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Workshop: Advances in Trans-Himalayan linguistics

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The study of Trans-Himalayan languages – one of the largest families in the world – remains a “niche”-discipline in European linguistics. As the number of documented Trans-Himalayan languages is constantly growing, so grows our understanding of the typologically diverse grammatical profiles of Trans-Himalayan languages, and of the peculiar grammatical phenomena that they exhibit in all domains of grammar: phonology (e.g. tone), morphology (e.g. highly complex verbal paradigms and person-indexing principles), and the interrelation of grammar and pragmatics (e.g. egophoricity, evidentiality, differential argument marking, or pragmatic particles). This workshop aims at bringing together scholars of Trans-Himalayan languages to discuss the current advances in these topics with an emphasis but not restricted to:

- Interrelation of grammar-pragmatics: how can we better account for “pragmatic” particles, argument flagging, and pragmatically-driven verbal categories
- Tone and tonogenesis
- Underdescribed Trans-Himalayan languages: documentation and description
- Understudied grammatical phenomena and categories
- Discourse structuring, spontaneous interaction, and multimodality

Abstracts for 20-minute presentations (plus 10 minutes discussion) must be submitted in .doc and in PDF format. They should not exceed one page in length (excluding references), in a font size no less than 12pt, and with margins of 1 inch/2.5cm. Every author can submit at most one single-authored abstract and one co-authored abstract.