

› ICAME 41 – First Circular

Dear ICAMERs,

Preparations for the first ICAME conference of the decade are in full swing and we are very happy to give you an update. Presentations are selected, contributors have just been informed about the decision, and registration is now open!

▶ Abstract Submission and Reviewing

Following a double-blind peer review of 145 main conference submissions, we have accepted 109 full papers and work-in-progress reports, one software demonstration, and 11 posters. We would like to thank our [Scientific Committee](#) and the ICAME board for their excellent work, their time spent, and the feedback that they provided to all the contributors. We also would like to thank all of our [pre-conference workshop](#) conveyors, who are in the process of preparing some truly exciting workshop sessions for ICAME 41. These pre-conference workshops had separate reviewing and decision procedures.

If you submitted an abstract (main conference) but have not yet received any notification, please let us know. You can also always check the status of your submission on [EasyChair](#).

▶ Registration Procedure, Cost, and Payment

To register for ICAME 41, please visit the website (link below) and follow the guided registration form (<https://icame41.as.uni-heidelberg.de/registration>). During registration, early career researchers are welcome to enter the John Sinclair Bursary (awarded for the best paper by an early career researcher).

Since the [ICAME constitution](#) limits the number of delegates to 200, we kindly ask presenters and attending board member to register at their earliest convenience.

The conference fee (350 € early bird fee; 375 € regular fee) includes all coffee breaks, lunches (except Wednesday), the Welcome Reception, the Boat Trip, as well as the Conference Dinner (see [Social Program](#)). Furthermore, you will receive a hardcopy of the current [ICAME Journal](#). Please be aware that it is not possible to be reimbursed if you decide to opt-out of the Conference Dinner.

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You will be able to pay either by bank transfer or credit card. Please be aware that we might need to add additional charges in case of high banking fees.

▶ Venue and Accommodation

The majority of the conference will take place in the Neue Universität (New University Building) at Heidelberg University, which is located right in the city center. You can find a detailed overview of all venues (including a map) on the [conference website](#).

In terms of accommodation, Heidelberg offers a wide range of hotels, hostels, and other alternatives (e.g. Airbnb). You can find a selected list of hotels (with which we have agreed on special conditions) on the “[Accommodation](#)” page. Please be aware that the number of special-rate rooms is limited and we advise you to book accommodation as quickly as possible.

▶ Traveling to Heidelberg

Heidelberg is close to two major airports (Frankfurt Airport / **FRA** and Stuttgart Airport / **STR**). In addition, Mannheim (about 10 minutes to Heidelberg) is one of the largest train stations in Germany. You can find detailed information on our “[Getting Around](#)” page, which also includes information about how to get around in Heidelberg.

▶ Conference Program

ICAME 41 will start on Wednesday, May 20th. Following the pre-conference workshops, the first of [five plenaries](#) as well as the welcome reception will be held on Wednesday evening.

The days of the main conference (May 21st – May 24rd) will, as it has become tradition, start with some housekeeping and a plenary.

We are happy to welcome the following five plenaries to ICAME this year:

Laurence Anthony (Waseda University, Japan)

Douglas Biber (Northern Arizona University, USA)

Miriam Meyerhoff (Victoria University of Wellington, New Zealand)

Laurel Brinton (University of British Columbia, Canada)

Berenike Herrmann (University of Basel, Switzerland)

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Besides the regular sessions (including the poster session), this year's ICAME will also feature a [Panel Discussion](#) as well as a two-hour workshop session titled "[Corpus Linguistics Goes Public](#)".

The traditional ICAME Boat Trip will take place on Friday, May 22nd, right after the workshop session. The (Gala) Conference Dinner will take place on Saturday at restaurant NEO in Heidelberg.

We will provide you with a preliminary program towards the end March.

▶ [Book of Abstracts](#)

Since we want to keep ICAME 41 a (mostly) paperless conference, there will be no physical book of abstract. However, we will publish a PDF-version prior to the conference. Regarding the revision of abstracts, we will be in touch with contributors soon. We will expect revisions by March 31, 2020.

▶ [Notes for Speakers](#)

If you are a contributor (speaker, presenter, plenary speaker), please have a look at our separate document containing information about technical and organizational details.

▶ [Contact Details & Social Media](#)

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us at icame@as.uni-heidelberg.de. For more information, please visit our conference website and follow us on Twitter [@icame41](#). If you want to talk about ICAME 41 on social media, please use the hashtag [#icame41](#).

We look forward to seeing you in Heidelberg in May!

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