# Computational Phylogenetics and Language (Pre)history:
## Achievements, Challenges & Prospects

**PROGRAMME**

Tuesday 23rd May 2023

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| 09:30-10:00 | Registration |
| 10:00-11:00 | **What do we need phylogenies for, if they're not the end goal?** (Weak) biases and selection in language evolution. Dan Dediu (ICREA & University of Barcelona) |
| 11:00-12:00 | **Approaching the language faculty with phylogenetic methods** Balthasar Bickel (University of Zurich) |
| 12:00-12:30 | Coffee Break |
| 12:30-13:30 | **Why appropriate measures and methods in typology and historical linguistics matter** Annemarie Verkerk (Universität des Saarlandes) |
| 13.30 -15.30 | Lunch Break |
| 15.30 -16.30 | **Generative syntax and language (pre)history** Cristina Guardiano (Università di Modena e Reggio Emilia) |
| 16.30 – 17.30 | **Evaluating the phylogenetic signal of morphosyntax** The ModelGloss Team Pavlos Pavlidis (University of Crete/FORTH), Manolis Ladoukakis (University of Crete), Christos Zioutis (University of Crete), Maria-Margarita Makri (University of Crete/Hellenic Open University), Dimitris Michelioudakis (AUTH), Ruby Sleeman (University of Crete), Elena Anagnostopoulou (University of Crete) |

Wednesday 24th May 2023

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| 9:00-10:00 | **Adapting methods from evolutionary biology to explore language evolution.** Lindell Bromham (Australian National University) |
| 10:00-11:00 | **The added value of comparative phylogenetic methods as an instrument for language reconstruction: a look at gender systems.** Gerd Carling (Goethe University Frankfurt am Main) |
| 11:00-11:30 | Coffee Break |

| 11:30-12:30 | **Quantifying the Evolutionary Dynamics of Language Systems**<br>Simon Greenhill (University of Auckland & Max Planck Institute for Evolutionary Anthropology) |
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| 12:30-13:30 | The evolutionary behavior of words, languages, and texts<br>Michael Dunn (Uppsala University) |
| 13:30-15:30 | Lunch Break |
| 15:30-16:30 | **General and Language-specific Aspects of Phylogenetic Inference**<br>Luise Häuser (Karlsruhe Institute for Technology) & Alexandros Stamatakis (Foundation for Research and Technology & Heidelberg Institute for Theoretical Studies & Karlsruhe Institute for Technology) |
| 16:30-17:30 | **Typological features and diachrony: bigger data and better ideas**<br>Søren Wichmann (Kiel University) |

## Thursday 25th May 2023

| 9:00-10:00 | **More Weight!**<br>James Clackson (University of Cambridge) |
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| 10:00-11:00 | **Beyond cognacy**<br>Gerhard Jäger (University of Tübingen) |
| 11:00-11:30 | Coffee Break |
| 11:30-12:30 | **Population genetic approaches as an alternative to phylogenetics in revealing linguistic history**<br>Outi Vesakowski (University of Turku) |
| 12:30-13:30 | **From phonology to phylogeny: Toward event-based modeling in historical linguistics**<br>David Goldstein (University of California, Los Angeles) |