.00	Registration	Entrance Hall
Session V	Chair: Don Stilo (Max Planck Institute)	
9.00 - 9.30	Simin Karimi (University of Arizona) <i>Control constructions in some Iranian languages.</i>	Lecture Hall
9.30 - 10.00	Ali Darzi (Tehran University) <i>Persian subject control.</i>	Lecture Hall
10.00 - 10.30	Holmberg, Anders (University of Newcastle) and David Odden (Ohio State University) <i>The Noun Phrase in Hawrami.</i>	Lecture Hall
10.30 - 10.45	Coffee Break	Entrance Hall
Session VI	Chair: t.b.a.	
10.45 - 11.15	Karine Megerdooian (University of California, San Diego) <i>A typology of Persian complex predicates.</i>	Lecture Hall
11.15 - 11.45	Mohamad Vahedi Langrudi (Tarbiat Modares University) <i>De-verbal compound nominalization and argument structure in Persian.</i>	Lecture Hall
11.45 - 12.15	Gh. Karimi-Doostan (University of Kurdistan) <i>The predicative nominals in complex verbs.</i>	Lecture Hall
12.15 - 14.45	Lunch	Cafeteria (Max Planck Institute)

13.30 - 14.45	<p>Poster Session 2</p> <p>Ali Alizadeh (Birjand University) <i>Word Order and the position of direct object in Persian sentences.</i></p> <p>Majid Fattahipoor (Azad University, Parand) <i>A study of Khalaj language: variable Pronunciation of /q/ under influence of Farsi.</i></p> <p>Corinna Leschber (Humboldt University Berlin) <i>Iranian-Turkish-Bulgarian language contact: From a contact-semantic point of view.</i></p> <p>Manijeh Youhanaee (Isfahan University) <i>Light verbs in Persian and English: Do they share the same properties?</i></p>	Seminarroom H4.10 (S2)
Session VII	Chair: Karine Megerdooomian (UCSD)	
14.45 - 15.15	<p>Jan Mohammad and Azita Taleghani (University of Arizona) <i>The properties of ke in Persian.</i></p>	Lecture Hall
15.15 - 15.45	<p>Aria Adli (New York University) <i>Persian wh-questions: word order variation.</i></p>	Lecture Hall
15.45 - 16.30	Coffee Break	Entrance Hall
Session VIII	Chair: Shahrzad Mahootian (Northeastern Illinois University)	
16.30 - 17.00	<p>Arezoo Najafian and Mohamad Vahedi Langrudi (Tarbiat Modares University) <i>The analysis of Impersonal constructions in Persian: an unaccusative hypothesis approach.</i></p>	Lecture Hall
17.00 - 17.30	<p>Reza Nilipour (University Rehabilitation Sciences & School of Cognitive Science/Iran) <i>Where and what' of the Persian language within pathological context.</i></p>	Lecture Hall
17.30 - 17.45	Coffee Break	Entrance Hall

17.45 - 18.45	Keynote speech Mohammad Reza Bateni (Tehran University) <i>Recent Advances in Persian Lexicography.</i>	Lecture Hall
19.45	Conference Dinner in the Restaurant of the Hotel Michaelis. 19.45 - 20.15: Elahe Mir-Djalali Omidyar (Roshan Cultural Heritage Institute) 20.15 - 20.45: Simin Karimi : Remarks about the proceedings 20.45 - 22.45: Dinner reception	
Sunday 19 June		
8.30 - 9.00	Registration	Entrance Hall
Session IX	Chair: Anders Holmberg (University of Newcastle)	
9.00 - 9.30	Shahrzad Mahootian (Northeastern Illinois University) <i>Discourse constraints on Inversion.</i>	Lecture Hall
9.30 - 10.00	John R. Roberts (SIL International) <i>Scrambling in Persian: an RRG approach.</i>	Lecture Hall
10.00 - 10.30	Ludwig Paul (University of Hamburg) <i>The Persian suffix -ra as a general linguistic problem.</i>	Lecture Hall
10.30 - 10.45	Coffee Break	Entrance Hall
Session X	Chair: Reza Nilipour (University Rehabilitation Sciences & School of Cognitive Science/Iran)	
10.45 - 11.15	Ellert T. Johannsson (Cornell University) <i>About alternation in Avestan u-stems.</i>	Lecture Hall
11.15 - 11.45	Carina Jahani (University of Uppsala/ Sweden) <i>Expressions of future in classical and Modern New Persian.</i>	Lecture Hall

11.45 - 12.15	Anousha Sedighi (University of Ottawa) <i>Subjecthood and Agenthood in Persian</i>	Lecture Hall
12.15 - 12.45	Jon Dehdari and Deryle Lonsdal (Brigham Young University) <i>A link grammar parser for Persian.</i>	Lecture Hall
12.45 - 13.00	Vida Samiian, Don Stilo, Simin Karimi Wrapping up	Lecture Hall

List of Participants

Plenary talks:

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(Tehran University)

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Gilbert Lazard
(Ecole Pratique des Hautes Etudes,
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(New York University)

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Darzi, Ali
(Tehran University)

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(Brigham Young University)

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Karimi, Simin (University of Arizona)	<i>Control construction in some Iranian languages.</i>
Karimi-Doostan, Gh. (University of Kurdistan, Sanandaj)	<i>The predicative nominals in complex verbs.</i>
Korn, Agnes (Universität Frankfurt)	<i>Object or not object: marking of actants in Balochi ergative constructions.</i>
Mahootian, Shahrzad (Northeastern Illinois University, Chicago)	<i>The Function of Preposing in Farsi: A Comparative Study.</i>
Megerdoomian, Karine (University of California, San Diego)	<i>A typology of Persian complex predicates.</i>
Mohammad, Jan (University of Arizona)	<i>The properties of ke in Persian.</i>

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Nilipour, Reza (University of Welfare Sciences & Rehabilitation, Tehran)	<i>'Where and what' of the Persian language within pathological context.</i>
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Samvelian, Pollet (Université de la Sorbonne Nouvelle)	<i>The Ezafe construction in Iranian languages.</i>
Sedighi, Anousha (University of Ottawa)	<i>Subjecthood and Agenthood in Persian.</i>
Stilo, Donald (Max Planck Institute for Evolutionary Anthropology, Leipzig)	<i>Two sets of floating agreements clitics in the verbal system of Northern Talyshi.</i>
Toosarvandani, Maziar & Farudi, Annahita (University of California, Berkeley & Worcester College, Oxford)	<i>Loss of Ergativity in Yazdi Modal Verbs.</i>

Vahedi Langrudi, M. Mehdi
(Tarbiat Modares University,
Tehran)

De-verbal compound nominalization and argument structure: potential bound compound verbal stems in Persian.

Wendtland, Antje
(Universität Göttingen)

On ergativity in Pamir languages.

Poster presentation:

Aghagolzadeh, Ferdows
(Tarbiat Modares University,
Tehran)

The contribution of linguistics studies at the universities of Iran.

Alizadeh, Ali
(Birjand University)

Word Order and the position of direct Object in Persian sentences.

Eslami-Rasekh, Zohreh
(Texas A&M University)

Manifestations of ta'arof (Ritual Politeness) in Persian Invitations.

Fattahipoor, Majid
(Azad University, Parand)

A study of Khalaj language: variable pronunciation of /q/ under influence of Farsi.

Leschber, Corinna
(Humboldt Universität Berlin)

Iranian-Turkish-Bulgarian language contact. From a contact-semantic point of view.

Mahmoodi-Bakhtiari, Behrooz
(The Center for the Great Islamic
Encyclopedia, Tehran)

Subjunctive mood in contemporary Persian.

Youhanaee, Manijeh
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