

DOCTORAL PROGRAMME

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Multilingualism: Acquisition, Education, and Society
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PhD Workshop

Knowledge mobilisation in multilingualism research Tracing research impact and transgressing boundaries of knowing

Guest speaker: **Prof. Sari Pietikäinen**, University of Jyväskylä, Finland
Chair: Prof. Alexandre Duchêne, University of Fribourg

Abstract

Knowledge mobilisation is a term used to describe a process of connecting research to practice and policy. As researchers, teachers and students, we are facing an increasing demand by our institutions and funding agencies to make our research accessible to the wider audience, to increase direct social impact of our findings, and to facilitate social innovations. For many of us, relevant research is a genuine goal that motivates our work.

In this workshop, I will reflect knowledge mobilisation practices developed in Jyväskylä discourse studies, through a web-site called discourse hub (<http://www.discoursehub.fi/>). This is an interactive space for sharing and developing new ideas, on-going research and best practices related to critical discourse studies, multilingualism and minority languages. I will also share experiences related to collaborative community and research activities in multilingual indigenous Sámi community, developed in a context of the Peripheral multilingualism (www.peripheralmultilingualism.fi) research project. The research-practice nexus challenges us to rethink and transgress the boundaries of knowledge production as well as categories of knowledge producers and end-users. Knowledge mobilization practices allow us to imagine and engage with alternative ways of co-creating locally meaningful solutions and practices through dialogue. At the same time, these practices propose critical questions regarding this new politics of knowledge production.

Location

➤ Institute of Multilingualism, rue de Morat 24, 1700 Fribourg, room K1.03.

PhD programme on Multilingualism

The workshop is part of the doctoral programme Multilingualism: Acquisition, Education, and Society (module B, sociolinguistics). It is organised by the Institute of Multilingualism and the study domain Multilingualism and foreign languages, at the University of Fribourg and carried out in close collaboration with the Center for the Study of Language and Society of the University of Bern and with professors of the University of Lausanne.

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Participation conditions

The number of participants is limited. Doctoral students of the programme's partner universities (Fribourg, Berne, and Lausanne) have priority. Students from other Swiss universities may participate if there are places left.

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Deadline for registration

➤ Friday, December 20, 2013

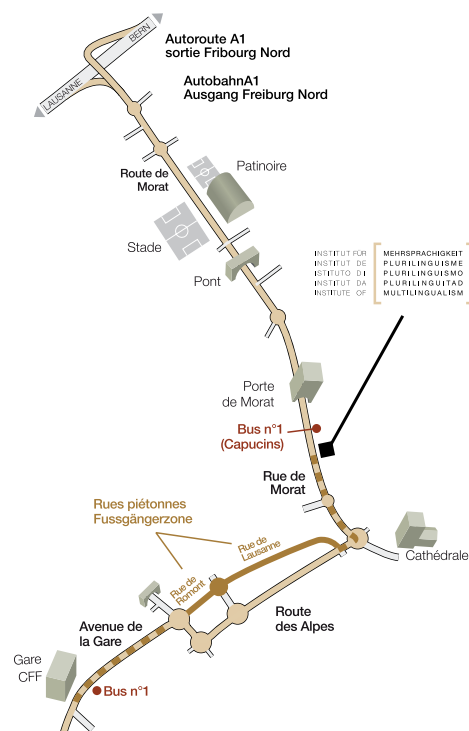
About the guest speaker

Sari Pietikäinen is a professor of discourse studies at the department of languages, University of Jyväskylä, Finland. Working within the fields of applied linguistics, discourse studies and multilingualism studies, her research interests include changing multilingualisms, indigenous Sámi community and shifting boundaries between languages and their users. She is currently directing an international research project (*peripheral multilingualism*) which is a critical sociolinguistic ethnography of contestation and innovation in multilingual Sámi, Corsican, Irish and Welsh indigenous and minority language contexts. Among her recent publications are *Multilingualism and the periphery* (2013, Oxford University press) edited together with Helen Kelly-Holmes and *Multilingual dynamics in Sámi land: A rhizomatic discourse approach to changing language* (in International Journal of Bilingualism 2013).

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