

**Workshop: Spatial Patterns of Language Evolution**  
January 24, University of Zurich, Building and Room TBA  
Preliminary Program

| Session 1: Language, Space and the Environment |   |
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| 09:00 – 09:15                                  | Opening   |
| 09:15 – 10:00                                  | <b>Key Note: Descriptively vs mechanistically understanding the spatial patterns in language diversity</b><br>Marco Túlio Pacheco Coelho  |
| 10:00 – 10:15                                  | Coffee Break  |
| 10:15 – 10:45                                  | <b>Global profile of language families supports geographical-axis hypothesis</b><br>Tom Güldemann   |
| 10:45 – 11:15                                  | <b>Spatial Patterns of Language Evolution in Eastern Serbia and Western Bulgaria against the general Balkan linguistic background: an appeal to GIScience</b><br>Andrej Sobolev |
| 11:15 – 11:30                                  | Coffee Break  |
| 11:30 – 12:00                                  | <b>The mutual influence of space and language evolution, e.g. terrain, climate, trade routes or barriers to movement</b><br>Outi Vesakoski                                      |
| 12:00 – 12:30                                  | <b>Finding zones of shared evolution in space</b><br>Peter Ranacher   |

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Lunch Break

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| Session 2: Phylogenetic Inference |  |
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| 13:30 – 14:00                     | <b>Evolution of bound person-number indexes: differences in the rates of change</b><br>Ilja Seržant            |
| 14:00 – 14:30                     | <b>Bayesian phylodynamics reveal the diversification process of Vanuatu's languages</b><br>Konstantin Hoffmann |
| 14:30 – 15:00                     | <b>Migration Beyond Diffusion: Drift in Human Phylogeography</b><br>Nico Neureiter                             |
| 15:00 – 15:30                     | Coffee Break   |
| 15:30 – 16:00                     | <b>Geospatial distributions reflect rates of evolution of features of language</b><br>Henri Kauhanen           |
| 16:00 – 16:30                     | <b>Phylogeography of the Bantu Expansion</b><br>Ezequiel Koile   |
| 16:30 – 17:00                     | Wrap-up and closing session  |

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Workshop dinner

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