



# UNDERSTANDING PRO-DROP

## A synchronic and diachronic perspective

19-21 June, 2014

Thursday, 19<sup>th</sup> June 2014

Room 001, Department of Humanities, Via T. Gar, 14 - Trento

9.00 – 9.30 Greetings: **Patrizia Cordin**, Professor of Linguistics at the Department of Humanities

9.30 – 10.30 **Mara Frascarelli**, University of Roma Tre

*Avoid Pronoun in consistent and partial pro-drop languages: an interface analysis*

10.30 – 11.10 **Pilar Barbosa**, University of Minho

*Pro as a minimal NP*

11.10 – 11.40 Break

11.40 – 12.20 **Maia Duguine**, University of Cambridge & University of the Basque Country UPV/EHU

*Pro-drop without a parameter*

12.20 – 13.00 **Verner Egerland**, Lund University

*On non-obligatory control and the grammar of gerunds*

13.00 – 14.00 Lunch

14.00 – 15.00 **Manuela Ambar**

*On the null subject parameter: the role of tense and discourse*

- 15.00 –15.40 **Marta Ruda**, Jagiellonian University in Kraków  
*On definite null objects in English*
- 15.40 –16.20 **Melani Wratil**, University of Düsseldorf  
*Dimensional progression and the emergence of pro-drop in creole languages*
- 16.20 –16.40 Break
- 16.40 –17.20 **Pauli Brattico & Saara Huhmarniemi**, University of Helsinki  
*Non-finite pro and its licensing conditions in a partial pro-drop language*
- 17.20 –18.00 **Lena Dal Pozzo**, University of Firenze  
*New information subjects in a partial pro-drop language: an experimental study on Finnish L1 and L2*
- 18.00 –18.40 **Stefano Rastelli**, University of Pavia & **Arianna Zualazzi**, University of Trento  
*Overt and null subjects across coordinate sentences in a text: a large-scale study on L2 learners of Italian*

Friday, 20<sup>th</sup> June 2014

Room 001, Department of Humanities, Via T. Gar, 14 - Trento

- 9.00 – 10.00 **Anna Volodina**, IDS Mannheim & **Helmut Weiß**, University of Frankfurt a.M.  
*Referential null subjects in German: dialects and diachronic continuity*
- 10.00 – 10.40 **Ermenegildo Bidese**, University of Trento & **Alessandra Tomaselli**, University of Verona  
*Developing pro-drop. The case of Cimbrian*
- 10.40 – 11:00 Break
- 11.00 –11.40 **Federica Cognola**, University of Trento  
*On asymmetric pro-drop, V2 and the relation between CP and TP*

- 11.40 –12.20 **Peter Herbeck**, University of Salzburg  
*Verbal complexes and the pro-drop parameter in Spanish and German*
- 12.20 –13.00 **Henrik Rosenkvist**, University of Gothenburg  
*Null subjects and distinct agreement in modern Germanic*
- 13.00 –14.00 Lunch
- 14.00 –15.00 **Michael Zimmermann**, University of Konstanz  
*Null subjects, expletives and the status of Medieval French*
- 15.00 –15.40 **Kari Kinn**, University of Oslo  
*Conditions on null arguments in Old Norwegian*
- 15:40 –16.20 **Nerea Madariaga**, University of the Basque Country UPV/EHU  
*Diachronic change and the nature of pro: a case-study in Russian language*
- 16.20 – 16.50 Break
- 16.50 –17.30 **Kari Kinn**, University of Oslo & **Kristian Rusten**, University of Bergen & **George Walkden**, University of Manchester  
*Null subjects in Early Icelandic*
- 17.30 –18.10 **Rickard Ramhøj**, University of Gothenburg  
*It-extraposition and non-referential null subjects in the history of English*
- 18.10 – 18.50 **George Walkden**, University of Manchester  
*Extending the typology of partial null argument languages*
- 20.00 Social Dinner, Ristorante Orso Grigio, Via degli Orti 19

Saturday, 21<sup>st</sup> June 2014

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8.30 – 09.30 **Theresa Biberauer**, University of Cambridge and University of Stellenbosch

*Pro-drop and emergent parameter hierarchies*

09.30 – 10.10 **Trang Phan Thi Huyen**, University of Ghent

*Overt expletives in pro-drop languages – Evidence from Vietnamese*

10.10 – 10.30 Break

10.30 – 11.10 **Gréte Dalmi**, Jan Kochanowski University, Kielce

*Generic inclusive null arguments in Hungarian*

11.10 – 11.50 **Anders Holmberg**, University of Newcastle & **On-Usa Phimsawat**, Burapha University

*Generic pronouns and phi-features: evidence from Thai*

11.50 – 13.00 Final round table chaired by **Barbara Vance**, University of Indiana

13.00 – 13.30 Lunch offered to all participants

Alternate speakers

**Massimo Vai**, University of Milan

*The evolution of the subject pronoun system in Milanese dialect*

**Kostantinos Sampanis**, University of Salzburg

*Do non-overt subjects trigger finite complementation?*

Intervengono ai lavori:

**Patrizia Cordin** (Università di Trento)

**Manuela Moroni** (Università di Trento)

**Federica Ricci Garotti** (Università di Trento)

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