

VYTAUTAS MAGNUS UNIVERSITY Faculty of Humanities





International Language and Law Association

5th Focus Conference on Forensic Linguistics

Language as evidence

VENUE: Small Hall, S. Daukanto g. 28

Organisers: Victoria Guillén-Nieto and Dieter Stein

TUESDAY, 2 SEPTEMBER 2025

12.00-13.30	Lunch break
11.30-12.00	Plagiarism – a linguistic and legal perspective. Polish court cases with expert linguists' opinions Michał Szczyszek, Ewa Badyda, Paweł Nowak, Jakub Kępiński, Leszek Szymański
11.00-11.30	The impact of syntactic pre-processing on the accuracy of the automatic authorship attribution of social media texts Ella Fletcher
10.30-11.00	Native dialect influence detection (NDID): Pragmalinguistic differences among Argentinian Spanish, Colombian Spanish, Brazilian Portuguese, and European Portuguese speakers in non-native English suggestions Andrea Mojedano Batel
10.00–10.30	The relationship between linguistic accommodation and speaker attribution Cristina Aggazzotti; Elizabeth Allyn Smith
9.30–10.00	Would you recognise a fake voice? - A perceptual study on the recognition ability of natural and synthetic speech Sara-Sophie Schedel, Gea de Jong-Lendle, Mathias Scharinger
9.00-9.30	Conference Opening
3.30–15.00	Onsite registration (next to Small Hall, S. Daukanto g. 28)

13.30-14.00	The Forensic risks of AI detection: Bias, misclassification, and ethical issues Timothy Habick
14.00–14.30	Migrant workers do not think that is a lie Ahmad Adha
14.30-15.00	Linguistic markers of promise in corruption offences Stefania Selegian
15.00-15.30	Mafia language as evidence: Threats and trust in Mafia discourse Elena Morandini
15.30-16.00	Coffee break
16.00-16.30	The pragmatics of emotional manipulation in cases of gender-based violence Victoria Guillén-Nieto
16.30-17.00	"pues a ver manda foto": Requesting child sexual abuse material in online grooming interactions Nuria Lorenzo-Dus, Carmen Perez-Sabater & Ada Garcia-Montes
17.00-17.30	The role of linguistic criteria in hate speech identification: Insights from ECtHR Case-Law Jurate Ruzaite, Justina Urbonaite, Gintare Herasimenkiene
17.30-18.00	The limits of political speech in the context of ECtHR hate speech Practice: Can clear boundaries be established? Edita Gruodytė, Ugnė Urbšytė
18.00-19.00	Roundtable: The role of the expert witness and the court: Theory and practice , organised by Eilika Fobbe and Gea de Jong-Lendle (t.b.c.)
19.00	Closing
19.30	Dinner (Self-Paid, Reservation Only) Please note that this is a self-paid event, and a reservation will be made for attendees who register in advance. The registration form will be circulated in due course.