

GSFL2024 Presenter Biographical Sketches

Novella Benedetti is enrolled in the doctoral program “Translation, Gender, and Cultural Studies” at Universitat de Vic – Universitat Central de Catalunya (Spain). Her research focuses on the intersection of gender-based violence (especially violence against women) and forensic linguistics. In 2022, she was a visiting scholar at Innsbruck University, and in 2023, at Tor Vergata University (Rome).

Susan Blackwell teaches Linguistics courses at the University of Utrecht. Her research interests include children in the legal system and the use of "lawfare" for political ends. Her background is in Corpus Linguistics, and she employs corpus methods in her research in FL.

Arjan Blokland is a professor of Criminology & Criminal Justice at the Institute of Criminal Law and Criminology of Leiden University and a senior researcher at the Netherlands Institute for the Study of Crime and Law Enforcement (NSCR) in Amsterdam. He is one of the project leaders of a European project examining darknet forums dedicated to child sexual abuse material. His specializations include criminal networks, life-course criminology, and victimology.

Leonie Cornips is a professor in Limburgian language culture and specializes in animal communication. During her career, she has focused on minority languages and dialects, exploring stigmatized groups. With shifting her focus to cow language, one of the most stigmatized groups in linguistics and often considered ridiculous, she is in the foreground of the Animal Turn in linguistics. She adopted a cow herself, who lives among other cows and whom she regularly tries to visit.

Hao Cui is currently pursuing my master's degree in Monolingualistics at the University of Zurich. Hao's interest lies in the realms of prosody, pitch perception, auditory training, and transfer effects cross languages. Hao is particularly intrigued by the potential enhancements in speech perception in noise through tone training and musical melody training, and the advantageous implications of experience-dependent brainstem plasticity on individuals.

Meike de Boer is a postdoctoral researcher at the Netherlands Institute for the Study of Crime and Law Enforcement (NSCR) in Amsterdam. She has a background in criminology, legal psychology, and forensic linguistics. Her main interests include forensic transcriptions, false confessions, and authorship analysis. Besides researching and teaching, Meike has her own company Lingua Forensica, where she does forensic linguistic and phonetic analyses and speaks about the topic for various audiences.

Jan Engberg is Professor of Knowledge Communication at the School of Communication and Culture, Section of German Business Communication, University of Aarhus, Denmark, dr.phil. honoris causa at Vaasa University, Finland, and Knight of the Danish Order of the Dannebrog. His main research interests are the study of cognitive aspects of specialized discourse and the relation between specialized knowledge and text formulation. Much of his research is focused upon communication, translation and meaning in the field of law. However, especially with Carmen Daniela Maier he has also studied academic publishing as well as disseminating genres in academic fields from a multimodal point of view. He has published widely in the field and co-edited a number of books and special issues of international journals. Finally, he is member of the editorial or advisory board of a considerable number of journals, and he functions as co-editor of the international journals *Fachsprache – Journal of Professional and Scientific Communication* and *Hermes – Journal of Language and Communication for Business*.

Sheila Queralt Estevez is the director of Laboratorio SQ-Lingüistas Forenses in Spain. Her main research areas are authorship analysing, sociolinguistic profiling and forensic discourse analysis.

Willemijn Heeren is a lecturer at the Leiden University Centre for Linguistics. She specializes in (forensic) phonetics and authorship analysis. In addition, she is working at the Netherlands Institute for the Study of Crime and Law Enforcement (NSCR) in Amsterdam on a project involving analyzing conversational data on child sexual abuse.

Stina Lindegren, PhD, is a senior lecturer at the Department of Social Work, Stockholm University. Her research topic is perpetration-focused sexual abuse prevention. Her dissertation builds mainly on interviews with men convicted of sexual offenses and their experience of sexual offender treatment and help-seeking prior to offense. Stina is a licensed healthcare counselor with basic psychotherapy training and thirteen years of clinical experience, including sex offender treatment.

Karoline Marko is currently a post-doctoral researcher at the English Department of the University of Graz. My research interests lie in the fields of authorship analysis, text and discourse analysis, sociolinguistics, and many more.

Jennifer Plumb has a Masters degree in Forensic Linguistics from Hofstra University in the United States. Her interests include emergency services calls, police interrogations, jury instructions and propaganda.

Søren Sandager Sørensen is a postdoc in forensic linguistics at the University of Agder. He has a background in Conversation Analysis and Interactional Linguistics from Aarhus University, where he wrote a PhD on Danish response tokens.

Jan Svennevig is a Professor of Language and Communication at the University of Agder. He is the PI of a project on police investigative interviews and conducts research on the establishment of understanding in conversations between L1 and L2 speakers.

Ciara Thompson studies at the Australian National University, majoring in linguistics. Ciara's areas of interest are phonetics and phonology, forensic linguistics and semantics. Ciara recently completed research with the ANU Summer Scholars program in Authorship Attribution and AI, of which Ciara will be presenting this year.

Vincent van Heuven is a retired phonetics professor. During his career, he specialized in forensic phonetics, experimental linguistics, and trademark analysis. He is still involved in forensic casework and active in scientific collaborations. Recently, he adopted a cow and became interested in studying cow language.

Mark Visonà is an interactional sociolinguist who received a PhD in Linguistics from Georgetown University and holds an MA in Journalism and Mass Communication from the American University of Cairo. Mark's research focuses on emergency calls, deception detection, and media discourse with a concentration on the intersection of language, narrative, and identity.

Emma Vissers is completing an Honours Bachelor's degree at University College Utrecht, majoring in Psychology and Linguistics. Emma's research interests include authorship attribution, semantic tagging, criminal behaviour analysis and criminal justice policy. Emma aims to further my studies through master's programs, and delve into the possibility of internships at institutions like the NFI and the ICC.