Call for Papers

18th Amsterdam Colloquium

December 19 – 21, 2011

The 18th Amsterdam Colloquium will be held December 19 – 21, 2011 at the University of Amsterdam. The Amsterdam Colloquia aim at bringing together linguists, philosophers, logicians, cognitive scientists and computer scientists who share an interest in the formal study of the semantics and pragmatics of natural and formal languages. The spectrum of topics covered ranges from descriptive (syntactic and semantic analyses of all kinds of expressions) to theoretical (logical and computational properties of semantic theories, philosophical foundations, evolution and learning of language).

The program of the 18th Amsterdam Colloquium includes four invited lectures by renowned experts in the field:

• Irene Heim (MIT)
• Donka Farkas (University of California, Santa Cruz)
• Seth Yalcin (University of California, Berkeley)
• Chung-chieh Shan (Rutgers University)

The colloquium also accommodates three thematic workshops:

• Formal semantics and pragmatics of sign languages
  Organizers: Vadim Kimmelman, Roland Pfau and Anne Baker
  Invited speaker: Philippe Schlenker (Institut Jean-Nicod, Paris and New York University)

• Inquisitiveness
  Organizers: Jeroen Groenendijk, Floris Roelofsen and Matthijs Westera
  Invited speaker: Manfred Krifka (Humboldt University, Berlin)

• Formal Semantic Evidence
  Organizers: Katrin Schulz and Galit Weidman Sassoon
  Invited speakers: Richard Breheny (University College London), and Bart Geurts (Radboud University Nijmegen)

Submission of abstracts

Authors can submit an anonymous abstract of two pages, at the website specified below. The abstract should include a short 10 line summary clearly indicating subject matter and conclusions. Author’s details can be specified separately. All three workshops also host contributed talks. The rules for submissions are like those for the regular program. When you submit your abstract, you will be asked to indicate whether you would like your abstract to be considered for the general program or for one of the workshops.

Multiple submissions are allowed, but no single author will be accepted to give more than one presentation. In case authors are involved in more than one submission, one or more of which are co-authored, then it should be indicated clearly which author is actually going to give the presentation.

The deadline for the submission of abstracts is September 1st, 2011. Authors will be notified of acceptance by October 15th. Extended 10 page abstracts, to be included in the pre-proceedings, are due December 1st. The pre-proceedings of the Amsterdam Colloquium will be downloadable from the AC website during the conference. A collection of revised selected papers will be published after the conference as a volume in the Springer series Lecture Notes in Computer Science (LNCS), under the FoLLI LNAI subline.

Important Dates

• 01–09–11 Deadline for submissions
• 01–12–11 Deadline for pre-proceedings
• 15–10–11 Notification of acceptance
• 19/21–12–11 18th Amsterdam Colloquium

Organization

The Amsterdam Colloquia are organized by the Institute for Logic, Language and Computation (ILLC) of the University of Amsterdam. The organizing committee of the 18th Amsterdam Colloquium consists of Maria Aloni, Peter van Ormondt, Floris Roelofsen, Galit Weidman Sassoon and Matthijs Westera. For further information, consult:

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