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#22 / Second phase rolls on

Dear all,

Job advertisements, interviews, application process, general meeting and board meeting: the CRC started the second funding phase with great enthusiasm. So the start of the lecture-free period is perhaps just the right time to recharge our energy reserves. With this in mind: stay healthy, cheerful and prominent!

Best wishes,
Eva Mika

Events

🇩🇪 🇯🇵 From February 22-23, 2021 the 6th International Workshop of the series [German Linguistics between Cologne and Tokyo](#) (GAKT) will take place at the University of Cologne. This year's theme is "[From Event to Discourse](#)". If you have any questions or want to register, please contact the organizer Semra Kizilkaya ([semra.kizilkaya\(at\)uni-koeln.de](mailto:semra.kizilkaya@uni-koeln.de)).



👤 👤 Career Development and Promotion

On February 5, the CRC coordination invited all Postdocs of the second phase to a meeting to talk about mutual plans, expectations and needs for the next four

years. It was especially exciting to hear about what had been the biggest learning experiences during the first phase and to listen to the challenges lying ahead. The participants discussed how to implement support structures that are aimed specifically at Postdocs in the linguistic field and defined five strategies, which will be developed together:

- practical tips for postdoc grants
- mentoring for application process
- leadership trainings
- specific planning of networking & collaboration
- developing a specific profile

We will also establish a buddy system to give new PhD-candidates a warm and welcoming start in the CRC. Stay tuned for updates on next steps and offers 😊

👩👨👦 The upcoming **General Assembly** will take place on April 12, 2021 from 2 - 4 p.m. If you have any questions regarding the Assembly, please contact Michael Remmy ([mremmy\(at\)uni-koeln.de](mailto:mremmy(at)uni-koeln.de)).

📅📅 The next rounds of the internal "**Prominence Days**" are planned for May 7, 2021 (1-6 p.m.) and June 14, 2021 (1-6 p.m.).

🏠🏠 Since we cannot invite our four **Mercator Fellows** to Cologne, we have invited them to Zoom lectures in the [CCLS Lecture series](#) (stay tuned), two in the summer semester and two in the winter semester. Afterwards we would like to provide the opportunity for projects to present their research to the fellow.

CRC on the road (Online-edition) 🇩🇪

Doris Mücke (A04) held a digital talk with the title "Prosodic prominence in typical and atypical speech" at the Séminaires de Recherches en Phonétique et Phonologie ([SRPP](#)) at Paris on February 5, 2021.

CRC with two workshops

at DGfS 2021



From February 23-26, 2021 the 43th annual **DGfS conference** will take place at the University of Freiburg (online, of course). Two CRC projects will organize workshops – "Empirical approaches to canonical and non-canonical uses of negation" (A06) and "Eye-tracking and language production" (B06). Many other projects will participate the conference. All events the CRC has already organized can be found on the [CRC website](#).

Staff News



We welcome Jona, the latest SFBaby, who was born on 19 December, 2020. Congratulations to Frederike Weeber (C04) and her family! 🍀

Three questions for...

... the three new PIs within the CRC.



Eugen Hill, [B08 - Non-canonical alignment and agreement patterns in East Baltic](#)

When i think of the CRC, i think of.....

Canadian cranberries which always appear in the shops at the time of the DFG-decision on our CRC.

Working from home is for me.....

resembling prison. I need personal interaction with colleagues and their feedback on my plans and ideas.

What colleagues should know about me:

I'm actually less nerdy than I'm trying to appear.



Alice Mitchell, Co-PI [B02 - Split case marking and constituent order in East Africa](#)

When I think of the CRC, I think of...

collegiality and supportive conditions for researchers at all stages of their careers. And red things!

Working from home is for me..... fine, though preferably a choice you make at the end of a long week. Like all of us, I'll be glad to return to an in-person working environment.

What colleagues should know about me: I'm just about to go on maternity leave so I may be very quiet for a while! But I'm really looking forward to getting started in the CRC when I am back in the winter semester.



Pamela Perniss, PI B09 - Prominence in action: referent representation in German Sign Language (DGS)

When i think of the CRC, i think of... a fantastic community of researchers and a wonderful group of people. The strong commitment to both scholarship and friendship was apparent from the start, and I look forward to the journey ahead. I am truly excited to be a part of the CRC.

Working from home is for me..... something I've adjusted to quite well, but I really miss going to the office and the atmosphere of interaction. I'm sure this resonates with everyone. I considered my daily cycle to work to be sufficient exercise. Now, too often, I realize with horror that I haven't left the house in multiple days. That and planning too many back-to-back meetings, separated only by a click in Zoom, are the downsides of working from home for me.

What colleagues should know about me: I don't know if this qualifies as something that colleagues should know, but it may qualify as a fun fact. When I was a student in Tübingen (before transferring to Köln, in fact), I worked as a student assistant for the

Verbmobil project, annotating German and English sentences from spoken corpora - the so-called Tübingen treebanks. A primary interest was being able to deal with hesitations and false starts in automatic translation of spontaneous speech. As a German-English bilingual, the job fell into my lap at the time. I didn't realize until later just how interesting and massive the project was.

Recent publications

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Patterson, Clare & Claudia Felser. 2021. Cleft focus and antecedent accessibility: The emergence of the anti-focus effect. In Anke Holler, Katja Suckow & Israel de la Fuente (eds.), [Information structuring in discourse](#), 56–85. Leiden: Brill.

Roessig, Simon. 2021. [Categoriality and continuity in prosodic prominence](#). Berlin: Language Science Press.

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Anything new coming up?

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