



8th International Symposium
on
Processability Approaches to Language Acquisition
(PALA)

15-16 September 2008

Room 1.17, Via Paradiso 6

University of Verona
Verona, Italy

Programme

MONDAY, 15th September

14.00 – 14.05	WELCOME and opening remarks
14.05 – 14.45	Manfred Pienemann , <i>University of Paderborn and University of Newcastle upon Tyne</i> , and Bi-Jar Lin , <i>University of Newcastle upon Tyne</i> Automatic linguistic profiling
14.45 – 15.15	Satomi Kawaguchi , <i>University of Western Sydney</i> Causative structures in second languages: The case of Japanese
15.15 – 15.45	Lucija Medojević , <i>University of Western Sydney</i> The development of the Serbian case marking system in Serbian-Australian teenage bilinguals
15.45 – 16.15	Dagmar Keatinge , <i>University of Paderborn</i> Key issues in designing tasks for data elicitation purposes
16.15 – 16.30	Break
16.30 – 17.00	Elena Nuzzo and Camilla Bettoni , <i>University of Verona</i> Developmental readiness and form-focused instruction: Their effects on the acquisition of object topicalization, passives and exceptional verbs in Italian L2
17.00 – 17.30	Patrizia Berti , <i>Australian National University</i> Developmentally moderated form-focused instruction: A study of classroom implementation
17.30 – 18.00	Xiao Jing Wang , <i>University of Newcastle upon Tyne</i> Grammatical development among Chinese L2 learners: A Processability account
18.00 – 18.40	Jörg-U. Keßler , <i>PH Ludwigsburg, University of Education</i> Applying Processability Theory: Second language acquisition in the primary school EFL classroom – Does it really happen?

TUESDAY, 16th September

8.50 – 9.30	Gisela Håkansson , <i>University of Lund</i> , and Catrin Norrby , <i>University of Melbourne</i> Applying Processability Theory to comprehension and production of morphosyntax in Swedish as a second language
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09.30 – 10.00	Manfred Pienemann , <i>University of Paderborn and University of Newcastle upon Tyne</i> , Jörg-U. Keßler , <i>PH Ludwigsburg University of Education</i> , Dagmar Keatinge and Anke Lenzing , <i>University of Paderborn</i> Transfer at the initial state
10.00 – 10.30	Kristof Baten , <i>University of Ghent</i> Processability Theory and German case acquisition
10.30 – 11.00	Camilla Bettoni , <i>University of Verona</i> , Maria Elena Favilla , <i>University of Modena and Reggio</i> , and Lucia Ferroni , <i>University of Pisa and Az. USL of Lucca</i> Exploring Processability Theory-based hypotheses with aphasic patients
11.00 – 11.30	Break
11.30 – 12.40	Posters: plenary oral presentation
11.30 – 11.35	Tonya Agostini , <i>University of Western Sydney</i> Does a child with High Functioning Autism acquire Italian as a second language following the developmental stages as predicted by Processability Theory? A case study
11.35 – 11.40	Giorgia Ginelli , <i>University of Verona</i> Acquiring interrogatives in Italian L2
11.40 – 11.45	Francesco Romano , <i>University of Essex</i> Testing implicit linguistic knowledge from a Processability perspective: Cross-sectional development of agreement morphology in L2 English and Italian
11.45 – 11.50	Stefania Ferrari , Giorgia Ginelli and Elena Nuzzo , <i>University of Verona</i> Elicitation tasks for Processability Theory in Italian L2
11.50 – 11.55	Mathias Liebner , <i>University of Paderborn</i> Automatic speech recognition of English interlanguage structures
11.55 – 12.00	Anja Plessner , <i>University of Paderborn</i> Writing and speaking in ESL: Is performance steady across the production mode barrier?
12.00 – 12.05	Anke Lenzing , <i>University of Paderborn</i> The grammatical system of early L2 learners of English
12.05 – 12.40	Posters: individual discussion

12.40 – 13.30	Lunch
13.30 – 14.00	Katharina Zipser , <i>Universität Innsbruck</i> Processability Theory in relation to progression of morphosyntactic structures in “Buongiorno! Neu”, an Italian coursebook
14.00 – 14.30	Francesca Lamorgia , <i>Dublin City University</i> The acquisition of postverbal subjects in bilingual children: A case study
14.30 – 15.00	Serena Ambroso and Eleonora Luzi , <i>University of Roma Tre</i> Pragmatic principles in non-linear productions in Italian L2
15.00 – 15.40	Bruno Di Biase , <i>University of Western Sydney</i> From formula to form variation: Prosodic bootstrapping of morphology in Italian L2
15.40 – 15.45	Closing remarks and ARRIVEDERCI

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REGISTRATION

Free, but you **must register** with Giorgia (giorgia.ginelli@gmail.com)
by **SUNDAY, 31st AUGUST**

VENUE

The PALA Symposium will be held in **Room 1.17, 1st floor, Via Paradiso 6**, off the main campus. The venue is centrally located, at 5 minutes walk from the Ponte Navi across the Adige River. After the bridge, go straight along Via S. Paolo, turn left into Via San Vitale, then right into Via Trezza, and finally left into Via Paradiso.

From Verona's Porta Nuova station, Via Paradiso can easily be reached by bus (lines 11, 12, 13, 51: get off at the first stop after the bridge on the Adige), by taxi (c. € 7), or on foot (c. 40 minutes). On the other hand, finding a parking spot in the area is extremely difficult.

Verona can be reached by train, car or aeroplane.

By train, Verona is located along two main lines: Munich-Rome, and Milan-Venice. For information, see www.trenitalia.com.

By car, Verona is located along two main motorways: Brenner-Modena, and Milan-Venice. For information, see www.autostrade.it.

By aeroplane, Verona is close to Catullo Airport (20 minutes by shuttle bus or taxi); see www.aeroporto.verona.it.

The city can also be reached from other airports: Linate or Malpensa near Milan (www.sea-aeroporto.milano.it/en), Orio near Bergamo (www.sabco.it/Airpor/portalProcess.jsp), Marco Polo near Venice (www.veniceairport.it), Marconi near Bologna (www.bologna-airport.it). Train connections from these airports to Verona vary, and can take several hours.

ACCOMMODATION

Participants must arrange their own accommodation in Verona.

See, e.g., www.booking.com/Verona-Italy, www.bedandbreakfast.com/verona-italy.

It is extremely important that you **book soon**, as Verona is a very busy destination.

We can recommend the following hotels and B&B, in walking distance from the venue:

Hotel Antica Porta Leona (www.anticaportaleona.com)

Hotel Giulietta e Romeo (www.giuliettaeromeo.com)

Hotel Accademia (www.accademiavr.it)

Hotel Maxim (www.maximverona.it)

Hotel Aurora (www.hotelaurora.biz)

Bed & Breakfast Ad Centrum (<http://digilander.libero.it/bbfraccaroli/index.htm>)

SOCIAL EVENTS

- Light lunch, just before the Symposium on Monday: at the Fuori Corso caffè (€ 6-12), Via Mazza 7, between noon and 1 pm.
- Dinner on Monday: at the Osteria Sgarzarie (c. € 35), Corte Sgarzarie, at 7.45 pm.

For both events BOOKING is ESSENTIAL

When registering for the Symposium (giorgia.ginelli@gmail.com) by **SUNDAY 31st AUGUST**, please indicate whether you will join, on your own or with a partner.

