

CALL FOR PAPERS

We seek contributions discussing various forms of crisis discourse, dealing with any language and geographic area. While the main focus is on the (post-)pandemic time, we also accept contributions addressing other periods and discourses of crisis, as long as broader relevance is demonstrated. We expect both contributions addressing the inner sociolinguistic processes of crisis-time language, as well as those taking a critical discourse approach to crisis communication, and to the distinct constructions of collectivity, nationhood, race, gender, ‘us’ and ‘others’ in public discourse and beyond.

Possible topics include, but are by no means limited to, the following:

- local discourses of economic crisis, health crisis, climate, conflict, ‘migrant crisis’ etc.
- conceptions and definitions of crisis
- the role of metaphor and figurative language in crisis conceptualization
- crisis and right-wing populisms
- crisis, nationhood and nationalism
- gender in crisis discourse
- race and ethnicity in crisis discourse
- constructions of *permacrisis* and *polycrisis*; interacting discourses of multiple crises
- conspiracy narratives and legitimization of conflict
- crisis and new solidarities
- diachronic or cross-linguistic perspectives on crisis

The range of approaches may include:

- (Critical) Discourse Analysis
- sociolinguistics
- corpus linguistics
- cognitive linguistics
- metaphor and figurative language
- linguistic anthropology
- pragmatics

Oral presentations will be 20 minutes, with 10 minutes for discussion. The conference will take place in in-person format. *Registration is free for all presenters.*

Abstract submission deadline: August 30, 2024

Notification of acceptance/rejection: August 31, 2024

Abstracts (200-300 words) should be sent to ksenija@zrc-sazu.si.