



International Research Networking Project

Conference 2: “Language and Gender: Research and Desiderata”

31 May 2024

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Introduction



- Welcome, and thank you for attending / participating / contributing
- Self-presentation: Dr Falco Pfalzgraf
- Presentation of the International Research Project
- Structure of the conference
- ‘Housekeeping’

Self-Presentation



- Dr Falco Pfalzgraf, Reader/Associate Professor in German Linguistics
- Teaches and researches at university level since 2000 (Linguistics)
- Has been working on *Language and Gender* for some years now
- Organiser of this event (among others), as part of the International Research Networking Project “Language and Gender: Academic Research and Practical Implementation”
- Most recent related book publications:
 - Pfalzgraf, Falco (ed.). *Public Attitudes Towards Gender-Inclusive Language. A Multilingual Perspective.* (Language and Social Life 31.) Berlin/Boston: De Gruyter Mouton. Available from Oct. 2024. ISBN 978-3-11-120125-2.
 - Pfalzgraf, Falco (ed.). *Gender-neutral, Gender-fair, Gender-inclusive. Towards Conceptual Clarity across European Languages.* (Palgrave Studies in Language, Gender and Sexuality.) Cham: Palgrave Macmillan. Contract signed for publication in 2025.

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- Today's event is part of the international research project “Language and Gender – Academic Research and Practical Implementation” which focuses on questions related to the use of gender-inclusive language, see:
<https://www.qmul.ac.uk/sllf/linguistics/research/gender-inclusive-language/research-networking-project/> or navigate via <https://gender.pfalzgraf.net/>
- The research project brings together practitioners and academics from various different cultural and linguistic backgrounds: Participants reside in 15 countries and cover 13 languages
- Leads to interdisciplinary collaboration
- Facilitates the transfer of knowledge and expertise
- Facilitates collaborations between academics and practitioners
- Facilitates further co-operation, e.g. within larger research projects

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Five research project events in 2023/24:

- Friday 17 November 2023: Opening Event
- Friday 19 January 2024: Conference/ workshop 1 “Language and Gender: Achieving Conceptual Clarity”
- Friday 31 May 2024: Conference/ workshop 2 “Language and Gender: Research and Desiderata”
- Friday 6 September 2024: Conference/ workshop 3 “Language and Gender: Practical Aspects and Implementation”
- Friday 15 November 2024: Closing Event

All events will be available to the general public (later: online repository)

Today's Event



- “Language and Gender: Research and Desiderata”
- 15 Speakers (excluding myself) will be covering 12 Languages
- 20 minutes presentation, directly followed by 10 min. discussion/ Q&A
- A total of 126 registered attendees
- Programme:

<https://www.qmul.ac.uk/sllf/linguistics/research/gender-inclusive-language/research-networking-project/conferences--events/research-and-desiderata-conference/>

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'Housekeeping'

- Please note that this event will be recorded, and that the recording will be made available in the research network repository.
- Contributing participants should keep their microphones muted until their presentation slot is due.
- Guests who 'attend only' should keep their microphones muted.
- The Q&A / discussion will be done using Zoom's "raise hand" function.
- This is a long event with many attendees. Please let us do our best to stick to the schedule.
- All of us should make sure that our real names are visible.
- We have a zero tolerance policy for harassment / trolling.

Thank you very much.
Enjoy the conference.