

Dear participants,

This message entails practical information for the approaching Helsinki symposium on language contacts.

*** Registration and symposium fee:**

The electronic form for the online-registration is open till August 3. If you have not registered yet, we kindly ask you to do so.

The registration fee should be paid by August 3 as well. The payment details and registration form are available at: <http://www.linguistics.fi/contact/registration.shtml>

The registration fee includes access to all sessions, the symposium folder, refreshments during the symposium and reception on Thursday evening.

Not included in the registration fee: Symposium dinner, Friday evening (30 €), see below.

*** Symposium programme:**

The preliminary symposium programme has been published and is available online in pdf format. The programme will be updated in August, and you will find the final printed programme in your symposium folder.

http://www.linguistics.fi/contact/SKY_Contact_10.6.2014.pdf

*** Abstract booklet:**

The abstract booklet is available online in pdf format. Please note that if you want to have it in paper format you should print it by yourself in advance.

http://www.linguistics.fi/contact/Book_of_abstracts_10.7.2014.pdf

*** Reception by the University of Helsinki (Thursday):**

On Thursday evening at 6:30 p.m. we have been invited to the University of Helsinki's reception. The reception takes place at the teacher's lounge in the Main Building (Fabianinkatu 33). It will be hosted by professor Anna Mauranen. One of the organizers will walk with you from the Metsätalo-building to the reception directly after Thursday's last paper. No registration is needed for the reception.

The representatives of the University of Helsinki have asked us to inform you about the practicalities in the reception: The reception will be opened by the host after which small snacks and other refreshments will be served. The reception closes at 8:30 p.m.

*** Registration to the symposium dinner (Friday):**

The symposium dinner takes place on Friday evening at 7 p.m. in Restaurant Piritta (Eläintarhantie 12). If you wish to participate in the dinner we kindly ask you to register by **August 20** by using the e-form available at:

<https://elomake.helsinki.fi/lomakkeet/52505/lomake.html>.

The restaurant can fit as many as 60 guests. The dinner costs 30 €, and we ask you to pay it in advance by August 20 by transferring the sum to the account of The Linguistic Association of Finland. Payment details and the menu are available in the registration form.

*** Schedule in paper sessions:**

As a kind reminder, please note that the time reserved for an individual paper presentation is 20 minutes and 10 minutes for discussion.

*** Accommodation:**

We kindly ask you to book your accommodation yourself. Information on hotels and hostels and on public transportation is available at:
http://www.linguistics.fi/contact/practical_info.shtml

*** Weather forecast:**

The weather in Finland in August tends to be pretty warm (by Finnish standards), but it can be chilly and rainy as well. Check the current forecast here:
<http://en.ilmatieteenlaitos.fi/weather/helsinki>

For all correspondence concerning the symposium, please contact: contact-2014@helsinki.fi

Looking forward to seeing you all in August in Helsinki!

Organizers