

LinPin 2026

Linguistics Ph.D. Students in NRW
15 September 2026, IBZ TU Dortmund, Emil-Figge-Str. 59

09:30-10:00	Registration	
10:00-10:15	Welcome and Opening by the Dean of the Faculty of Cultural Studies	
10:15-10:45	Keynote	
10:45-11:00	Coffee Break	
	Sessions I	
Panels	Discourse and Conversation <i>(Room will be announced on conference day)</i>	English(es) around the World <i>(Room will be announced on conference day)</i>
11:00-11:30	<i>(Discourse-)Commitments als Elemente politischer Positionierung. Zur theoretischen Verknüpfung von linguistischer Diskursanalyse und Pragmatik im Kontext von politischen Talkshows im Gender-Diskurs</i> Marius Wecker (Ruhr University Bochum)	<i>Moving beyond the borders – Global Linguistic Landscape patterns in (non-)border regions</i> Jan-André Diederich (University of Cologne)
11:30-12:00	<i>“How well do common conversational dominance indicators actually measure conversational dominance?”</i> Martin Schopen (RWTH Aachen University)	<i>The Role of the English Language in Divided Cyprus – Dominant Language Constellations in the North and South of the Island</i> Erna Selmanović (TU Dortmund University)
12:00-12:30	<i>Bulgarian invariant tag questions (TQ) in natural conversation</i> India Biró (University of Cologne)	<i>Attitudes of Vietnamese EFL university students towards varieties of English: a mixed methods sequential explanatory study</i> Thi Nhung Nguyen (University of Münster)
12:30-14:00	Lunch Break at the TU Dortmund canteen	

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14:00-14:45	Poster Session <i>(Room will be announced on conference day)</i>
	<i>Type and Modality of Access to Events: Evidential Marking in Turkish</i> Rabia Melek Çetin (TU Dortmund University) <i>From Ignorance to Awareness: The Role of Educational Policies in Shaping Learners' Attitudes towards Global Englishes</i> Hala Youssef (University of Münster) <i>Modal Expressions of Obligation and Necessity in Chinese Englishes: A corpus-based sociolinguistic and semantic investigation</i> Jingqi He (University of Münster)

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	Sessions II	
Panels	Language as a System and its Use <i>(Room will be announced on conference day)</i>	Language and Society <i>(Room will be announced on conference day)</i>
14:45-15:15	<i>On the system of nominal classifiers in the Fe'efe'e language</i> Anne Yosseu (Heinrich-Heine University Düsseldorf)	<i>Multilingualism motivates – Learning a neighbouring language and Foreign Language Enjoyment</i> Karen Wallrich (University of Duisburg-Essen)
15:15-15:45	<i>Understanding synonyms in context – A visual-world eye-tracking study on the metalinguistic awareness of pre-school children from different linguistic backgrounds</i> Sarah Dresch (TU Dortmund University)	<i>Between recognition and invisibility? Sociolinguistic perspectives on different types of Heritage Languages with examples from Upper Sorbian, Kurmancî, Turkish and Polish in Germany</i> Franziska Möller (Ruhr University Bochum)
15:45-16:15	<i>Derivational phonology without cyclicity</i> Dmitrii Zelenskii (University of Edinburgh)	<i>Reporting Catastrophe: A Corpus Analysis of Emotionalisation in Quality and Popular News Writing from 2011 to 2024</i> Vanessa Hagenschulte (University of Duisburg-Essen)
16:15-16:45	<i>The Use of Verbal Aspect in Polish as a Heritage Language – Findings from a Reformulation Task</i> Agnieszka Zawadzka (Ruhr-University Bochum)	
16:45-open	Closing	

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Venue

LinPin takes place at the IBZ building of TU Dortmund University, located at the North Campus. The address is the following:

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Emil-Figge-Straße 59
44227 Dortmund

The nearest train stop is “Dortmund Universität (S-Bahn)”. The train line “S1” stops here every 15 minutes (but beware of the very frequent delays/cancelled trains!). From the train station, you walk 8-10 minutes (550 m). The map on the right shows available parking areas (free parking) and the walking route from the train station “Dortmund Universität” (S1).

Certificate of Attendance

Participants will receive a digital certificate of attendance after the conference.

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