



**Latvian Language Institute
of the University of Latvia**

PROGRAM

of the 2nd International Scientific Conference

***CONTEMPORARY RESEARCH IN
PHONETICS AND PHONOLOGY:
METHODS, ASPECTS AND PROBLEMS***

May 14–15, 2015

Location:

*Latvian Academy of Sciences
Akadēmijas laukums 1, Riga*

Thursday, May 14 (Conference hall, 1st floor)

9.30–9.50 REGISTRATION

9.50–10.00 OPENING

Ilga Jansone

Juris Grigorjevs

Chairs: Elena Riekhakaynen and Juris Girgorjevs

10.00–10.30 Ondřej Šefčík (Czechia)

Phonemes, context, alternations: Back to basics and back again

10.30–11.00 Elena Riekhakaynen (Russia)

Phonetic transcription in the Corpus of Spontaneous Russian

11.00–11.30 Maija Brēde (Latvia)

Function word prominence in publicistic style of intonation

11.30–12.00 Stina Ojala, Riitta Lahtinen, Russ Palmer (Finland)

Conveying emotions in speech for the hearing and dual-sensory impaired

COFFEE / TEA

Chairs: Solveiga Čeirane and Dennis Estill

12.20–12.40 Dennis Estill (Finland)

An analysis of the differences in the pronunciation of the back open or near-open vowel among individual Persian speakers

12.40–13.00 Dace Markus, Solveiga Čeirane (Latvia)

Existing, disappearing and forgotten vowel change in endings

13.00–13.20 Elena Grammatikova (Russia)

The final posttonic vowel realization as a function of prosodic organization of the utterance in Modern Standard Russian

13.20–13.40 Aleš Bičan (Czechia)

Phonological word in Czech and its phonotactic analysis

13.40–14.00 Anastasia Safonova (Russia)

Distant palatalization assimilation of velars in Modern Standard Russian

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Chairs: Denitsa Dimitrova and Sorin Paliga

15.00–15.20 Olga Raeva, Elena Riekhakaynen (Russia)

Variation in casual speech: Realizations of frequent word forms in spontaneous Russian

15.20–15.40 Katja Immonen (Finland)

The effects of passive auditory training on the formation of a new L2 sound category and a perceptual magnet effect in school-aged children – preliminary results from an MMN-study

15.40–16.00 Denitsa Dimitrova (Bulgaria)

German rounded vowels perceived and produced by Bulgarian children

16.00–16.20 Sorin Paliga (Romania)

Romanian vs. Czech: A contrastive analysis of the phonetic inventory

CONFERENCE DINNER

Friday, May 15 (Conference hall, 1st floor)

Chairs: Jurgita Jaroslavienė and Karl Pajusalu

10.00–10.20 Jurgita Jaroslavienė, Jolita Urbanavičienė (Lithuania)

Phonological classification of Lithuanian and Latvian consonants: Variations and nuances

10.20–10.40 Juris Grigorjevs, Inese Indričāne, Jana Taperte (Latvia)

Latvian v and j – fricatives or approximants?

10.40–11.00 Sergey Knyazev (Russia)

Affricated palatalized dental plosives in Russian: Phonological status and perceptual cues as a trigger of sound changes

11.00–11.20 Uldis Balodis (Finland), **Karl Pajusalu** and **Pire Teras** (Estonia)

Broken tone in South Estonian dialects in Latvia

11.20–11.40 Anna Solomennik (Russia)

An influence of defects in synthesized speech on its naturalness

COFFEE / TEA

Chairs: Ilze Auziņa and Sergey Knyazev

12.00–12.20 Ilze Auziņa, Guna Rābante-Buša (Latvia)

Qualitative and quantitative vowel reduction and deletion in word-final unstressed closed syllables in spoken Latvian

12.20–12.40 Yulia Nigmatulina (Russia)

Corpus study of external reduction: Evidence from spontaneous Russian

12.40–13.00 Tuuli Tuisk, Valts Ernštreits (Estonia)

The acoustic characteristics of Livonian stød

13.00–13.20 Evelina Block (Russia)

The method of contrastive analysis as a key to effective foreign pronunciation acquisition

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