8th International Conference on Maltese Linguistics
“The next century of Maltese linguistics”

Monday, 18th September

8:30-9:00 Registration
9:00-9:30 Introduction
  plenary talk (chair Maike Vorholt)
  Andrea Avram
  Thezan’s “Le regole per la lingua maltese” and the historical phonology of Maltese
9:30-10:30 coffee break

session 1 (chair Slavomír Čéplö)

11:00-11:30 Michael Marinaccio
  The Maltese broken plural: Getting to the root of the issue
11:30-12:00 Sara Court, Andrea D. Sims, Micha Elsner
  Quantifying Factors Shaping the Morphological Integration of Non-Semitic Nouns in Maltese
12:00-12:30 Raffaello Bezzina
  Word formation in Maltese: restrictions in loan derivational suffixes
12:30-14:00 lunch break

session 2 (chair Thomas Stolz)

14:00-14:30 Michela Vella
  Maltese First Language Acquisition of the Plural
14:30-15:00 Romario Sciberras
  Poststructuralist approaches in the study of gender-neutral possibilities in Maltese
15:00-15:30 Przemysław Turek
  Christian terms of Arabic or Semitic origin in Maltese
15:30-16:00 coffee break

session 3 (chair Ray Fabri)

16:00-16:30 Jessica Schulz
  The Effect of Language Context on Attention in Maltese-English Bilinguals: Combining a Cognitive and Sociolinguistic Approach
16:30-17:00 Jacqueline Zammit
  Could the Future teaching and learning of Maltese Language include Virtual Reality?
17:00-17:30 Arnold Cassola
  L-ikla t-tajba Guten Appetit: 17th century Maltese cuisine through the "Regole per la lingua maltese" - With some linguistic considerations
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session 4 (chair Andrei Avram)

plenary talk

Dominique Caubet
Reconsidering the Arabic of Pantelleria from its traces in modern Pantesco, “with a little help from”… Maltese

10:00-10:30

Evan D. Bradley
Acceptability of nonbinary and gender-neutral constructions in Maltese

10:30-11:00

coffee break

session 5 (chair Chris Lucas)

11:00-11:30

Michael Spagnol, Ray Fabri, Alexandra Vella
10 years of research on the dialects of Malta and Gozo

Márton Iványi
Cases of “double-fold insularity:” analogies and contrasts in terms of multidimensional experiences of the Gozitan dialects and the Székely-Csángó language island (Sprachinsel) vis-a-vis the Arabic-Maltese and Hungarian-Székely Sprachräume respectively

11:30-12:00

Maike Vorholt
Coordinated compound prepositions in Maltese

12:00-12:30

lunch break

session 6 (chair Michela Vella)

14:00-14:30

Slavomír Čéplö, Erika Just
A corpus-driven account of indirect object indexing in Maltese

David Wilmsen
Object reduplication in Maltese, Arabic, and Romance: Two contacts, one, or none?

14:30-15:00

Ray Fabri
Secondary predication in Maltese

15:00-15:30

coffee break

session 7 (chair Ruben van de Vijver)

16:00-16:30

Kirsty Azzopardi
The argument structure of motion verbs in Maltese

Maris Camilleri
The Imperfective Cycle as manifest in Maltese

16:30-17:00

19:00

conference dinner
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Wednesday, 20th September

session 8 (chair Dominique Caubet)
9:00-9:30 Leanne Ellul, Clare Azzopardi
**Heading towards definitions of silence: An analysis of synonymous noun**

Thomas Stolz
9:30-10:00
**But, but, but - On the coexistence of the adversative connectors imma, iżda, and però in contemporary Maltese**

Michael Spagnol, Chris Lucas
10:00-10:30
**Vowel sequences in Maltese verbs**

coffee break

session 9 (chair Michael Spagnol)
11:00-11:30 Jessica Nieder, Ruben van de Vijver, Adam Ussishkin
**Maltese auditory word comprehension explained through discriminative learning**

Alexandra Vella
11:30-12:00
**Maltese (and Maltese English) prosody research: back and forth from the lab (in)to the wild**

Gilbert Puech
12:00-12:30
**Complex vowels in Maltese: length and diphthongization**

lunch break

session 10 (chair Raffaello Bezzina)
14:00-14:30 Slavomír Čepičk
**How to build a cathedral**

14:30-15:15 **Glossing workshop** (Ray Fabri)

coffee break

15:45-16:45 **GhILM business meeting**