‘Approaches to identity in language’

26th – 27th June 2014

Anglia Ruskin University, Cambridge

http://linguisticidentities.wordpress.com

Keynote speakers

Prof. Tope Omoniyi; University of Roehampton and
Morakinyo Ogunmodimu; Tulane University, New Orleans
“Researching identity through Hiphopography and Ethnography:
A tale of two methods”

Dr. Erez Levon; Queen Mary, University of London
“Stance, voice and the linguistic construction of self”

Call for Papers

The field of research into language and identity has gained momentum fairly recently; this growing interest reflects current concerns and experiences with globalisation and increasing contact between cultures on the individual and societal level. These developments are strongly influenced by factors such as migratory movements and new technologies, which bring cultures together but also necessitate identity creation and negotiation. While research on language and identity covers many domains (e.g. second language education, second language acquisition, gender and sexuality, second generation migrants, socio-political issues) and a great number of cultural contexts, researchers often work in separate fields and with relatively little contact or cooperation. At the same time, all researchers in this area share an interest in language and identity.

This two-day seminar will bring together junior and senior researchers working in a wide variety of domains relating to language and identity in order to gain a state-of-the-art overview of current practice and methodologies with the aim of establishing a network of researchers working on identity in language and recruiting contributors for a handbook on methodologies in identity research in language.
Abstract submission

Submissions are invited for papers that address methodological issues and approaches relating to research on the creation of identities through language. Abstracts of up to 300 words (excluding references) can be submitted to the following email address CLEARLY marked 'BAAL/CUP submission' in the subject line: Sebastian.Rasinger@anglia.ac.uk

Deadline for submissions: 31st March 2014

Notification of acceptance by 11th April 2014. Registration will open mid-April.

Format: 20 min papers + up to 10 mins for discussion. Papers will be grouped under themes and will have time for up to 30 minutes of discussion after each theme. The second day of the conference will end with a workshop session and a themed discussion.

Local organising team

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