Argumentation, Rhetoric and Discourse: Perspectives on Persuasion

September 23rd – 24th 2021, Ca' Foscari University of Venice

Conference Program

Thursday 23rd September 2021

9:00 – 9:45 *Registration* 9:45 – 10:00 Conference opening

Session 1: Sars-Covid-19 and argumentation

- 10:00 10:30 **Sarah Bigi, Giulia Grata & Paola Mosconi**, Values as arguments in Italian public discourse about measures to contrast the Covid-19 pandemic
- 10:30 11:00 **Salomi Boukala & Dimitris Serafis**, Analyzing argumentative polylogues at the weakening of the COVID-19 pandemic: Political discourses from the European South
- 11:00 11:30 **Jekaterina Nikitina**, *Our vaccine is unique and efficient*, or the persuasion in press releases of COVID-19 vaccine manufacturers

Plenary Session

11:30 – 12:30 Frans van Eemeren, A pragma-dialectical perspective on argumentative style

Lunch

Session 2: Argumentation across specialized domains

14:00 - 14:30 Giuliana Garzone, Dialogism in the service of rhetoric: discourse analytical perspectives

14:30 - 15:00 Paola Catenaccio, Legitimation in CSR reporting: the role of argumentation

15:00 - 15:30 Emanuele Brambilla, Argumentative style in international adoption dossiers

Break

Session 3: Argumentation and humanities

16:00 – 16:30 **Mena Mitrano**, Postcritique, method, persuasion

16:30 – 17:00 **Aysel Ilqar Mammadbayli**, The role of metaphoric mapping in the Rhetorical Structure Theory based on the analysis of English fictional texts

17:00 – 17:30 Paul Tucker, Argumentation and the "Interaction of Minds" in Text: the Case of Discourse on Art

19:30 Social Dinner

Friday 24th September 2021

Session 4: Argumentation and cognition

- 9:30 10:00 Edoardo Lombardi Vallauri, Implicit contents as deceiving arguments
- 10:00 10:30 Tiziana Roncoroni, Implicit and indirect persuasion in linguistic research articles
- 10:30 11:00 **Azad Mammadov & Jamila Agamaliyeva**, Pragmatic function of ellipsis in political interview: a corpus-assisted conversation analysis
- 11:00 11:30 **Natalija Todorovic, Benedetto Lepori, & Andrea Rocci**, Words connecting scientific communities The case of 'argumentation'

Break

Plenary Session

12:00 – 13:00 **Manfred Kienpointner**, Early modern freedom discourse: Argumentative patterns in Arcangela Tarabotti's *Tirannia paterna*

Lunch

Session 5: Argumentation beyond reasonability

- 14:30 15:00 **Ismael Arinas Pellón & Patrizia Anesa**, Stories as emotional persuasion devices: A corpus-assisted study of advance-fee scams
- 15:00 15:30 **Stéphane Rodrigues Dias**, A case study on hate speech in the North and South:politicians as communicative agents
- 15:30 16:00 Thomas Werner, Talking across the (conspiratorial) divide
- 16:00 16:30 Ross Charnock, Bentham on rhetoric: the use and misuse of fallacies
- 16:30 17:00 **Chiara Degano & Francesca Santulli**, Argumentation and discourse: drawing the threads together