Dear ISLE7 attendees,

This is the ThirdCircular for ISLE7. ISLE7 is now just around the corner with only four-ish weeks to go.

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This information is also all included in the first circular pdf attached.

1. Talk formats and time allocation

We received emails about the format and time allocation for talks so please find an overview regarding this below (details apply for both on- and offline):

- Full paper (30 minute slot): 20 minute presentation + 10 minutes Q&A
- Work-in-progress (30 minute slot): 15 minute presentation + 15 minutes Q&A
- **Lightning talks** (final slots in session timing is flexible): 10 minute presentation + 10 minutes Q&A)
- Keynotes (60 minute slot): 50 minute presentation + 10 minutes Q&A

2. Consent form (copyright statement)

This conference will be recorded and shared with other ISLE7 attendees. We ask that **everyone attending (both online and onsite) sign the <u>consent form</u> as soon as possible if you have not already done so.** You can use the consent form link included in this document or follow the link provided on the ISLE7 website (<u>https://languages-cultures.uq.edu.au/isle7</u>).

3. Book of Abstracts

The draft of the Book of Abstracts is available via this link: <u>https://docs.google.com/document/d/1kqxcMe5HjNo8P5ww4nfKU6_wy4IQDJRVI3-G3</u> <u>StBlk/edit?usp=sharing</u> If you want to **revise your abstract**, please feel free to do so in the Google Doc and **follow the style guide** provided after the title page.

Please do not change any other abstracts and do not change the header of your talk (including the title).

Please do not make any additional edits after June 12.

4. Program updates

Please find the (pre-final version of the) program attached as well as ready for download on the ISLE7 website (<u>https://languages-cultures.ug.edu.au/isle7</u>).

We kindly ask you and workshop organizers to check if your talk is included and if everything is okay.

Important: we are aware that the time difference is not ideal for presenters in Europe, but unfortunately it is not feasible for us to accept any further requests to adjust the program.

Please remember that all times are **Australian Eastern Standard Time (AEST)** which is 10 hours ahead of Coordinated Universal Time (UTC) (8h ahead of German time)!

5. Post-Conference Activities

After the conference presentations, there will be free post-conference activities that onsite participants can join. We will provide sign-up sheets during the conference. The joint post-conference activities are

- A Marvelous Brisbane City Botanical Gardens Walk
- A Beautiful Ferry / CityCat Trip to Bretts Wharf and Hamilton
- A Fabulous Queensland Museum Visit with a Subsequent Unforgettable South Bank Stroll

Please do join us in one of these activities to chat and wind down form all the conference hullabaloo of the previous days.

6. Talk Delivery

Talks and presentations will be presented via the following delivery methods:

- Live / on site (this will be zoomed to online attendees and recorded)
- Present online via Zoom
- Submit recordings and they will be played (by the chair). We ask that presenters be available during your talk for the Q&A. **If you do not want to present live**

(onsite or online), please send in recordings either directly or a download link to <u>isle7@uq.edu.au</u> asap and with the following format as the title: last name of first author_full title of talk.

So far, we have received the following recordings:

- Bernaisch_Empirical traces of the pragmatic nativisation of Sri Lankan English
- Berner_The very problem the problem of using very as a diagnostic for lexicality
- Dollinger_On unaddressed bias
- Hirano_A Linguistic Change and its Directional Shift among British Residents in Japan
- Leclercq_May and might as post-modal markers of concession
- Mittendorfer_Discourse Functions And Placement_An Analysis Of Dislocation In English
- Schuetzler_Variable vowel contrasts in Scottish Standard English
- Vela-Rodrigo_A Phraseological Study Of Environment
- Zhou_A comparative study of rhetorical strategies and their influencing factors in the monologue verbal humor

Please get in touch and send through the recording asap if it is not in the list above but you would like us to play the pre-recorded talk.

The links to recordings of sessions will be made available on the ISLE7 Slack channel (we will make the Slack channel available to registered attendees closer to the conference start).

7. Online activities

For online participants we will offer online activities (**Table quizzes** and other engagement activities) as alternatives to onsite events. **Please make use and take part in the online activities to allow especially junior researchers to get to know other attendees and to connect with more established researchers.**

8. Practical info for onsite participants

GoCard

Once you arrive at the airport, we strongly suggest you buy a GoCard which you use to pay for public transport. GoCards can be bought at the airport train stations as well as in many kiosks and 7/11s.

Weather and clothing

In Australia, June is a winter month. This means that it is much colder here in Brisbane than during the summer months (December to February). I can get pretty chilly although today we

had 23°C (but only 9°C at night). On average, day-time temperatures in June vary between 12 and 21°C (there are on average 4 rain days in June here).

Conference location

The conference will take place in the Gordon Greenwood Building (Building 32) on the St. Lucia campus of UQ. All conference rooms are on level 2 of Gordon Greenwood.

Public transport

Public transport works pretty well in Brisbane (apart from the driving style of the bus drivers which is something of an experience for tourists). You pay by tapping your **GoCard** on when entering the bus and tapping off when leaving the bus. Do not pay with cash and you cannot pay with credit card (unlike Sydney). The two nearest and easiest to reach bus stations/stops are **UQ Lakes** and **UQ Chancellors Place**. From both stops you can easily get to the conference venue within 5 minutes without haste.

Please do get in touch if you have any other questions or concerns.

9. Technical set-up

We will use **Zoom** for individual sessions, talk delivery, and Q&As. We will use **Slack** for socializing, announcements, and for getting in touch with organizers (as a more immediate alternative to email). In addition, we will use Padlet as information boards and for online activities.

Do get in touch if you have any queries or issues.

Very best wishes from Brisbane, The ISLE7 organizing team