

12th Linguistic Landscape Workshop

1-3 September 2021, Online/Gothenburg, Sweden

THEME: The political economy of language and space/place

In the last years, there has been a strong drive within Linguistic Landscape studies to 'go beyond the signs', which often has been interpreted as talking to the producers, owners and readers of signs to learn more about how they conceptualise the value and meaning of signs and languages. The 12th Linguistic Landscape Workshop invites you to take a closer look at the political, economic and technological structures and processes that regulate the production, circulation and consumption of semiotic resources in and about places. A political economic perspective on language allows us to conceptualise the differential valorisation of semiotic resources in particular spaces and places. This is important since different language hierarchies and regimes prevail in different spatiotemporal contexts, resulting in varied (in)visibility and (im)mobility for individual semiotic resources.

We particularly invite contributions focusing on topics related to this theme, but we also welcome contributions addressing other topics of relevance to the field of Linguistic Landscape.

The conference is dedicated to Jan Blommaert whose ground-breaking work on language and social inequalities has been influential in Linguistic Landscape research.

Abstract

We invite you to submit an abstract no later than 15 February 2021 through the [online conference tool](#). Please make sure that your abstract is no longer than 300 words and you *specify which theoretical approach you draw upon, which analytical framework you employ and what data you investigate*.

Important dates

- Renewed and Last Call for papers: 20 January 2021
- Deadline for submitting abstracts: 15 February 2021
- Decision of acceptance: 15 March 2021
- Registration: April-May 2021

Venue

The conference will take place **online**, with real-time presentations and discussions.

Conference webpage

<https://sprak.gu.se/english/research/conferences/ll12>

Conveners and organizers

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