

**International workshop on Bantu linguistics and Swahili studies**

# "Dialogues in Swahili and Bantu linguistics"

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**Date: March 21-22, 2024**

**Venue: Room 406 at Minoh campus, Osaka University**

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## Program

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### Day-1: Swahili day

10:30-10:40 Opening

#### Session-1

10:40-11:20

Hannah Gibson (Essex)

"Morphosyntactic variation and emerging dialect areas of Swahili"

11:20-12:00

Keiko Takemura (Osaka)

"Report on Descriptive Studies of Viswahili in Unguja and Pemba Islands"

#### Session-2

14:00-14:40

Lutz Marten (SOAS)

"Perceptions and attitudes in the emerging dialect areas of Swahili"

14:40-15:20

Sayaka Kutsukake (Tohoku Gakuin)

"The Sociolinguistic Dynamics of Kiswahili Expansion"

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### Day-2: Bantu day

#### Session-3

10:30-11:10

Koen Bostoen (Ghent University, Ghent)

"Bantu Language divergence and convergence and deep-time population history in the Lower Kasai area (DR Congo)"

11:10-11:50

Daisuke Shinagawa (ILCAA)

"Development of focus-related operations in KB (Bantu E60): TAM, polarity, and beyond"

## Session-4

14:00-14:40

Makoto Furumoto (ILCAA, Tokyo University of Foreign Studies, Tokyo)

"On Potential Contributions of Nominalization Theory to the Description of Kimakunduchi"

14:40-15:20

Yukiko Morimoto (Berlin)

"Study of information structure in Bantu linguistics"

15:20-16:00

Nobuko Yoneda (Osaka)

"Noun modifying constructions in Bantu languages"

16:00

Closing

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## Organisation

This workshop will be financially supported by the following academic grants:

- Microvariations of information structure and word order in Bantu Languages (JSPS Grant-in-Aid (C): 23K00501; PI: Nobuko Yoneda)
- An endeavor to deciphering interrelation among Swahili varieties spoken in Zanzibar: Focusing on the lexical grammar (JSPS Grant-in-Aid (C): 19K00604; PI: Keiko Takemura)
- The Parameter-driven approach to cross-Bantu typology: Exploring the variation and universals in Bantu languages (JSPS Grant-in-Aid (B): 23H00622; PI: Daisuke Shinagawa)