CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS TO THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNICATION ASSOCIATION LANGUAGE AND SOCIAL INTERACTION DIVISION

The 2013 ICA Conference will be held in London, June 17-21.

Language and Social Interaction (LSI) research is focused on the study of language use, discourse, and interaction. The LSI Division welcomes submissions about the social uses of language or embodiment in various contexts of human interaction. Among the range of research perspectives found within the Division are: discourse analysis, ethnography of communication, conversation analysis, critical discourse analysis, pragmatics, sociolinguistics, semiotics, embodied communication, social constructionism, social psychology of language, as well as other approaches. Theoretical, empirical, critical, and practical works are welcome using qualitative or quantitative methodologies. Most LSI work includes some empirical analysis of language use. One resource for those wondering about the fit of their work in the LSI division is the *Handbook of Language and Social Interaction* (Fitch, K., & Sanders, R. E. (Eds.). (2005). Mahwah, NJ: Lawrence Erlbaum Associates).

**Paper & Extended Abstracts.** Individual paper authors should submit either a full paper (~25 pages) or a well-developed extended abstract similar to a conference-presentation length paper (1500-3000 words). All paper submissions (full papers & extended abstracts) will be judged together, however, only full papers will be considered for the Top Paper and Top Student Paper Awards. Extended abstracts should at minimum include a rationale/background, description of methods (if appropriate), and at least some initial analysis (as appropriate).

**Panels.** Panel proposals will also be considered. Panel proposals should include a title, 150-word abstract, 400-word rationale for the panel as well as abstracts from each panelist if appropriate. Because LSI accepts extended abstracts, higher-ranking panel proposals should use the panel format in innovative ways (so not just four papers on a similar topic).

Please read the ICA submission rules carefully for information about preparing your document and de-identifying authors. You may submit more than one submission to LSI, however, only one first-authored paper will be accepted for presentation in this division.

Attendees from “soft currency” countries and ethnic minority members may apply for financial support from ICA’s Diversity Travel Funds. Please apply for consideration by sending a separate message addressed to the program planner listed below. You will need to attend the business meeting to receive the travel grant.

**Deadline: All submissions must be completed online no later than 23:00 EST, 1 November 2012.**

**To avoid technical problems, early submission is strongly encouraged.** The conference submission website will go online around 6 September 2012. To reach the conference website, go to the ICA home page at http://www.icahdq.org and follow the link for 2013 Conference Submission. It is essential that you read the complete instructions carefully and prepare your submission prior to logging on. NOT FOLLOWING THE GUIDELINES MAY CAUSE YOUR SUBMISSION TO NOT BE REVIEWED.

For additional information about the ICA 2013 Conference, please go to: <https://www.icahdq.org/conf/index.asp>

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