



1–3 July 2026 | Bâtiment B011, LPL, Aix-en-Provence, France

About the workshop

This workshop, financed by the ERC project ‘LaDy’, brings together four research labs in the EU working on topics related to the cognitive and neurobiological study of ‘Language in Interaction’: Anna Kuhlen’s research team from RWTH Aachen University in Germany, Cristina Baus’ research team from the University of Barcelona in Spain, Rasha Abdel Rahman’s research team from Humboldt University in Germany, and Kristof Strijkers’ research team from the CNRS and Aix-Marseille University in France. The objective of the workshop is to present and discuss our work on the common topic of investigating language through a social lens, rather than the traditional individualistic approach that dominates the field. A noteworthy particularity of the workshop is that all presentations concern doctoral and post-doctoral researchers, thereby stimulating collaboration and scientific communication not only amongst the PIs, but importantly amongst early-career academics. The long-term objective of the workshop is to establish a European consortium and collaborative network to investigate ‘Language in Interaction’.

Programme

Wednesday, 1 July 2026 Bâtiment B011, LPL, Aix-en-Provence

18h00	<i>Meet & Greet with an apéro-dinatoire in the LPL garden</i>
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Thursday, 2 July 2026 Bâtiment B011, LPL, Aix-en-Provence

09h00–09h20	<i>Welcome & Coffee</i>
09h20–09h30	Anna Kuhlen Presentation of the PI’s lab (Biological and Social Psychology group; RWTH Aachen University, Germany)
09h30–10h00	Madina Khalillaeva <i>Partner-adapted language balance in social interaction</i>
10h00–10h30	Jule Bohlen <i>The Impact of Background Language on Picture Naming in Bilinguals</i>
10h30–11h00	Shuting Chen <i>Interference from Imaginary Collaboration: Evidence from Joint Picture Naming Studies</i>
11h00–11h20	<i>Coffee break</i>
11h20–11h30	Cristina Baus Presentation of the PI’s lab (Language, Cognition & Bilingualism group; Universidad de Barcelona, Spain)
11h30–12h00	Giusy Cirillo <i>From Self to Other: Shared attention elicits co-representation under task and social constraints in a joint picture naming task with remote partner</i>

12h00–12h30	Gulsu Tecer <i>Understanding the Effects of Social Perceptions on Foreign-Accented Speech in Noise: Neurocognitive mechanism of Speech Intelligibility</i>
12h30–13h00	Callum Griffin <i>Lexical and neural alignment in multilingual human and robot interactions</i>
13h00–14h50	<i>Lunch in the garden of the LPL</i>
14h50–15h00	Kristof Strijkers Presentation of the PI's lab (Language & Speech Dynamics group; LPL – CNRS & AMU, France)
15h00–15h30	Daria Goriachun <i>Abstract Concepts in Social Interaction: A Hyperscanning EEG Study</i>
15h30–16h00	Emilia Kerr <i>Neural Alignment of Word Meaning in the Dyad</i>
16h00–16h30	Mia Steffen <i>Predicting Each Other: A Mechanism for Linguistic and Neural Alignment</i>
16h30–17h00	<i>Coffee break</i>
17h00–18h00	<i>Open discussion</i>
20h00	<i>Workshop dinner at restaurant Le Riad (21 Rue Lieutaud, Aix-en-Provence)</i>

Friday, 3 July 2026 Bâtiment B011, LPL, Aix-en-Provence

09h00–09h20	<i>Welcome & Coffee</i>
09h20–09h30	Rasha Abdel Rahman Presentation of the PI's lab (NeuroCognitive Psychology group; Humboldt University, Germany)
09h30–10h00	Marisha Herb <i>Strength of Cumulative Semantic Interference for Social and Other non-Categorical Relations</i>
10h00–10h30	Dimitra Tsiapou <i>Typing and Feeling: Cumulative Interference in Language Production Induced by Emotional Relations</i>
10h30–11h00	Kirsten Stark <i>Lying and truth-telling in social interaction</i>
11h00–11h30	<i>Coffee break</i>
11h30–12h30	<i>Open discussion</i>
12h30–14h00	<i>Lunch in the garden of the LPL</i>

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