



Prepositions in Thought and Language

Online Workshop

10–11 October 2026

Thessaloniki Cognitive Linguistics Research Group

Programme

Saturday 10 October 2026 (14:00 – 18:05)

14:00 Greetings – Angeliki Athanasiadou (Aristotle University of Thessaloniki)

Session A (14:10–15:30)

14:10 Xiaoben Yuan (Akita University)

The Japanese Case Particle e in Children's Multimodal Metaphors of Taxation

14:25 Ulisses Tadeu Vaz de Oliveira (Federal University of Mato Grosso do Sul)

Prepositions as Cognitive Organizers in English and Portuguese Nominal Groups: A Cross-Linguistic Perspective

14:40 Ishant Yenamandra (Liberal Arts & Science Academy)

The use of prepositions to shift responsibility of non-transmission in Texas German

14:55 Keith Tse, Francesco-Alessio Ursini (Ronin Institute for Independent Scholarship (RIIS) 2.0, Central China Normal University)

Formation of Differential Object Marking (DOM): Argument/Event Structure and Categorical Parameters

15:10 Discussion

Session B (15:30–16:35)

15:30 Veronica Yesenia Ancco Almonte (Federal University of Rio de Janeiro)

Causatives and directionals in emotion metaphors in Aymara

15:45 Monica Rajguru (Indian Institute of Technology, Gandhinagar)

The Postposition -re in Odia: A Cognitive Model Cluster Analysis of Its Semantic Extensions

16:00 Katarzyna Makocka-Wojsiat (University of Białystok)

From Prepositions to Metaphor: Spatial Relations as Minimal Models of Experience

16:15 Discussion

16:35 Break

Session C (17:00–18:05)

17:00 Ivana Matas Ivanković (Institute for the Croatian Language)

Semantic Classification of Nouns in the Description of Croatian Prepositions

17:15 Robert Sviben, Ivana Matas Ivanković (Institute for the Croatian Language)

Meaning Construction in Croatian P1+N+P2 Complex Prepositions

17:30 Maather Al-Rawi, Abdelkader Fassi Fehri (King Abdulaziz University, Mohammed V University)

Prepositional Allosemy as compositional: Evidence from Arabic

17:45 Discussion

End of Day 1

Sunday 11 October 2026 (15:00–18:20)

Session D (15:00–16:20)

15:00 Inesa Šeškauskienė, Egle Žilinskaite-Šinkuniene (Vilnius University)

Force dynamics in Baltic: the Latvian pret compared to the Lithuanian prieš ('in front of, against')

15:15 Ieva Stasiūnaitė (Vilnius University)

On the Meaning of the Lithuanian PO 'under'

15:30 Erica Pinelli (University of Pavia)

The role of prepositions in NPN semi-schematic phraseologisms in Russian

15:45 Martina Irsara (Free University of Bozen-Bolzano)

What happens to through in translation? Reconstructing narrative space across languages

16:00 Discussion

16:20 Break

Session E (17:00–18:20)

17:00 Lacey Okonski, Marlene Johansson-Falck, Ljiljana Saric (University of Oslo, Umeå University, University of Oslo)

An Embodied Scenes approach to building and testing five preposition profiles

17:15 Eva Zehentner (University of Zurich)

English prepositional verbs do not exist as a category (but some verb-preposition combinations became more entrenched over time)

17:30 Pantazis Stougianas (Aristotle University of Thessaloniki)

The semantic network of the Ancient Greek prefix ἀπο-

17:45 Maya Bačić Ćosić (University of Belgrade)

Spatial construals of temporal duration in Modern Greek language: prepositional adverbial phrases

18:00 Discussion

18:20 Closing Remarks