

## Language Use and Linguistic Structure: Bringing Comparative and Empirical Studies Together (Olomouc 2023)

Palacký University Olomouc has received Erasmus+ funding for the organization of a “Blended Intensive Programme” (BIP) *Language Use and Linguistic Structure: Bringing Comparative and Empirical Studies Together*, which will help us cover the costs of the Olinco 2023 workshops. What this means for you is that **you can apply for travel support from the Erasmus+ programme at your home institution**. Because covering travel costs might be an issue these days, we believe that this a welcome opportunity for many of you.

### What is a blended intensive programme (BIP)?

Blended intensive programmes are short, intensive programmes that use innovative ways of learning and teaching, including the use of online cooperation. Participants will have to

- participate in **at least one of the three Olinco workshops** (as **presenters** or as **members of audience**), and
- spend five full days in Olomouc during the conference, and also
- participate in one online session in addition to that (to be specified later).

We encourage the participants to submit an abstract (there is a call for papers) and join as **presenters**, but they could also come as **members of audience (or present a paper in the main session and participate in one of the workshops as audience)**.

The Erasmus funded BIP programme entitled **Language Use and Linguistic Structure: Bringing Comparative and Empirical Studies Together** consists of three **workshops**:

- “Deictics and Demonstratives: Comparative and Empirical Approaches” (convenor: Volker Gast, Friedrich Schiller University Jena, Germany)
- “The grammar of results” (convenor: Éva Kardos, University of Debrecen, Hungary)
- “Acquiring speech sounds and prosody in childhood and adulthood” (convenors: Václav Jonáš Podlipský & Šárka Šimáčková)

### Are there any tuition fees?

The BIP participants who will come via the Erasmus+ funding do not pay tuition/conference fee.

### Who can apply?

You can apply for the funding at your university provided

- your home institution holds an Erasmus Charter for Higher Education [ECHE](#)
- and there is a bilateral **agreement** between your institution and Palacký University Olomouc (if there is none, an agreement can be signed)
- both university **employees** (as presenters or members of audience) and **PhD students** (as presenters, or for 3 ECTS credits for a short-term mobility if members of audience) are eligible
  - you can apply for the funding even before submitting a paper or before the notification of acceptance (if submitting a paper)
  - you can also apply for the funding if submitting a paper only to the general section of the conference as long as you participate as a member of audience at one of the workshops
  - or you can come as audience only

- the rest depends on the selection criteria at your home institution

#### EU Member States and third countries associated to the Programme

The following countries can fully take part in all the Actions of the Erasmus+ Programme:

Member States of the European Union (EU) <sup>17</sup>			
Belgium	Greece	Lithuania	Portugal
Bulgaria	Spain	Luxembourg	Romania
Czech Republic	France	Hungary	Slovenia

Denmark	Croatia	Malta	Slovakia
Germany	Italy	Netherlands	Finland
Estonia	Cyprus	Austria	Sweden
Ireland	Latvia	Poland	

Third countries associated to the Programme <sup>18</sup>		
North Macedonia	Iceland	Norway
Serbia	Liechtenstein	Turkey

### What do you need to do if you are interested?

The administration of the BIP programme is very similar to an Erasmus teaching mobility, i.e. **you apply with your home institution and need to have a mobility agreement** signed by your home institution and the host institution (Palacký University Olomouc)

- **Please contact the Institutional Erasmus Coordinator at the International Office at your university** as early as possible, who will tell you how to apply for funding from the BIP program and should help you with all the formalities.
- **What if there is no bilateral agreement between Palacký University Olomouc and your institution?** If your institution agrees, we can sign a bilateral agreement so your travel costs can be covered by your institution. Please contact us asap at [olinco@upol.cz](mailto:olinco@upol.cz) if that is the case.
- Every participant needs **an acceptance email** from their home university which contains the date, place, and name of the BIP (Palacký University Olomouc, Olomouc, Czech Republic, 7-11 June 2022, BIP title: Language Use and Linguistic Structure: Bringing Comparative and Empirical Studies Together). Please note that **a five-day stay** is required. (Please make sure that you book your tickets for the whole event (5 days), not shorter. Before making a final booking, please check with us whether your travel itinerary complies with the BIP rules.)
- Then get back to us at [olinco@upol.cz](mailto:olinco@upol.cz) to have your mobility agreement confirmed and signed or to ask any questions.