Table for a digest of responses concerning the use of 'our language (speech etc.)' or similar designations as a self-referring name for the speech community's dialect

• I have included information only from those replies which concerned terms for (socio)linguistic entities. I have not included information on ethnonyms, if these did not contain parallel information on "glossonyms". You can read on separate ethnonyms in the other file (containing e-mail replies).

| contributor(s) | language, dialect and location | "glottonym" (and related expressions) | additional comments |
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| David Gil gil@eva.mpg.de | Minangkabau (Austronesian), Indonesia Nar-Phu (Tamangic), | bahaso awak language 1or 2.sg ∨ 1.pl inclusive 'our [my and your] language' earlier designations 'our language', | downloadable paper on Nar-Phu: |
| Noonan noonan@ csd.uwm.edu | Himalaya/Nepal | 'language of Nar / of Phu' | http://www.uwm.edu/~noonan/Papers.html see also: http://www.uwm.edu/~noonan/Nar- Phu.html |
| Mily Crevels M.Crevels@ let.kun.nl | Itonama (unclassified), Amazonian Bolivia | in Itonama: <i>sihni</i> padara <i>padara</i> | It is unknown whether the first designation was in use in pre-Columbian times; the second one is evidently the result of the need of contrasting the indigenous language from the predominant language of the European colonizers. |

¹ The reason, or rather: story of the 1.PL.EXCLUSIVE (which is unusual if compared with other languages included in this digest) is the following:

[&]quot;There are, as far as I know, still four speakers left (three men and one woman) in a otherwise monolingual Spanish village. The oldest is 89 and the youngest 82. They do not speak the language among themselves but used to speak Itonama with even older people who have all died in the past decade. When I first got to the village where they live, they called their language "el dialecto". Working with me and realizing that they speak a full-fledged and very interesting language, this has changed now into "la lengua". Last April I tried to ask them what they would call their language in "la lengua", since "Itonama" has no meaning at all for them. One male speaker was very definite about calling it "dihnipadara" (1PL.INCL-speech), the two others first were in doubt about calling it "dihni-padara" or "sihni-padara". In the end they decided on "sihni-padara", since they had concluded that they were the only speakers left ... It is clear that "sihni-padara" is a construction that is based on the current circumstances, but it might very well have been possible that the Itonamas used to call their language "dihni-padara"." (Mily Crevels, e-mail reply from 1/8/2003)

| | | (vs. Spanish standard, vernacular; basically true for all Bolivian lowland languages) | |
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| Pilar Maritza Valenzuela pvalenzu@ DARKWING.UO REGON.EDU | Shipibo-Konibo, Amazonian Peru | no -njoi1.PL-GENlanguage/speech/word'our language/talk'as contrasted tonawa-njoioutsider/Spanish speaker-GEN'the outsider's language / talk' | |
| Jeanette Sakel jeansakel@ hotmail.com | Mosetenan / Mosetén, Bolivian Lowland | tsin-si'mik1.PL-POSS.F tongue.F'our tongue'khäei'-si'khäei'-si'referential)'s own tongue'tsin-si-si'(abridged: tsin-si-s) | used predominantly by the speakers of that community themselves the referential value of the pronoun (and its possessive suffix) obviously remains strictly deictic (ethnocentric), as these expressions cannot be used by a foreigner (unless s/he wants to refer to his/her own native language) |
| Jan Terje Faarlund j.t.faarlund@ INL.UIO.NO | Zoque (used in English, Spanish), Southern Mexico | 1.pl-poss.f-poss.f'our's'odepütlanguagepeople'the (= our) people's language'chabyajpabü'those who speak the language' | originally there was no word for the own language, neither for the ethnic group the second term used also with reference to the indigenous people in general (in contrast to 'the white people') |
| Johanna Nichols johanna@ uclink.berkeley.e | Chechen, Ingush (Nakh- Dagestanian), NE Caucasus – genetically related, though different languages | <i>vai</i> mott (Ingush) 1.pl incl language 'our (people's) language' – compare ethnic names, referring to both | refers to either of these languages or to both used originally only with fellow-Chechens or - Ingushs detailed information on the languages and their |

| du | | peoples: | historical-cultural background: |
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| | | vai nakh (Ingush) | http://ingush.berkeley.edu:7012/ |
| | | vain naax (Chechen) | http://socrates.berkeley.edu/~chechen/ |
| | | 'our people' | 1 5 |
| Maria-José | Basque | euskaldun 'Basque (man / woman)' | |
| Ezeizabarrena | | < euskara-dun 'the one who has Basque') | |
| fepezsem@ | | in contrast to | |
| vc.ehu.es | | erdaldun '(the) one who speaks the / | |
| | | another language' (< erdara-dun 'the one | |
| | | who has another tongue') | |
| Manfred | Basque | in colloquial speech rather | |
| Ostrowski | | gure hizkuntza | |
| "ostrowski.s.m." | | 'our language' | |
| @t-online.de | | (with a connotation of nearness) | |
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| Elke Nowak | Inuktikut (Greenland, | <i>inuk-itut</i> itself means | true also for other varieties, e.g, |
| elke.n@ t-online.de | Arctic) | '(the way) as done by an Inuk' | Inuttut, Kalaallisut |
| t-omne.de | | | |
| Johanna | many language names and et | hnonyms in Finnic languages | more information from THE FINNIC |
| Laakso | | ······································ | ETHNONYMS by Riho Grünthal: |
| johanna.laakso@ | | | http://www.helsinki.fi/jarj/sus/julkaisut/ct/ |
| UNIVIE.AC.AT | | | ct51grunthal.html |
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| László Honti | Finnish dialect in the Torne | <i>meän kieli</i> (in standard Finnish) | |
| honti.laszlo@dgf | River valley (Sweden) | meijä kieli (in the dialect itself) | |
| c.uniud.it, | | 'our language' | |
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| Gideon Goldenberg msgidgol@mscc. huji.ac.il | various Neo-Aramaic Jewish dialects | 1. lishan -an tongue 1.PL.POSS '(as it is) in our (own) dialect' <i>lishana deni</i> (lishan didan etc.) tongue ours '(that) language of ours' (emphatic variants) | |
| | 2. Harari (Semitic), Ethiopia | 2. ge sinān city language 'the language of the city' (where the Harar people live, thus ge 'city' refers exclusively to Harar) | |
| | Yiddish Arabic | 3. <i>mame -loshn</i> (< Hebrew <i>lashon</i> 'language') 'mother tongue' (compare German <i>Muttersprache</i>) | |
| | | 4. <i>al-lugha</i> 'the language' | – used with reference to Arabic outside the Arabic-speaking countries |
| | 5. Soddo-Gurage dialect (Semitic), Ethiopia | 5. <i>Kïstan-ïñña</i> (< <i>Kïstane</i> 'Christians' + <i>ïñña</i> .1.PL.INCL) | - used to distinguish the own (Christian) community from neighboring Pagans and Moslems; the pronoun <i>ïñña</i> exclusively refers to members of that community, it is etymologically related to the Neo-Aramaic possessive suffix <i>-enij</i> 'all.INCL', which excludes foreigners |
| Alberto Nocentini | 1. Mediterranean lingua franca | 1. <i>lingo</i> 'language' | |
| flanar@unifi.it | 2. sociolect used by theatrical people and homosexuals in England | 2. <i>polari</i> (< It. <i>parlare</i> 'to speak') | |

| | 3. lingua franca of Surinam | 3. taki-taki (< Eng. talk) | English-based creole, also called Sranan |
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| Viktor | Serbo-Croatian and other | naš jezik | |
| Friedman | South Slavic varieties (resp. | 'our language' | |
| vfriedm@midwa | ethnic groups, see below) | | |
| y.uchicago.edu, | | | |
| Elke | | | |
| Hentschel | | | |
| jasam@ germ.unibe.ch | | | |
| Viktor | 1. Macedonian | 1. kaj nas '(to speak) like us' | "These usages date from the period before modern |
| Friedman | | (Macedonian dialects of Boboštica and | national consciousness, when one's primary |
| Theaman | | Drenovjane near Korča (Albania), | source of identity was religion, not language." |
| | | <i>zboruva po-našinski</i> lit. '(s/he) speaks | (12/14/02) |
| | | our-ian', <i>naški</i> , <i>našinski</i> (< <i>naš</i> 'our') by | |
| | | Macedonians in Northern Greece (see | |
| | | below) | |
| | 2. Albanian | 2. <i>shqip</i> probably derives from | |
| | | '(to speak) clearly' | |
| | 3. Gagauz (Turkic), | 3. türkçemiz | |
| | Black Sea region | 'our Turkish' | |
| Walter Breu | Molise Slav (South Italy) | naš jezik 'our language' | – Croatian based (from the 16^{th} c.) |
| Walter.Breu@ | | (kjikjarijat) na-našu '(to speak, talk) in | – further information on the URL: |
| uni-konstanz.de | | our fashion' (lit. 'on our') | http://www.uni- |
| | | | konstanz.de/FuF/Philo/Sprachwiss/slavistik/acqua |
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| | | | indexE.htm |
| Viktor | Macedonians in Greece | Greek ta dhikà mas | |
| Friedman, | (when speaking Greek) | 'that which belongs to us' | |
| Claude | VS. | VS. | |
| Hagège | Macedonians (in their own | Mac. zboruva po-našinski | |
| claude.hagege@F REE.FR, | language) | 's/he speaks in our fashion / | |
| KLL.FK, | | way' | |

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| Claude | 1. Jews of Sephardic origin | 1. <i>lo muestro</i> (< Sp. <i>nuestro</i> 'our') | |
| Hagège | in Greece before 1944 | 'ours, one of us' | |
| | 2. Guaraní, Paraguay, | | |
| | South Brazil, Bolivia | | |
| | (Andean Equatorial) | | |
| Östen Dahl | Sirionó, Bolivia | nande chëë | - chëë has a very wide range of meanings, but |
| | | 1.pl speech/talk | according to dictionaries its closest English |
| | | 'our talk' | translation should be 'talk' |
| | | VS. | |
| | | mbia chëë | |
| | | 'the people's language/speech' | |
| Valerij | 1. Sango (creolized variant | 1. <i>mbi tene</i> | |
| Khabirov | of an indigenous | ʻI say' | |
| khabir@ | language), Central | | |
| ETEL.RU | African Republic | | |
| | 2. Munukutuba, Kitiba | 2. munu -ku -tuba | |
| | (Bantu), Congo | 1.SG 2.SG say | |
| | | 'I say to you' | |