





New Directions in Minority Language Sociolinguistics

Thursday 26th of October

Institute for Advanced Studies in the Humanities (IASH), The University of Edinburgh

Central Campus, 60 Pleasance, Edinburgh, EH8 9TJ Room: Cheviot (Second Floor)

Programme

9h00-09h30: Welcome and introduction to event by Prof Bernie O'Rourke (University of Glasgow) and Dr Alejandro Dayán-Fernández (University of Glasgow)

09h30-11h00: Block 1 – First Assumption: Language as a bounded, discrete and named entity.

Key Question: What are the limits of poststructuralist & (trans)languaging approaches in sociolinguistic research involving minority languages, when translated into policy and language advocacy?

Introduction: Prof Bernie O'Rourke, University of Glasgow

Short presentations by discussants:

09h30-09h40: Joanna McPake, University of Strathclyde

09h45-09h55: Dr Ane Ortega, Euskal Herriko Unibertsitatea

10h00-10h10: Dr John Walsh (Policy perspective), Foras na Gaeilge

10h15-10h25: Claire Cullen (Policy perspective), Scottish Government

10h25-11h00: Group Discussion

11h00-11h15: Coffee break

11h15-12h30: Block 2 – Second Assumption: Territorialised notions of language within bounded communities of place

Key Question: To what extent does the territoriality principle help (or not) with advancing minority language sociolinguistics, advocacy, and language policy-making?

Introduction: Prof Bernie O'Rourke, University of Glasgow

Short presentations by discussants:

11h15-11h25: Prof Colin Williams, Cardiff University

11h30-11h40: Prof Rhys Jones, Aberystwyth University







11h45-11h55: Prof Wilson McLeod, University of Edinburgh

12h00-12h10: Prof Rob Dunbar, University of Edinburgh

12h15-12h20: Dr John Walsh (Policy perspective), Foras na Gaeilge

12h20-12h30: Group Discussion

12h30-13h30: Lunch break

13h30-15h00: Block 3 – Third Assumption: Nativeness and the native speaker ideology

Key Question: How can we effectively reformulate (mis)conceptions about

speakers/speakerhood in wider society and make them operational for

language advocates and policy-makers?

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Short presentations by discussants:

13h30-13h40: Prof Helen Kelly-Holmes, University of Limerick

13h45-13h55: Dr Maite Puigdevall, Universitat Oberta de Catalunya

14h00-14h10: Dr Jone Goirigolzarri Garaizar, Deustuko Unibertsitatea

14h15-14h25: Prof Jennifer Smith, University of Glasgow

14h30-14h40: Erin McNulty, University of Glasgow

14h45-14h50: Dr John Walsh (Policy perspective), Foras na Gaeilge

14h50-15h00: Group Discussion

15h00-16h15: Block 4 – Post-structuralism & New Methodologies: How do we use poststructuralist critique and theory in a way that is useful for developing new methodologies?

Introduction: Bernie O'Rourke

Short presentations by discussants:

15h00-15h10: Prof Rhys Jones, Aberystwyth University

15h15-15h25: Prof Colin Williams, Cardiff University

15h30-15h40: Dr Estibaliz Amorrortu, Deustuko Unibertsitatea

15h45-15h55: Dr Qunshan Zhao, University of Glasgow

15h55-16h15: Group Discussion

16h15-16h45: Wrap up