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Schedule

Date → ↓ Time	Friday, June 28		
Room →	Refectory		
8:30-9:30	Registration		
9:00-9:30	Announcements and opening by Nick Enfield		
9:30-10:30	Plenary 1: Jade d'Alpoim Guedes <i>Archeological perspectives on historical linguistics on the Tibetan plateau</i>		
10:30-11:00	Tea		
Rooms →	Refectory	Cullen	Sutherland
Session 2	History Chair: Hiroyuki Suzuki	Speech Registers Chair: Madhumita Barbora	Orthographies Chair: Keita Kurabe
11:00-11:30	Linguistic reconstruction and potential homeland: A case study of Proto-Western Kho-Bwa <i>Timotheus Bodt</i>	Lyrical and narrative elements in folk songs/oral poetry: A comparatives study of the Nocte Tribe of Arunachal Pradesh and the Tribes of North Karnataka <i>Vineeta Dowerah and Banwang Losu</i>	Manipuri in Roman script: Behind the script revival <i>Takenori Murakami</i>
11:30-12:00	East Bodish linguistic history <i>Gwendolyn Hyslop</i>	Northern Prinmi ritual speech <i>Henriëtte Daudey and Gerong Pincuo</i>	Orthography development and promotion in Dumi <i>Netra Mani Rai</i>
12:00-12:30	The Indo-European origin of the Burushaski verbal prefixation <i>Ilija Casule</i>	The register system in the Mishmi languages <i>Roger Blench and Sokhep Kri</i>	A script for Kulung: Thoughts and practices <i>Reena Rai</i>
12:30-1:30	Lunch		
Session 3	Documentation and Vitality Chair: Yankee Modi	*	Language Contact and Change Chair: Scott DeLancey
1:30-2:00	The return of the Natives: Revival of Maring Paryao and its impact on language documentation and conservation <i>Susie Kanshouwa and Moses Kanshouwa</i>	*	The Boro language: A study of the pre- and post-independence periods <i>Bihung Brahma and Prafulla Basumatary</i>
2:00-2:30	Dictionary making in Bantawa <i>Novel Kishore Rai</i>	*	Experimental approaches to syntax in the field <i>Cathryn Donohue</i>
2:30-3:00	Reduplication in Kokborok <i>Samir Debbarma and Krishna Boro</i>	*	Tracing influences in descriptive grammar organization: A pilot study of languages of Nepal <i>Barbara Kelly and Aimée Lahaussais</i>
3:00-3:30	Tea		
Session 4	Kuki-Chin Chair: Susie Kanshouwa	*	Field Reports Chair: Naijing Liu
3:30-4:00	Nominalization in Biata <i>Madhumita Barbora</i>	*	A preliminary report on the Tangsar language <i>Keita Kurabe</i>
4:00-4:30	Interrogatives in Uipo, a Tibeto-Burman language <i>Mosyel Khaling and Teshangran Tontang</i>	*	The linguistic expression of motion events in Parauk Wa: A preliminary investigation <i>Wei Han</i>
4:30-5:00	A survey of Kuki-Chin clausal negation strategies <i>David Peterson</i>	*	A speech corpus of Dharmasala Tibetan <i>Dirk Schmidt</i>
6:00-7:30	Conference Dinner at Sherpa Kitchen		

Date →	Saturday, June 29	
Time ↓ Room →	Refectory	Sutherland
Session 5	Phonetics and Sign Chair: Stephen Morey	Morphosyntax Chair: Prafulla Basumatary
9:00-9:30	F0 perturbation of stops in Nepali and Meitei <i>Neelam Singh and Indranil Dutta</i>	Pronominal suffixes in Northwestern Indo-Aryan Languages <i>Nasir A. Syed and Shah Bibi</i>
9:30-10:00	Glottal articulation analysis of tense/lax vowels of Zaiwa language <i>Yan Liu, Xiaobing Zhao and Shuangmei Lan</i>	Verbal extensions in Idu: Bantu in the flanks of the Himalayas? <i>Roger Blench and Mite Lingi</i>
10:00-10:30	Keeping track of the news: Referent-tracking in Indian sign language news reports <i>Michael Morgan</i>	Classifiers in Mech <i>Swarnendu Moitra, Mudafia Zafar and Sulka Munot</i>
10:30-11:00	Tea	
Session 6	Tibetic and Beyond Chair: Cathryn Donohue	Prosody Chair: You-Jing Lin
11:00-11:30	Generational differences in the Rongsmad dialect of Larong sMar: Phonetic and lexical features <i>Sonam Wangmo, Tsering Samdrup and Hiroyuki Suzuki</i>	Emerging grammatical tone in Phola <i>Manuel David González Pérez</i>
11:30-12:00	Copulative and existential verbs in Lamo (Chamdo, TAR): A typological perspective <i>Hiroyuki Suzuki and Tashi Nyima</i>	Exploring the verbal tone of Tsum <i>Naijing Liu</i>
12:00-12:30	*	Language games in Tenyidie and prosodic organization <i>Hemalatha Nagarajan</i>
12:30-1:30	Lunch	
Session 7	Interesting Verbs Chair: Nathan Hill	Valence Chair: David Peterson
1:30-2:00	Beyond 'evidentiality': The case of Ladakhi <i>inok & Cie</i> <i>Bettina Zeisler</i>	Head-final typology in Tibeto-Burman: The nominal in Thangal <i>Patricia McDonough</i>
2:00-2:30	Negation markers in Wagdi <i>Vyom Sharma</i>	Valency change in Bumthang, and the grammaticalisations of 'give' <i>Mark Donohue and Naomi Peck</i>
2:30-3:00	TAU+VP and clause-final TAU in Xiaolongmen, a Xiang dialect <i>Xia Liu</i>	*
3:00-3:30	Tea	
Session 8	Refectory	
3:30-4:30	Plenary 2: George van Driem <i>The phonology of Drenjongke</i>	
4:30-5:00	Closing remarks	