

## Fourth Conference on the Endangered Languages of East Asia

*On(c)e and (for) all*

Ca' Foscari University of Venice – May 5-8, 2026

Day 1 : Tuesday May 5, 2026

9:00 – 10:00 | Registration

10:00 – 10:30 | Welcome speech

**10:30 – 11:30 | Plenary session 1**

- *Uralic languages of Siberia: Expression of singularity and entirety* (Elena Skribnik)

11:30 – 12:00 | Coffee break

**12:00 – 13:00 | First session – Phonology and ideophones**

- *Register as a once and for all phonological upheaval. Evidence from the phonology of Kha Phong, an endangered and underdescribed Vietic language* (Albert Badosa Roldós, Ta Thanh Tan & Tran Quang Minh)\*
- *Two ways of 'drawing in language': A comparison of Amami & Ishigaki ideophones* (Madoka Hammine, Bonnie McLean & Martha Tsutsui)\*

13:00 – 15:00 | Lunch

**15:00 – 16:30 | Second session – Areal linguistics**

- *Morphological vs. suppletive ordinal numerals in Tungusic* (Natalia Stoynova)
- *Turkic numeral classifiers in a comparative and typological perspective* (Irina Nevskaya, Saule Tazhibaeva & Wulidanayi Jumabai)\*
- *Encoding 'all' and totality in Kazakh* (Raima Auyeskhan)

16:30 – 17:00 | Coffee break

**17:00 – 18:00 | Third session – Egophoricity**

- *Egophoricity and tense in Eastern Yugur non-verbal predication* (Qibin Zhang)
- *Adapting Indigenous units to a regional whole: The egophoric-sensory-factual system in Lamo* (Qiang Li)

Day 2 : Wednesday May 6, 2026

**10:00 – 11:00 | Plenary session 2**

- *Innovations in counting in Amdo and beyond* (Hans Nugteren)

11:00 – 11:30 | Coffee break

**11:30 – 13:00 | First session – Semantic change and sociolinguistics**

- *Semantic change in the Ryukyuan body part lexicon* (John Huisman)\*
- *From minimal units to the whole: Two pathways to totality in languages of China* (Xiaoqing Liang)
- *Which Tuvan for Mongolia? Voices from the taiga and the question of a standard* (Elisabetta Ragagnin)

13:00 – 15:00 | Lunch

**15:00 – 16:30 | Second session – Language change and attitudes**

- *Individual variation during the revitalization process and language attitudes among Kalmyk-Oirat speakers* (Vlada Baranova)
- *Beyond languages and speakers: Expanding the language attitudes framework to institutions and events in minoritized language contexts* (Silja Ijas)
- *One language and multiple scripts? A preliminary case study of orthography choices in Ainu textbooks* (Saana Santalahti & Silja Ijas)

16:30 – 17:00 | Coffee break

**17:00 – 18:00 | Third session – Language description (Part 1)**

- *The numeric system of Tsharza Rma* (Rong Zhaxi & Ludwig Adisiswoyo)
- *A typology of the Kra numeral systems* (Andreas Hölzl)\*

Day 3 : Thursday May 7, 2026**9:30 – 11:00 | First session – Morphosyntax (Part 1, Languages of China and Austroasiatic)**

- *On the non-prototypical singular-plural number system in nDrapa* (Zetao Xu & Victor Junnan Pan)\*
- *Plurality and unitization in Dongxiang: Evidence for a transitional nominal system under Chinese contact* (Julie Lefort)
- *'One' in many places: Numeral classifiers and scope in Koho (Di Linh, Vietnam)* (Trang Phan & Quy Tran Nguyen)

11:00 – 11:30 | Coffee break

**11:30 – 13:00 | Second session – Morphosyntax (Part 2, Mongolic and Para-Mongolic)**

- *Numerals in Khitan: A typological and areal perspective* (Davide Rizzi)
- *Singularity and plurality in Dagur: A comparison with Middle Mongolian* (Joanna Dolinska)
- *Fusion or archaism? The unique accusative-genitive suffix in peripheral Mongolic languages* (Saiyinjiya Caidengduerji)

13:00 – 15:00 | Lunch

**15:00 – 16:00 | Third session – Morphosyntax (Part 3, Ainuic and Chukotko-Kamchatkan)**

- *From two to one: Paratactic clause chaining as a source of complex predicates in Ainuic* (Anna Bugaeva)\*
- *Number in Itelmen nouns* (Chikako Ono)

16:00 – 16:30 | Coffee break

**16:30 – 17:30 | Fourth session – Morphosyntax (Part 4, Japonic)**

- *Menna(-gi), me:-bi, tende-tendera, tetsu-tetsu, tori-tsutsu...: Expressions of distributivity and totalisation in Hachijō* (Étienne Baudel)
- *Quinary system and reduplication: The two diachronic layers of native Japonic numerals* (Aleksandra Jarosz)

19:00 | Conference dinner

Day 4 : Friday May 8, 2026

**9:30 – 11:00 | First session – Language description (Part 2)**

- *'One' and 'all' in Budai Rukai: Individuation and additivity* (Cheng-Fu Chen)
- *One and all in the Khamnigan language: Formal expression and semantic distinction* (Arzhaana Syuryun & Viacheslav Ivanov)\*

11:00 – 11:30 | Concluding speech

11:30 – 12:00 | Coffee break