CALL for workshop groups, Terraling workshop

Dear all,

The 2021 Terraling workshop will take place online on October 21-23 (9am-12 PDT/6pm-9pm CET).

Description:

The workshop will consist of 3-4 thematic working groups on specific topics that have been investigated using Terraling or for which there are specific plans to investigate them via Terraling. Each working group will be in charge of organizing and chairing their own session at the workshop.

Each working group will be in charge of planning a session of 2 or 2.5 hours that should ideally include multiple presentations of different types, for example:

(i) Talks on the data already collected on this topic using Terraling (if there is any). These could be longer typological/cross-linguistic talks, 10-minute "squibs" on the data from a particular language or on a particular subquestion, or both. (Note that this "squib" format might be a good way to get language experts for understudied languages involved in the event.)

(ii) Presentations of or discussion on work in progress, e.g. a questionnaire that will be turned into Terraling property sets, or even just a plan for future research.

In addition, we strongly suggest that each group should invite (at least) one external expert on the group topic, namely, someone who is not yet involved with the database but who you believe should be involved. The external member could be invited for a talk, or contribute in other ways the working group may see fit.

The idea is that someone from the Terraling community proposes a thematic group via Discord and then people interested in it can join this group. Of course, everyone is free to join multiple working groups (although everyone should propose/chair at most one thematic session). Ideally, each working group should involve both syntacticians and semanticists. Each group will have its own Discord channel (email us if you want to join). If there turn out to be more than four natural clusters of topics, we might suggest merging some of the thematically related groups.

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If you have an idea for such a thematic group and would like to organize and chair the corresponding thematic session, we would ask you to write us a simple 'yes/no' reply with a preliminary title and very short informal description. Please do so by August 6.

The preliminary schedules (plus invited speakers) should then be sent to us (viola.schmitt AT hu-berlin.de), or submitted via Discord by September 3. (Contact epoole AT g.ucla.edu if you would like to join our Terraling Discord group)

We're looking forward to your contributions! The workshop committee-

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