Final Call for Papers

4ᵗʰ International Afrikaans Grammar Workshop (AGW IV)

27–28 November 2023

The fourth instalment of the biannual Afrikaans Grammar Workshop (AGW) will be hosted by **North-West University, South Africa**. This follows on highly successful previous editions in Johannesburg (2016), Ghent (2018), and Amsterdam (2021). Like the previous workshop, this one will be a hybrid event: **online**, and at **26 Degrees South Hotel in Muldersdrift, Gauteng, South Africa**.

The workshop aims to bring together researchers from **different theoretical and methodological perspectives** who study Afrikaans grammar. We welcome contributions on **any aspect of Afrikaans grammar**, including lexicology, orthography, phonology, morphology, syntax, semantics, and pragmatics. Papers that compare Afrikaans grammar with other West-Germanic or unrelated languages' grammar are also welcomed, as are papers on the **diachronic development** of Afrikaans grammar, the role of **language contact** on the grammar, and current **grammatical variation**.

We are honoured to also announce our two **keynote speakers**:

- Frank Hendricks (University of the Western Cape, South Africa)
- Timothy Colleman (Ghent University, Belgium)

Like in the past, the language medium of AGW will be English. **More information** about the conference venue, costs, and other logistics will be published from June 2023 onwards on the AGW's web page: https://viva-afrikaans.org/portale/inligtingsportaal-reg/afrikaansewerkswinkel.

This year's AGW will introduce two new innovations:

1. **Peer-reviewed conference proceedings**: In addition to "abstract only" presentations, we will offer authors the additional option to submit their papers for publication in the digital conference proceedings. The proceedings will be double-blind peer-reviewed, will have an ISBN, and will be published on the AGW's web page. See information on important dates below.

2. **Ideas session**: Scholars and students who want to share new ideas (e.g., about their project), new data, or negative results, will have the opportunity to share ideas pertaining to their research during a 10-minute idea session. This is a valuable opportunity for emerging and established researchers to test new ideas with other scholars in the field, seek opportunities for collaboration, etc.

We invite researchers at all stages of their careers, including (graduate) students, to submit proposals in one of the following categories:

Category	Abstract?	Published?	Presentation?
Full paper	Yes	Yes	20 minutes
Paper	Yes	No	20 minutes
Short paper	Yes	No	10 minutes

Important dates

	Deadline (2023)	Time (SAST)	Full paper	Paper	Short paper
Abstract submission	15 June	23:59	Yes	Yes	Yes
Notification of acceptance	29 June		Yes	Yes	Yes
Full paper submission	1 September	23:59	Yes	No	No
Feedback from peer-review	16 October		Yes	No	No
Final paper submission	20 November – 1 December		Yes	No	No
Conference	27–28 November		Yes	Yes	Yes

Abstracts

- Authors/presenters in all three categories must submit an abstract.

- The abstract should be between **300 and 500 words**, excluding examples and references.

- Please submit the abstract in Microsoft Word (or other compatible) format, with minimal formatting (i.e., avoid using your own styles).

- All abstracts must be submitted online via EasyChair before 23:59 (SAST) on 15 June 2023. Use the following link: https://easychair.org/conferences/?conf=agw2023.

- When submitting an abstract, you will have the opportunity to indicate for which category the submission is (i.e., full paper, paper, or short paper). You will also be required to provide additional metadata, like keywords.

- Authors who wish to submit more than one abstract, should fill out a separate online submission form for each abstract.

- All abstracts will be peer-reviewed, and the final selection will be made by the organising committee. Please do not include any reference to your name in the document that you upload, as the peer-review process will be done anonymously.

Full papers

- Only authors who have indicated that they want to submit a full paper, and whose abstract has been accepted, will be required to submit a full paper.

- The full paper should be between 4,000 and 6,000 words, including examples and references.

- Further instructions, including a Microsoft Word template, will be provided to authors whose abstracts have been accepted.

Programme committee

- Gerhard van Huyssteen (North-West University)

- Marc van Oostendorp (Meertens Institute, the Netherlands)

- Frans Hinskens (Meertens Institute, the Netherlands)

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Logistical arrangements

Workshop fee

Registration will be **free** for all presenters with accepted abstracts and all attendees who wish to attend online. For presenters attending in person, this covers registration, lunches, and attendance at the gala dinner. For individuals who only wish to attend in person but will not be presenting a paper, a workshop fee of **R1 170** will cover attendance for both days.

Accommodation

If you wish to stay at the conference venue, you can book as soon as you get a notification of acceptance. Please note that all participants are responsible for their own accommodation costs.

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When you book your stay, please indicate that you are attending the conference since special fees have been negotiated for delegates.