

CALL FOR PAPERS AND PANELS (Second Circular)

17-ICAL – 2027

Seventeenth International Conference on
Austronesian Linguistics
1-5 August 2027

Meisei University, Tokyo, Japan

Call for individual papers:

We are pleased to announce that the 17th International Conference on Austronesian Linguistics will take place at Meisei University, Tokyo, on August 1-5, 2027 (on-site only). Scholars are invited for 20-minute talks (plus 10 minutes for discussion) and/or poster presentations on any aspect of language or linguistics specifically related to Austronesian languages.

Submissions are limited to one individual and one joint abstract per author. Abstracts should be single-spaced, 12-point font, with 1-inch or 2.5-cm margins on all sides. The main text must be limited to one page, and only the data/tables/examples and references may appear on the second page. Authors' names should not appear (on the abstract itself), but the abstract should include a title.

Abstracts should be submitted via the Pretalx platform (the link will be shown in our website <https://sites.google.com/view/17ical/>), except the panel proposal, which should be compiled by the panel organizer(s), and sent via e-mail (see **Call for panels**).

Pretalx submission site open

November 1, 2026

Deadline for individual abstract submission (oral/poster):

January 31, 2027

Notification of acceptance for individual abstracts (oral/poster):

March 31, 2027

Call for panels:

Theme- or area-related panels are also invited. Each panel must consist of **3–6 presentations** (including a discussion session, if any). Panel proposals must be submitted by the panel organizer as a single PDF file containing the information specified below, following the format and submission guidelines outlined here.

1. Panel Information

Panel title

Panel abstract/rationale explaining the overall theme and scope of the panel (200–300 words)

Keywords (3–5 words)

Organizer's name, affiliation, email address

2. Proposed program

Presentation title

Presenter's name, affiliation, email address

Discussant's name, affiliation, email address (if applicable)

3. Individual abstracts

Title

Presenter's name, affiliation, email address

Abstract (The main text must be limited to one page; only data, tables, examples, and references may appear on a second page.)

Please compile all of the information above into a single PDF file and send it as an email attachment to austronesianlinguistics@gmail.com.

Email subject line: "Panel Submission"

The email must be sent with the contact addresses of all organizer(s), presenters, and the discussant (if applicable) included in the cc line.

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Keynote speakers:

We are happy to have the following keynote speakers.

Ritsuko Kikusawa (National Museum of Ethnology)

Bradley McDonnell (University of Hawai'i)

Elizabeth Zeitoun (Academia Sinica)

Steering Committee:

Alexander Adelaar (Palacký University Olomouc & The University of Melbourne)

Isabelle Bril (CNRS, France)

Rik de Busser (National Chengchi University, Taiwan)
Shirley Dita (De La Salle University, the Philippines)
Emily Gasser (Swarthmore College, USA)
David Gil (Max Planck Institute for the Science of Human History, Germany)
Atsuko Kanda Utsumi (Meisei University, Japan)
Daniel Kaufman (The City University of New York, USA)
František Kratochvíl (Palacký University Olomouc, Czech Republic)
Bill Palmer (University of Newcastle, Australia)
Narivelo Rajaonarimanana (Université d'Antananarivo, Madagascar)
Baholisoa Simone Ralalaoherivony (Madagascar)
Alexander Smith (National University of Singapore)
Antonia Soriente (University of Naples "L'Orientale", Italy)
Tamisha Tan (Nanyang Technological University, Singapore)
Elizabeth Zeitoun (Academia Sinica, Taiwan)

Organizing Committee of 17-ICAL:

Atsuko Kanda Utsumi (Meisei University)
Yukinori Kimoto (The University of Osaka)
Kenichiro Kurusu (University of the Philippines)

Local and travel information:

The conference will take place at Meisei University, Tokyo. Please check our conference website for updates:

<https://sites.google.com/view/17ical/>

Updates will automatically be sent to all members of the AN-LANG list and LINGUIST LIST.
Any email inquiries can be sent to austronesianlinguistics@gmail.com.