2nd meeting

Date/Time: 17 October 2015 (Sat.) 13:00-17:30, 18

October 2015 (Sun.) 11:00-17:30 Venue: Room 304, 303, ILCAA

Language: English

Schedule:

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Stefan KAUFMANN (ILCAA Joint Researcher, Kyoto

University) "Dynamic semantics tutorial"

Christopher DAVIS (ILCAA Joint Researcher, University of the Ryukyus) "Question semantics"

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Magdalena KAUFMANN (ILCAA Joint Researcher, Kyoto

University) "Imperative semantics"

Satomi ITO (ILCAA Joint Researcher, Ochanomizu

University) "Particles in Mandarin"

Summary:

The main theme of this meeting was the introduction of formal tools to study the semantics and pragmatics of particles. S. Kaufmann presented an introduction to dynamic semantics (mostly for declarative sentences), which has been applied to the semantics of various sentence-final particles.

; C. Davis gave an introduction to the semantics of questions, and M. Kaufmann to the semantics of imperatives, both necessities for a full analysis of particles. Finally, Ito presented data relating to the Mandarin particle "de" and a formal analysis thereof.