#10 | Time to celebrate - not only Christmas

Dear all, towards the end of 2018 we are happy to celebrate that 1) the history of funding CRCs in Germany is 50 years old now and 2) our PI of B07, Beatrice Primus, has been committed to researching agentivity at least 50 years given that she started early. We will be able to celebrate her 65th birthday as well as her extraordinary scientific research career on November 26. Silvia Kutscher, a former employee of Beatrice Primus, will give a CCLS-talk on **Iconicity in graphic communication: A semiotic view on Egyptian hieroglyphs** at 6 p.m. in S11, Seminargebäude. The reception will take place at the Dozentencafé in the main building at 7:30 p.m.. Beatrice Primus, Petra Schumacher, Sophie Repp and Klaus von Heusinger cordially invite all members of the CRC to join and help celebrate!

Enjoy the colorful trees and sunshine **Annalena Wasiri**

Thank you to the DFG for making excellent research on the highest level possible! Ask your PI if you want to know more about our CRC’s proposal phase before some of you started in 2017. **Watch Paula aka the PIs on how to propose a CRC.**

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**Prominence in Language November Issue(s)**

**October 11-12**

Echo on the CRC-Klausurtagung in Gummersbach - Thank you for your participation! **Klaus von Heusinger** highly appreciates the PhD student's input - **We have excellent PhD students!**

**November 29, 4 p.m., at Spitzboden HoP**

As the fast approaching holiday season is the season for toys and play, **Sonja Eisenbeiß** is going to present her **toolkit for the creation of language games and data collection tools.** You can explore the materials and see how you could easily produce and use them to create your own toys, play mats, bags, and story capes. Maybe you can even think of some new uses. There will be seasonal treats and you can bring your children!

View our group picture from the Klausurtagung on our website.
3 Qs to Ingmar Brilmayer, Postdoc at B07

What do you like most about your work in B07/in the CRC? The collaboration with colleagues from different backgrounds and with different perspectives on language and linguistics.

What's your favourite spot at the HoP? Our coffee machine.

What are you doing on weekends? Not science - if I can.

Workshop Neuroscientific methods in language and music cognition research

November 22: Workshop on Neuroscientific methods in language and music cognition research with Doris Mücke from project A04 together with Rie Asano. Please register here for the event if you want to participate.
Sudan

A03 and B05 went on field work to Papua, Manokwari and the highlands close to Wamena, as well as Tolitoli, Sulawesi, Indonesia - you can get a first hand travelogue during lunch breaks at our HoP lounge! The right picture shows Sonja Riesberg in Apahapsili with Yali native speaker Saulus Walianggen.

B03 - Gertrud Schneider-Blum will leave for Khartoum, Sudan at the end of December - due to ongoing unrest in the Nuba mountains, she will stay in Khartoum.

Conferences in Italy and the U.S.

Semra Kizilkaya B04 reported on Differential Object Marking, partitivity and specificity in Turkish with International Fellow Jaklin Kornfilt (in the top left in the picture) and Klaus von Heusinger at WAFL 14 (Workshop on Altaic Formal Linguistics). B04 Associate Elyesa Seidel (2nd from the right in the picture) gave a talk on Bare direct objects in Turkish: pseudo-incorporated or weak arguments.

Semra Kizilkaya and Kurt Malcher B05 attended the conference STAS (the shaping of transitivity and argument structure) at the University of Pavia, Italy. Kurt Malcher reported on Voice and basic valency orientation in Totoli and chaired two talks because someone had dropped out - kudos for the spontaneity!
Plantology at HoP

What happened to the ginger farm at the Malcher/Bracks office 2.08, #9 newsletter? Kurt would appreciate a helping hand as watering the plants has been difficult. Who has a green thumb and can help out? Please contact kurt.malcher@uni-koeln.de

Short notes

Did you know that the DFG gender funds were initiated in 2008 and that the first CRC with a project INF launched in 2009? Read more facts about CRCs [here](#) or take a copy of the DFG magazine [forschung](#) issue 3/2018 at our HoP lounge.

**Maria Andreou** and **Claudia Rizzo** (C03) are organising a winter school on "Biliterate development in diverse contexts" together with professors and students of the University of Thessaloniki (through the DAAD collaboration between the University of Cologne and the University of Thessaloniki). It will take place Dec 13-14 2018 at Spitzboden, HoP. More information will follow.

**Clare Patterson** and **Sara Meuser** are back from maternity leave! Welcome back! You can find them at our family friendly office on the 3rd floor, room 3.08!

**Petra Schumacher** is taking a semester off for research - **Marco Garcia Garcia** is still a.r.t.e.s. mentor and is getting support from **Chris Bongartz** for this winter term.

You would like to give input for the next newsletter? Please send a message to **Annalena Wasiri** a.wasiri@uni-koeln.de

**Arndt Riester** joined us in October 2018 to substitute Diana Kolev regarding professoral teaching at our CRC. Welcome! The goal of his research in general has been to combine exciting aspects of formal pragmatic theories with naturally occurring corpus data (and, thus, perhaps to give theoretical linguistic research a bit more street credibility). You can contact him in room 4.11 at HoP or via ariester@uni-koeln.de.

Diana Dimitrova got married during the summer of 2018 and is named now **Diana Kolev**. She also gave birth to a baby girl in October. All the best for her family!