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SATURDAY, MARCH 8		2.30–3.15	KEYNOTE ADDRESS
9.00–9.30	OPENING REMARKS		Jonathan Owens University of Maryland The early history of Arabic
9.30–10:00	Phrasal and sentential agreement in the inter-language of learners of Arabic Ghassan Husseinali Yale University	3.15 – 3.45	Ingrate or honorable: A re-examination of the word <i>kanuud</i> in Qur'an 100 (al-‘Ādiyāt) Munther Younes Cornell University
10.00–10:30	Linguistic distance and the acquisition of basic reading processes in diglossic Arabic Elinor Saiegh-Haddad Bar-Ilan University, Israel	3.45 – 4.15	Genre analysis and Arabic legal discourse Ahmed Fakhri West Virginia University
10.30–10.45	BREAK	4.15 – 4.30	BREAK
10.45–11.30	KEYNOTE ADDRESS Mushira Eid University of Utah Arabic or Arabics: The core and the variable	4.30 – 5.00	The feasibility of using the web in building Arabic sense-tagged corpora Khalid Alghamry Ain Shams University Egypt
11:30–12:00	Verb innovation in Palestinian Arabic Lior Laks Tel Aviv University, Israel	5.00 – 5.30	A Unified analysis of Arabic demonstratives in the extended nominal projection Kamel Elsaadany & Salwa Shams Gulf University for Science and Technology
12.00–1.00	BREAK	5.30 – 6.00	The syntactic behavior of Arabic idioms Ashraf Mohamed University of Manchester
1.00–1.45	KEYNOTE ADDRESS Yasser Suleiman University of Edinburgh Out of place: Language, dislocation and exile	6.00-6.30	Patterns of variation in the adoption of Casablancon gender concord norms by three ethnolinguistic migrant groups Atiqa Hachimi University of Florida
1.45-2.15	The effect of language contact and diachrony on Urban Palestinian phonemics Uri Horesh The University of Texas at Austin	Alternates	Negative and positive imperatives in young children's Kuwaiti Arabic Morphosyntactic Development in an Arabic Diglossic Situation
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SUNDAY, MARCH 9

9.00 – 9.30	Final devoicing and voicing assimilation in Cairene Arabic: An OT analysis Rawia Kabrah Um Al-Qura University, Saudi Arabia	2.30 – 3.00	The myth of tensed negation: A neo-aspectualist analysis of <i>lam</i> and <i>lan</i> in Standard Arabic Mustafa Mughazy Western Michigan University
9.30 – 10.00	The syllable: A perceptual unit in Egyptian Arabic Rajaa Aquil University of Utah	3.00 – 3.30	Negative expressions in Moroccan Arabic: NCI's or NPI's? Hamid Ouali University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
10.00 – 10.30	Leading, linking and closing tonal contours in Egyptian Arabic Dina ELzarqa Karl-Franzens-Universität Graz	3.30 – 4.00	A core syntax of Arabic pronoun and agreement Abdelkader Fassi Fehri University of Newcastle & University Mohammed V Rabat
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10.45 – 11.15	Phrasal syncope in Makkan Arabic: An OT account Mahasen Abu-Mansour Um Al-Qura University, Saudi Arabia	4.15 – 5.00	KEYNOTE ADDRESS Manfred Woidich University of Amsterdam The Egyptian lexicon and the Arabic World Atlas
11.15 – 11.45	The OCP as a synchronic constraint in Arabic Eiman Mustafawi Qatar University	5.00-5.30	Mixed agreement in Lebanese Arabic Heidi Lorimor University of Mary Washington
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1.00 – 1.45	KEYNOTE ADDRESS Elabbas Benmamoun University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign Comparative syntax of Arabic varieties: Issues and approaches	5.30 – 6.00	Use of humor in Arabic and English travel literature: A socio-pragmatic contrastive study Samih Salah University of Alexandria, Egypt
1.45 – 2.15	“Heads” of a feather “agree” together: On the morpho-syntax of imperatives in MSA Usama Soltan Middlebury College	Alternates	Against the Split-CP Hypothesis: Evidence from Iraqi Arabic The MSA – dialect interface: Borrowing vs. codeswitching in the context of corpus analysis
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