We welcome submissions of works that address problems of East Asian linguistics from a theoretical perspective. A special session on 'Word-order variation and universal grammar – areal, dialectal and information-structural perspectives' will be held on the first day of the workshop. Each paper will be allotted 30 minutes for presentation and 15 minutes for discussion.

General Session:

Submissions from any domain of grammar are welcome

Special Session:

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Selection of papers is based on anonymous review of abstracts. A selection committee will be formed to review the submitted abstracts which are considered by the reviewers to be of high interest to the development of theoretical East Asian linguistics and linguistic theory in general. Please follow these guidelines to submit your abstracts:

All submitted abstracts should be written in English and limited to two single-spaced pages, complete with examples and bibliography. All texts should fit within a US letter-size or A4 page, with 1-inch/2.5-cm margin all around. Each abstract should start with the title (centered) at top, followed by 3 single-spaced blank lines, above the main text. Use font size 12 throughout, preferably in Times or Times New Roman. Romanize all Asian texts, and avoid Asian character fonts unless absolutely necessary.

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Important dates:

Deadline for abstract submissions: April 30th 2008

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