

ICSTLL45

The 45th International conference on Sino-Tibetan Languages and Linguistics

Nanyang Technological University, Singapore

Conference website: <http://portal.cohass.ntu.edu.sg/ICSTLL45/>



Second circular and call for papers

The 45th International Conference on Sino-Tibetan Languages and Linguistics (ICSTLL45) will be held in Singapore on 26-28 October 2012, hosted by Nanyang Technological University (NTU).

Scholars are invited to submit abstracts of papers dealing with any aspect of linguistics of relevance to research on Sino-Tibetan languages. This encompasses descriptions of phonetics & phonology, morphology, syntax, discourse studies, semantics & pragmatics, language documentation and typology, as well as field reports on recently investigated languages. In addition, abstracts of papers dealing with the history of the Sino-Tibetan-speaking region, population movements, genetic studies, anthropological studies, and the consequences of contact with languages belonging to other linguistic families are invited for submission. Presentations will be of 20 minutes duration, followed by 10 minutes of questions/discussion.

Submission of abstracts (Deadline: 30 April 2012)

Abstracts of papers for the main sessions of ICSTLL45 should be submitted online via EasyChair using this link: <https://www.easychair.org/conferences/?conf=icstll45>. Abstracts should be written in English using a 12 point font and have a maximum length of 350 words. Use a Unicode-compliant font if special characters are required, such as Doulos SIL, which is available as freeware. If you have problems submitting your abstract online, please contact the conference organizers at 45th.ICSTLL@gmail.com.

Pre-conference Workshops (to be held on 25 October 2012)

Austroasiatic workshop

Paul Sidwell (Australian National University) will be coordinating the workshop on Austroasiatic languages. If you are interested in presenting a paper in this workshop, please send your abstract to Paul.Sidwell@anu.edu.au and copy your email to 45th.ICSTLL@gmail.com.

Miao-Yao workshop

Nerida Jarkey (University of Sydney) will be coordinating the workshop on Miao-Yao languages. If you are interested in presenting a paper in this workshop, please send your abstract to Nerida.Jarkey@sydney.edu.au and copy your email to 45th.ICSTLL@gmail.com.

The deadline for submission of Austroasiatic and Miao-Yao workshop abstracts is **30 April 2012**. These should be written in English using a 12 point font and must not exceed 350 words, including references and examples. Please send your abstract as a .pdf file and also as a Word document– if required, a free .pdf converter is available from www.cutepdf.com. The .pdf should omit all references that might identify the author, so as to ensure that the submitted abstracts can be blind-refereed. The duration of presentations and discussion time will be determined once the workshop organizers have an idea of the number of participants involved.

NEW! STEDT workshop

The STEDT project will host a workshop for researchers interested in this large multilingual database of Sino-Tibetan languages. STEDT staff (TBD) will present the content and structure of the STEDT database, provide a tutorial on how to search the database, and teach users how to create their own cognate sets and to propose them for inclusion in the final dictionary/thesaurus. The format will be "hands-on" – participants should bring their own laptops or tablets if possible (though some will be provided). No special software is required to access the database: just a relatively up-to-date web browser (Firefox, Chrome, Explorer, etc.).

Please send an email to stedt@socrates.berkeley.edu to register your interest in attending the STEDT workshop, indicating your preference for the morning or afternoon session. STEDT would appreciate suggestions about the content and organization of the workshop in advance. If there are particular topics you would like to see addressed, please mention these in your message. For more details of the STEDT workshop and the database, please visit <http://stedt.berkeley.edu/icstll45stedtworkshop>.

Important dates

30 April 2012: deadline for submission of abstracts

8 June 2012: notification of acceptance of papers for main sessions of ICSTLL45, and for the Austroasiatic and Miao-Yao workshops

1 September 2012: deadline for early bird registration at the discounted rate (details to follow)

For further enquiries, please contact the conference organizers at 45th.ICSTLL@gmail.com. Information on the website will be updated as conference arrangements progress.

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