

22<sup>nd</sup>  International Meeting of  
**Young  
Linguists**

17th–18th May 2021 in Olomouc

**COMMUNICATION no. 2021:  
Degradation <sup>and/or</sup> innovation?**

You are cordially invited to the annual International Meeting of Young Linguists. The conference was started in 2000 at the Institute of the Czech Language of the Academy of Sciences, Prague, and has been continued since 2001 at Palacký University in Olomouc. The topics of the 21st year are the following:

- language in use and language development between 2020 and 2021
- does social distancing inflict on language, or invite us to look for new ways of communication?
- “Hello, can you hear me well?": online meetings and distance learning as new communication channels
- pros and cons of the online environment: how does internet change communication?
- YouTube, Instagram et al.: communication platforms for youths only (?)
- Twitter: how much can you tell in 280 characters?
- online safety and danger: do you know who is speaking to you?
- intercultural pragmatics: does online language affect politeness, humour or non-verbal communication?
- grammar nazis, language as the online weapon: “Practise your grammar!”, “How dare you call me a(n) \*\*\* !”
- benefits and drawbacks of non-verbal communication: Can emojis, memes, gifs make up for a story?

**The programme of the conference includes traditional panel sessions and workshops (see below), and a social event.**

## Time and Place

17th–18th May 2021  
Faculty of Arts, Palacký University in  
Olomouc  
Křížkovského 10, 771 80 Olomouc, Czech  
Republic

## Organizers

Department of Czech Studies, Faculty of  
Arts, Palacký University in Olomouc, affiliated  
to the Linguistic Association of the Czech  
Republic, Prague

## Who Can Participate?

### As Presenter anyone who

- a) is interested in language and communication
- b) wants to give a presentation, take part in discussions, and share their ideas with the others
- c) has completed an M.A./Mgr. programme and has no higher degree than PhD

### As Visitor

anyone who meets the criteria  
under (a) and (b).

## Languages of the Conference

Czech, Slovak, English

## Tentative Programme

### Plenary Lecture by

prof. Melissa Shih-hui Lin (National Chengchi University, Taipei, Taiwan)

### Main Programme:

papers on the main and/or related topics

### Pannel Sessions and Workshops:

#### Diachronic Workshop

chair Robert Dittmann

#### Czech as the Second Language

chair Michaela Kopečková

#### Intercultural Communication

chairs Magdaléna Lapúniková, Eva Nováková

#### Media Workshop: Fake News

chairs Anna Bílá, Jitka Horáková

#### Teaching and Learning Languages Online

chairs Tereza Koudelíková, Jiří Mánek

#### Be IN – Interaction and Activization as Principles of Effective Communication for Present (and Future)

chair Veronika Vydrová

## Call for Papers

- abstract submission and standard registration deadline by **12th April 2021**
- registration form available at [www.mladingviste.upol.cz](http://www.mladingviste.upol.cz)
- notification of acceptance by **3rd May 2021**

## Further Details

Please follow the instructions and updates at  
<http://mladingviste.upol.cz/>

and

 [facebook.com/MladiLingviste](https://www.facebook.com/MladiLingviste)

## Conference Fees

- the conference fee is **25 EUR**
- the fee should be paid either to the conference bank account before 11th May 2021, or during the registration on the first day of the venue in cash (we accept only CZK currency!)

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**We look forward to hearing from you soon and seeing you in Olomouc!**

On behalf of the board of organizers

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## Important Dates

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<b>3rd May 2021</b>	notification of acceptance
<b>10th May 2021</b>	conference programme
<b>11th May 2021</b>	fee payment deadline



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