

# **12th International Conference of the Spanish Cognitive**

## **Linguistics Association**

**September 9-12, 2020**

### **Embodied cognition at the crossroads: Research methods and explanatory frameworks**

#### **FIRST CALL FOR PAPERS**

The 12th International Conference of the Spanish Cognitive Linguistics Association (AELCO/SCOLA) will take place at the University of La Rioja, Spain, on September 9-12, 2020 under the topic “Embodied cognition at the crossroads: Research methods and explanatory frameworks” (<https://aelco2020.unirioja.es/>)

The following plenary speakers have confirmed their participation:

- Seana Coulson (University of California at San Diego)
- Irene Mittelberg (RWTH Aachen University)
- Arie Verhagen (Leiden University)
- Francisco González García (University of Almería)
- Antonio Barcelona Sánchez (University of Córdoba)

This is the first call for abstracts for the GENERAL, POSTER, and THEME sessions. Papers in all areas of Cognitive Linguistics are welcome, but contributions are especially encouraged on the following topics:

- Cognitive models and their interaction.
- Cognitively-oriented constructionist approaches to language.
- Research methods for the study of language and embodied cognition.
- Cross-linguistic research on language and embodied cognition.
- Multimodal research on language and embodied cognition.

## SUBMISSION GUIDELINES AND FORMATS

The conference features a number of theme sessions and a general session.

The languages of the conference are Spanish and English. Oral session slots will be allocated 30 minutes, which includes 20 minutes for each presentation, followed by 5 minutes for questions and discussion, and 5 minutes to change rooms.

### THEME SESSIONS/WORKSHOPS

Organizers of theme sessions will send their proposals in .pdf format directly to the conference organizers ([aelco2020@unirioja.es](mailto:aelco2020@unirioja.es)) by **November 30, 2019**, with the following content and structure: session title, name and affiliation of the theme session convener(s), a description of the theme session of up to 500 words (including examples but excluding figures, tables, images, and references), an indication of the structure proposed for the whole session (order of presentations), a list of the authors, titles, and a maximum of 6 abstracts from all of their speakers, accompanied by all the information requested in the abstract specifications below for the general session. If the session is provisionally accepted (notification: **December 7, 2019**), the corresponding authors of each paper included in the session will submit their proposals via EasyChair (<https://easychair.org/conferences/?conf=aelco2020>) no later than **December 22, 2019** to be evaluated by the Scientific Committee with the same criteria as those for the general session. These proposals should include the following information: Title, five keywords, an abstract specifying research questions, methodology, data and expected results. They should not contain the names, affiliations or email addresses of the author(s) and they should not exceed 500 words, including examples, but excluding figures, tables, images, and references. Proposals will be submitted through EasyChair (<https://easychair.org/conferences/?conf=aelco2020>)

Notification of acceptance of individual theme session papers: **March 10, 2020**.

Note: A maximum of 6 presenters and 1 discussant will be allowed. Discussants are expected to use a 30-minute slot, which should include discussion (15-20 minutes) and 10-15 minutes for questions/remarks from the audience.

## ABSTRACT SPECIFICATIONS FOR GENERAL AND THEME SESSIONS

**General session:** Proposals, both of oral presentations and posters, will be sent in pdf format (500 words, including examples but excluding figures, tables, images, and references), no later than **December 22, 2019**. They should include the following information: type of presentation (*oral* or *poster* presentation), title, five keywords, and an abstract specifying research questions, methodology, data, and expected results. They should not contain the names, affiliations, or addresses of the authors of the presentations. They will be submitted through EasyChair (<https://easychair.org/conferences/?conf=aelco2020>)

Notification of acceptance: **March 10, 2020**.

Notes: The abstract should be completely anonymous; references to previous work by the author(s) should only be listed as Author(s)1, Author(s)2, etc.

Each contributor is allowed to submit a maximum of two abstracts (a fully authored abstract and a co-authored abstract, or two co-authored abstracts).

Each proposal will be reviewed anonymously by two members of a large international panel.

Each abstract will have to be accompanied by the following information, to be provided through EasyChair:

- author name(s)
- contact author
- affiliation(s)
- full mailing address
- telephone number
- email address
- title of presentation
- 5 keywords
- preferred format:
  - a) oral presentation
  - b) poster

- c) preference for oral presentation but willing to do a poster (time slots for spoken presentations may be limited)

## SUBMISSION DEADLINES

### Theme sessions:

- November 30, 2019: Deadline for theme session proposals.
- December 7, 2019: Notification of provisional acceptance of theme session proposals.
- December 22, 2019: Deadline for individual theme session papers through EasyChair (see “Submission guidelines”).
- March 10, 2020: Notification of acceptance of individual theme session papers.

### General session:

- December 22, 2019: Deadline for general session proposals.
- March 10, 2020: Notification of acceptance of general session proposals.

## **AELCO/SCOLA PRIZES**

Two prizes will be awarded by the AELCO/SCOLA (<http://www.aelco.es/en/premios-aelco>):

- AELCO/SCOLA Award to the best oral presentation by PhD or master’s degree students.

We are pleased to announce that the Spanish Association of Cognitive Linguistics will give an award to the best oral presentation by a PhD or master’s degree student at AELCO 2020.

The award consists of:

- Award Certificate.
- Reimbursement of the conference and conference dinner fees.
- The winner will be invited to send the written version (article format) of his/her oral presentation to the *Review of Cognitive Linguistics* to be assessed for publication after peer-reviewing. Go to <https://benjamins.com/catalog/rc1> for more details on publication guidelines.

Note that in order to apply for the award you should:

- Indicate your wish to enter the competition and attach proof of your PhD student status in the space provided in the Registration Form.
  - Be a member of the Association.
  - Submit a short CV (via Registration Form) and the materials for the oral presentation (PowerPoint, handout, or similar), which should be sent to the Organizing Committee (aelco2020@unirioja.es) at least seven working days before the beginning of the conference.
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- AELCO/SCOLA Best Poster Award

AELCO participants are encouraged to present their research in poster format. The poster session gives participants the chance to present their research to a wide audience during the one-hour session devoted to each poster display. Participation in the poster session makes the presenter an eligible candidate for the best poster award granted by the Spanish Association of Cognitive Linguistics. It consists of:

- An Award Certificate.
- Reimbursement of the conference and conference dinner fees.

## **FURTHER INFORMATION**

A second call will be issued in January 2020 with full details regarding the conference venue, the conference website, registration fees, and other relevant information.

We are excited for this opportunity to meet with you at the University of La Rioja in Logroño, La Rioja, Spain.

For some information on La Rioja and Logroño, access:

[https://fundacion.unirioja.es/en/espanol\\_secciones/view/37/La-Rioja](https://fundacion.unirioja.es/en/espanol_secciones/view/37/La-Rioja)

[https://fundacion.unirioja.es/en/espanol\\_secciones/view/38/Logrono-the-best-city-to-live-in-Spain](https://fundacion.unirioja.es/en/espanol_secciones/view/38/Logrono-the-best-city-to-live-in-Spain)

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