



CALL FOR PAPERS

53rd Poznań Linguistic Meeting (PLM2025)

21–24 September 2025

“Human language: Is it unique?”

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We are very happy to announce the 53rd edition of the Poznań Linguistic Meeting on **21–24 September 2025**. The meeting will be organized by the Faculty of English, Adam Mickiewicz University, Poznań, Poland.

For the 53rd Poznań Linguistic Meeting, we invite you to reflect on the fascinating question: “Human language: is it unique?” Linguists have long debated whether language is a universal human trait, distinct in its complexity and structure from all other forms of animal communication. This year, we ask: What makes human language stand apart, if anything? Is its creativity, generativity, and syntax truly without parallel in the animal kingdom? Or are there aspects of language that share common ground with other communicative systems? We welcome submissions from all linguistic domains and perspectives that explore the nature of human language, its universality, and its potential uniqueness.

Submission guidelines

Proposals of thematic/workshop sessions and papers are invited for both oral and poster presentations related to the leitmotif, as well as to other topics within modern linguistics.

Each paper in the general oral sessions will be given 30 minutes, including 10 minutes for discussion. Poster sessions will form an integral part of the conference programme. The number of submissions is limited to one single-authored plus one co-authored abstract per author (or two co-authored ones). The language of the conference is English. All abstracts will be processed using the Microsoft CMT management system. The submissions will be reviewed by our International Advisory Board. Please visit our website for more detailed abstract submission guidelines, along with abstract review criteria.

We also invite proposals for **thematic/workshop sessions**. A proposal for a workshop session should include a clear statement of its objectives/topic/message (about 300 words) as well as at least four names of proposed speakers (with affiliations), and a sample bibliography.

Thematic workshop proposals will be subject to review by our International Advisory Board. Please note that the organiser(s) of a thematic/workshop session will be expected to solicit submissions, **advertise** the session through appropriate channels, and manage the reviewing process within MCMT. We reserve the right to make final decisions regarding the inclusion of thematic/workshop session papers in the programme

Important dates

- Submission deadline for thematic session proposals: 10 January 2025
- Notification of acceptance for thematic sessions: 31 January 2025
- Submission deadline for general session abstracts (oral and poster sessions): 28 February 2025
- (Individual thematic and special sessions may have their own deadlines)
- Notification of acceptance: April 2025

Looking forward to seeing you in Poznań!

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