



The 13th Conference of AIDA
(Association Internationale de Dialectologie Arabe)
Akaki Tsereteli State University, Kutaisi, Georgia,
June 10-13, 2019

Welcome to the 13th Conference of AIDA which will be held at Akaki Tsereteli State University, Kutaisi, Georgia, **June 10-13, 2019**. AIDA (Association Internationale de Dialectologie Arabe), founded in 1993, in Paris, with the aim to encourage and promote the study of Arabic dialects, is nowadays the leading international association in this field of research and it has become a center that joins scholars from all over the world who are interested in any aspect of Arabic dialectology.

Fees

- Conference fee: €100 (the fees will include conference booklet, coffee break and lunch buffet)
- AIDA membership fee: €30.

Themes. Papers on all sub-fields of Arabic dialectology are welcome: dialects which have not been described yet, dialectal geography, specific aspects of phonology morphology and syntax, code-switching, koine language, pidgin, creole, the lexicon of Arabic dialects, dialectal atlases, comparative and diachronic studies, sociolinguistics including studies on attitudes and ideology, teaching of Arabic dialects, literacy in Arabic dialects.

Paper presentation. Each participant shall deliver a 20-minute paper presentation, which will be followed by a 10-minute question and answer session. The conference halls will be equipped with basic audio-video equipment (such as projectors, projection screens, speaker and microphone systems).

Conference languages. The languages of the conference will be: **Arabic, English and French.**

Abstracts. Deadline for submission of the abstracts is November 30th, 2018. Selection and acceptance of the papers will be communicated by December 31th, 2018. Abstracts must be sent by e-mail (including author's name, complete affiliation and position) – as both .doc / .docx and .pdf documents to aida13kutaisi@gmail.com. If the paper has more than one author, when sending the

abstract, please include the names of all the authors, their complete affiliations and positions. **Papers must present original and innovative research.** The text of each abstract – written in Arabic, English or French and not exceeding 300 words – should clearly highlight the results of the research to be presented in the paper and their context. The abstracts of the accepted communications will be published in the abstract booklet of the conference.

Please, follow the “**Guidelines for the Abstracts and Proceedings of the 13th Conference of AIDA**”: <http://atsu.edu.ge/aida13kutaisi/guidelines-for-the-abstracts-and-proceedings-of-the-13th-conference-of-aida/>

Funding for young scholars. 10 young scholars, upon selection by the Executive Board of AIDA, will be offered financial support by AIDA (amounting to a maximum of 200 € per person) to cover the travel/ conference fee. Young scholars who are interested in applying for the conference participation grant (travel and/or conference fee support) should submit their applications, after their papers will be accepted, via e-mail to Assistant Prof. Liesbeth Zack: E.W.A.Zack@uva.nl (For details, see: <http://atsu.edu.ge/aida13kutaisi/wp-content/uploads/2018/02/Grants-for-Young-Researcher.pdf>).

Further important information. A second circular will be sent to all those who have responded to the first circular. The second circular will provide further details, including information on accommodation and means of conference fee payment. This first and all following circulars will be found on the special webpage of AIDA 13, soon. Should you have further questions regarding the conference, please send any inquiries to: aida13kutaisi@gmail.com

With warm greetings and looking forward to seeing you in
Akaki Tsereteli State University, Kutaisi, Georgia

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The Organizing Committee of
the 13th Conference of **AIDA**

