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PERSONAL DATA

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RESEARCH POSITIONS

- JAN. 2026 **Research Position** University of Basel – Swiss National Science Foundation (SNSF)
 JAN. 2022 **Project:** “*Like the conversation of a Delta man with a man from Elephantine!* Exploring the interactions between dialectal realities, Levantine loanwords, and socio-linguistic dynamics in New Kingdom Egyptian”
Project aiming at reassessing the evidence for dialects in Late Egyptian, at developing new methods to explore these realities (going beyond phonology and integrating other dimensions, such as morphology and lexicon), and at exploring the underlying socio-linguistic reality (see attached reviews at the end of this CV).
- DEC. 2021 **Research Position** University of Geneva– Swiss National Science Foundation (SNSF)
 AUG. 2021 **Project:** “Wandering Words: Sociolinguistics of Loanwords in Egypt and the Ancient Near East - Results”
Research position as a continuation and conclusion of my previous PostDoc in Berlin.
- MAY 2021 **PostDoc** Freie Universität, Berlin – Swiss National Science Foundation (SNSF)
 OCT. 2019 **Project:** “Wandering Words: Sociolinguistics of Loanwords in Egypt and the Ancient Near East”
Project aiming at studying loanwords in Late Egyptian from a sociolinguistic perspective.
- MAR. 2019 **PostDoc** Charles University, Prague – Swiss National Science Foundation
 OCT. 2017 (SNSF)
Project: “A story of kingdoms, mountains and rivers: the role of territory in the organization of the Egyptian northern Levantine provinces in the Amarna Period”
Project on social networks and geopolitics in the ancient Levant.

NOTE: there are gaps of a few months between my PhD and my first PostDoc in 2017 and again between my first two PostDoc positions in 2019 because in those months I was attending to my mother, who had cancer since late 2016. She passed away in 2019.

EDITORIAL POSITIONS

- CURRENT **Co-Editor** of the academic, peer-reviewed journal *Bulletin of ASOR* (BASOR)
 JAN. 2021 **Editorial team:** My colleagues as co-editors are: Prof. Susan Cohen, Prof. Jana Mynářová, Prof. Regine Pruzsinszky

EDUCATION

- MAR. 2017 **PhD (DPhil)** Oriental Studies University of Oxford – Queen’s College
OCT. 2012 **Major:** Egyptology and Near East Studies
Graduation: March 2017, thesis accepted without corrections (best possible result in Oxford)
Thesis: “*Byblos in the Late Bronze Age: Interactions between the Levantine and Egyptian Worlds*” | **Supervisors:** Prof. Jacob Dahl, Prof. John Baines, Dr. Elizabeth Frood
Others: From 1st January to 31st December 2016 in Rome as visiting research student at La Sapienza University
- JUL. 2012 **MPhil** Oriental Studies University of Oxford – St. Cross College
OCT. 2010 **Major:** Egyptology
Graduation: July 2012, with distinction (best possible result in Oxford)
Thesis: “*The function of final n in selected Late Egyptian texts*” | **Special Field:** Egypt and the Levant | **Supervisor:** Prof. Mark Smith
- JUL. 2009 **Bachelor of Arts (BA)** Universities of Neuchâtel (2006-9) and Geneva (2007-9)
SEPT. 2006 **Major:** in Neuchâtel: Archaeology (Classical and Prehistoric) and CLAM (Civili-
sations and Languages of Antiquity and Middle-Age); in Geneva: Egyptol-
ogy and Coptic.
Graduation: July 2009, with distinction (Magna cum laude)

SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

- JAN. 2026 **Ambizione Grant** University of Basel – Swiss National Science Foundation (SNSF)
JAN. 2022 *Research grant for a project based at the University of Basel*
- DEC. 2021 **Research Grant** University of Geneva– Swiss National Science Foundation (SNSF)
AUG. 2021 *Research grant for a project based at the University of Geneva*
- DEC. 2021 **Mobility Grant** Freie Universität, Berlin – Swiss National Science Foundation (SNSF)
AUG. 2021 *Research grant for a project based at the Freie Universität Berlin*
- 2017-2019 **Early postdoc.Mobility** Swiss National Science Foundation (SNSF)
Research grant for a project based at Charles University in Prague
- 2015-2016 **Doc.Mobility Scholarship** Swiss National Science Foundation (SNSF)
*Scholarship to spend one year as visiting researcher at a foreign university - I chose La Sapi-
enza University in Rome*
- 2012-2015 **Barns Scholarship** Oxford University, Queen’s College
Scholarship for PhD students

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- Spring Semester 2014 – Oxford University: The Tale of Wenamun (Late Egyptian reading class)
- Spring Semester 2014 – Oxford University: Late Egyptian (language course)
- Fall Semester 2014 – Oxford University: Tutorials undergraduate students (introductory general Egyptology course, language tutorials)
- Fall Semester 2014 – The Egypt Exploration Society (London): ‘Egypt and the Near East: a Story of War, Diplomacy, Exotism and Trade’ (interactions between Egypt and the Near East in the Bronze Age).
- Fall Semester 2018 – Charles University, Prague: Egypt and the Levant (introductory course)
- Fall Semester 2020 – Charles University, Prague (online): Byblos in the Bronze Age
- Spring Semester 2021 – Cincinnati University (online): course on Egyptian-Levant-Aegean interactions in the Early Late Bronze Age
- September 2021 – “Hieroglyphic Writing and Derivatives” - Intensive course for advanced and PhD students on Egyptian linguistics and Group Writing
- Summer 2022 – Leiden University – Summer School of Linguistics: intensive courses of Middle Egyptian
- Fall Semester 2022 – University of Neuchâtel: course of Language and Linguistics as sources for historical research (hosted by the department of Ancient History, but with a wide range of students from the departments of ancient history, archaeology, ethnography, classics, etc).
- Spring Semester 2023 – University of Basel: course of Late Egyptian (including hieratic)
- Summer 2023 – Leiden University – Summer School of Linguistics: intensive courses of Middle Egyptian, Late Egyptian, and Coptic
- Summer 2023 – Leiden University – Summer School of Linguistics: Introduction to Afro-Asiatic linguistics
- September 2023 – Basel University – Introduction to coding: Python for Linguists – 2-day intensive workshop

- From spring 2019 to Spring 2022 – Private, freelance online courses of Middle Egyptian

COMPUTER SKILLS AND CONTRIBUTIONS IN THE FIELD OF DIGITAL HUMANITIES

- I have advanced skills in programming (mainly Java, Python and Xojo), in GIS analysis, and in statistical, mathematical and network analysis approaches. I have successfully applied these skills to several of my projects. I have personally developed new software for writing Egyptian hieroglyphs and several algorithms to process linguistic data and tackle computational linguistics problems, as well as multiple databases to store and share my data. I publish all my data and my algorithms online as opensource software, in my GitHub repository: <https://github.com/MKilani>

See in particular my databases focusing loanwords and Egyptian linguistics:

<http://maduwwer.herokuapp.com/ThotBank/>

And:

<http://hathorbank.herokuapp.com/HathorBank/>

ARCHAEOLOGICAL EXPERIENCE

- Jul.-Aug 2007 – Castel di Pietra (Tuscany, Italy - University of Siena)
- Jul. 2008, Aug. 2009 – Tremona-Castello (Ticino, Switzerland)
- Aug. 2010 – Church of Cevio (Ticino, Switzerland)
- Jul.-Aug. 2012 – University of Lausanne (Vaud, Switzerland) – Collaboration in the classification of the archaeological material and reports of the Gallo-Roman sites of Le Chasseron and Orbe-Boscéaz (Switzerland).
- Oct.-Nov. 2015 – Courtételle (Jura, Switzerland)

LANGUAGES

	MODERN LANGUAGES	ANCIENT LANGUAGES
FLUENT:	Italian (native), French (DALF C1), English (IELTS, average 8 - C1).	Latin, Middle/Late Egyptian, Biblical Hebrew, Ugaritic, Akkadian.
ADVANCED:	Spanish.	Coptic, Phoenician, classical Greek.
BASIC / INTERMEDIATE / READING KNOWLEDGE:	Portuguese, Romanian, German, Arabic, Modern Hebrew	Aramaic, Hittite, Sanskrit.

SOCIAL ENGAGEMENT AND VOLUNTEERING

- AUG. 2013 **Participation to a development aid project in a remote rural area of Nepal.** The project was directed by the Swiss NGO Kam for Sud and focused on the improvement of the teaching methods in a school in the village of Saipu, district of Ramecchap. I was in Nepal for about 6 months, and worked there, in the village, collaborating with the local English teachers.
- JAN. 2014
- MAY. 2015 **Internship (volunteering) at the Ethnographic Museum of Lugano, Switzerland** The internship consisted in supporting the researchers in their daily work and collaborating at the preparation of the exhibition and catalogue of paintings by the modern Indian painter Jamini Roy.
- JUN. 2015
- OCT. 2012 **Secretary of the Oxford University Italian Society**
- SEPT. 2013 While in Oxford, I was actively engaged in the Italian Society, taking the role of Secretary in the year 2012-2013. I was also an active member of other student societies.
- BEFORE 2019 **Educational and humanitarian aid activities** Before the COVID pandemic I was often offering special classes on history and archaeology in primary and secondary schools as well as local community groups (e.g. scouts) in my home region in Switzerland. I was also actively supporting FOSIT, a federation of NGO engaged in humanitarian development. During the pandemic, I have continued to follow and nurture these activities, but due to the limitations to travels and gathering, my engagement has taken a rather virtual form.
- CURRENTLY **Indigenous Rights and Indigenous Voices in Academia** I am particularly interested in issues related with Indigenous rights and representation of Indigenous people in Academia. Besides informal activities, I have been in the organizing committee

for the Academic conference *Raising Indigenous Voices in Academia*, which took place in October 2022, hosted by Montana University.

ON-GOING COLLABORATIONS

- Dr. Tiago Tresoldi (Uppsala University, Sweden): developing a software (in the form of an open-source library) for easy-to-use and easy-to-deploy online databases (requiring no specific technical knowledge and editable directly through excel-like files) specifically targeted at linguists and archaeologists, to make the collecting and sharing of data simpler, more efficient, and more convenient.
- Rasmus Gudmundsen Bjørn (Max Planck Institute in Jena, Germany): long term plan for the establishment of a database of loanwords and wanderwords in the ancient Near East (combining the data deriving from our respective projects – the online database will be based on the framework developed with Dr. Tresoldi).
- Prof. Sharon Stocker and Prof. Jack Davis (Cincinnati University, US): study and publications of the new Egypt- and Levant-related objects from their current excavations at Pylos
- Collaboration (in the role of consultant) with design and typography Prof. Mariko Takagi (Doshisha Women's College of Liberal Arts, Kyoto), in the frame of her work on non-Latin writing systems.

SELECTED PAST COLLABORATIONS AND PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- 2020-2021: Development of a Unicode-based font for Egyptian hieroglyphs for the Thesaurus Linguae Aegyptiae (TLA) project in Berlin. I delivered last month the final version of the resulting font, which is called TLA-Ancient-Egyptian; it is the Unicode font used in the recently-published new version of the TLA.
- 2019-2020: Thesaurus Linguae Aegyptiae (TLA) and Database and Dictionary of Greek Loanwords in Coptic (DDGLC) projects, Berlin, Germany: collaboration within the frame of my current PostDoc.
- 2013-2016: I worked as a collaborator of the Online Egyptological Bibliography (OEB - <http://oeb.griffith.ox.ac.uk>).

PARTICIPATION IN ORGANIZING COMMITTEES FOR CONFERENCES

- I have been part of the organizing committee for the **“2023 - Current Research in Egyptology Conference (CRE)”** organized at the University of Basel (September 2023)
- I have organized, together with Rasmus Gudmundsen Bjørn (Max Planck Institute in Jena, Germany) a workshop titled **“Interactions at the dawn of history: Methods and results in prehistoric contact linguistics”** at the **26th International Conference in Historical Linguistics** organized at the University of Heidelberg (September 2023)
- I have been the main organizer for the first **“Swiss Workshop on Sociolinguistics, Language Contacts and Historical Linguistics in the Ancient World”** (Zurich University – February 2023)
- I have been a member of the organizing committee for the academic conference **“Raising Indigenous Voices in Academia (RIVA) 2022”** (Montana University).
- I have collaborated at the organization of the linguistic conference **“Sign, Speech, and Society in the Ancient Near East: 100 Years of Ancient Near Eastern Studies”** in Prague that took place in 2019 at the Charles University in Prague. In particular, I organized a panel focusing on the sociolinguistics, linguistic interactions, and lexical borrowings in ancient societies.

- I have been a member of the organizing committee of the conference **“Crossroads III - A Stranger in the House”** that has been held in Prague in September 2018 – see: <https://crossroadsconference.wixsite.com/crossroads3>
- I have organized, together with Dr. Chris Langer, a workshop for the 5th EISA European Workshops in International Studies (EWIS) held at the University of Groningen (June 2018). Title: **“Archaeology as a Diplomatic Tool—Old and New International Players and Their Political Interest in Global Archaeology”**
- I was a member of the organizing team of the **“Current Research in Egyptology (CRE)”** conference, Oxford 15th—18th April 2015.

PUBLISHED PEER-REVIEWED MONOGRAPHS [SCIENTIFIC AREAS]

- 2019 – *Byblos in the Late Bronze Age: Interactions between the Levantine and Egyptian Worlds*, Studies in the Archaeology and History of the Levant (Harvard Semitic Museum) 9, Leiden; Boston: Brill.
[Egyptology : social history]
- 2019 – *Group Writing: a New Approach to its Vocalization*, Lingua Aegyptia - Studia Monographica 20, Hamburg: Widmaier Verlag
[Egyptology : linguistics/philology]

MONOGRAPHS IN PREPARATION

- *Wandering Words: Sociolinguistics of Loanwords in Egypt and the Ancient Near East* – Editor: Brill.
Monograph presenting the results of my PostDoc in Berlin.

EDITED VOLUMES

- 2019 – *A Stranger in the House: The Crossroads III*, Prague: Czech Institute of Egyptology.
Co-editors: Jana Mynářová, Sergio Alivernini

EDITED VOLUMES IN PREPARATION

- 2019 – Proceeding of the 2023 - *Current Research in Egyptology Conference (CRE)* conference held in Basel

ARTICLES PUBLISHED AND ALREADY ACCEPTED FOR PUBLICATION [SCIENTIFIC AREAS]

- ‘Calculating false cognates: an extension of the Baxter & Manaster-Ramer solution and its application to the case of Pre-Greek.’ *Diachronica* 32:3 (2015) 331–64
[General Linguistics / Computational Linguistics / Digital Humanities]
- ‘A new name of tree in Egyptian: *r-b-r-n* = “juniper” in the Tale of Wenamun.’ *Journal of Near Eastern Studies* 75:1 (2016a) 43–52
[Egyptology : linguistics/philology]
- ‘Between Geographical Imagery and Geographical Reality: Byblos and the Limits of the World in the 18th Dynasty.’ In: Alvarez, Christelle, Arto Beledkianian, Ann-Katrin Gill, and Solène Klein (eds), *Current research in Egyptology 2015: proceedings of the sixteenth annual symposium; University of Oxford, United Kingdom, 15-18, April 2015*, Oxford; Philadelphia: Oxbow Books, 2016b:74-87
[Egyptology : social history]
- ‘Computer Science and Old Excavations: the Case of Byblos.’ In: O’Sullivan, Marini, Binnberg (eds), *Archaeological approaches to breaking boundaries : interaction, integration and division : proceedings of the Graduate Archaeology at Oxford Conferences 2015-2016*, Oxford: BAR (British Archaeological Reports)

international series, 2017a:209–230.

[Egyptology / Near East Archaeology / Digital Humanities]

- ‘The function of final *w* in nouns and adjectives in the autography of selected Late Egyptian texts.’ *Zeitschrift für Ägyptische Sprache und Altertumskunde* 144:2 (2017b) 188–207.

[Egyptology : linguistics/philology]

An updated version of the article and of the appendix, with errata corrige, is available here:

https://www.academia.edu/37727321/The_Function_of_Final_w_in_Nouns_and_Adjectives_in_the_Autography_of_Selected_Late_Egyptian_Texts_ERRATA_CORRIGE

and here:

https://www.academia.edu/37727320/The_Function_of_Final_w_in_Nouns_and_Adjectives_in_the_Auto-graphy_of_Selected_Late_Egyptian_Texts_-_APPENDIX_A

- ‘Contacts between Egypt and India during the Ptolemaic and Roman Periods: An Overview of the Evidence.’ In: Christian Langer (ed.), *Global Egyptology: Negotiations in the Production of Knowledges on Ancient Egypt in Global Contexts*, London: Golden House Publications, 2017c:91–102.

[Egyptology : social history]

- ‘On the Vocalization of Semitic Words in Late Bronze Age Egyptian transcriptions: New Evidence from Papyrus Anastasi I.’ in: Laura Quick et al. (eds.) *To Gaul, to Greece and Into Noah’s Ark: Essays in Honour of Kevin J. Cathcart on the Occasion of His Eightieth Birthday*, Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2019:167–86.

[Egyptology : linguistics/philology]

- ‘FAAL: a Feature-based Aligning ALgorithm’, *Language Dynamics and Change* 11.1 (2020a) 1–47

[Computational Linguistics / Digital Methods]

- ‘Naming Practices and Identity in Early Late Bronze Age Levant: a Linguistic and Geographical Analysis of Local Rulers’ Names Attested in the Amarna Letters.’ *Journal of Ancient Egyptian Interconnections* 27 (2020b) 70–93.

[Egyptology / Ancient Near East Studies : social history]

- ‘Sociolinguistic identities and Egyptian Imperialism in the Early Late Bronze Age Levant.’ *Journal of Ancient Egyptian Interconnections* 28 (2020c) 47–64.

[Egyptology / Ancient Near East Studies : social history]

- ‘Phonological change and interdialectal differences between Egyptian and Coptic: $\underline{d}, \underline{t} \rightarrow c = \mathfrak{x}$ versus $\underline{d}, \underline{t} \rightarrow t = \tau$ ’, *Diachronica* 38.4 (2021a) 601–27

<https://www.jbe-platform.com/content/journals/10.1075/dia.19076.kil>

[Linguistics / Egyptology]

- ‘Final –*ww* in the Late Egyptian Orthography: a linguistic assessment’ *Zeitschrift für Ägyptische Sprache und Altertumskunde* 148.2 (2021b) 207–25.

[Egyptology : linguistics/philology]

- ‘Egyptian words in the Late Bronze Age Levant: a linguistic investigation of New Kingdom Egyptian-Levantine interactions’ *Fronteiras Revista Catarinense de História* 40 (2022a) 97–131.

[Egyptology : sociocultural interactions]

- ‘*tj-n³-y* and *kft(j)w* in the Annals of Thutmose III: a reassessment of Urk. IV 733:4–7’ *Ägypten und Levante* 32 (2022b) 127–141.

[Philology / Linguistics / Sociolinguistics / Egyptology : social history]

- Group Writing. *UCLA Encyclopedia of Egyptology* (2023a) – see: <https://escholarship.org/uc/item/6qf921w4>

[Egyptology : linguistics/philology]

- ‘On the traces of “apples”, “plums” and “pears” : investigating wanderwords in ancient and modern Near Eastern Languages’ *Journal of Historical Linguistics* (published online: 2023) – see: <https://www.jbe-platform.com/content/journals/10.1075/jhl.22008.kil>
[Linguistics / Sociolinguistics / Ancient Near Eastern studies]

- ‘The History of Byblos during the Late Bronze Age’ In: Kertai, Zaven (ed), *Byblos, Gateway to the World*, Leiden: Sidestone Press, (forthcoming) 187-90.

[Egyptology / Near East Archaeology]

- ‘Byblos and its Architecture during the Late Bronze Age’ In: Kertai, Zaven (ed), *Byblos, Gateway to the World*, Leiden: Sidestone Press, (forthcoming) 191-95.

[Near East Archaeology]

CHAPTERS IN COLLECTIVE VOLUMES

- ‘Écriture syllabique et vocalisation’ In: Stéphan Polis (ed.) *Guide des écritures de l’Égypte antique*, Caire : Institut français d’archéologie orientale (IFAO), 2022:188–191.

CONFERENCES AND LECTURES

- 3 Jun 2012 – Co-presentation with Dr. Mark Weeden (SOAS), ‘The peace treaty between Ramesses II and Hattusili III - a cross-linguistic assessment’, **Topics in Egyptology and Ancient Near Eastern Studies**, Research seminar series, Faculty of Oriental Studies, University of Oxford.
- 15 Mar. 2013 – ‘The Astarte Papyrus: an Egyptian version of the confrontation between the Storm God and the Sea’, **Translation and bilingualism in Ancient Near Eastern texts Workshop**, University of Oxford.
- 7 May 2014 – Co-presentation with Yegor Grebnev (PhD student, Oxford University) and Eva Miller (PhD student, Oxford University), ‘Writing Victory: Universal patterns and cultural particularities in conquest records of ancient Assyrian, Chinese and Egyptian kings’, **The Early Text Cultures project**, Wolfson College, Oxford.
- 14 Mar. 2015 – ‘Computer Science and Old Excavations: The case of Byblos’, **Graduate Archaeology at Oxford Conference**, University of Oxford.
- 16 April 2015 – ‘Between Geographical Imaginary and Geographical Reality: Byblos and the Limits of the World in the 18th Dynasty’, **CRE XVI**, University of Oxford.
- 6 May 2016 – ‘A story of kingdoms, mountains and rivers: the role of territory in the organization of the Egyptian Levantine provinces in the Amarna Period’, **CRE XVII**, Krakow University.
- 11 July 2016 – ‘Typing Egyptian Hieroglyphs - An example of Input Method’, **International Association of Egyptologists: Informatique et Egyptologie – 1st Cambridge Workshop**, University of Cambridge.
- 18 Nov. 2016 – ‘SINUHE Project - Typing Egyptian Hieroglyphs - Fonts’, **Göttingen Student Workshop: Egyptology meets IT**, Göttingen University.
- 12 July 2017 – ‘Language interferences in Egyptian: A semantic diachronic perspective’, **DLCE Workshop "Language shift and substratum interference in (pre)history"**, Max-Planck Institute Jena - Department of Linguistic and Cultural Evolution, Jena.
- 7 June 2018 – ‘“We are Phoenicians, not Arabs”: Lebanon between Past and Present’, **Archaeology as a Diplomatic Tool: Old and New International Players and Their Political Interest in Global Archaeology - 5th EISA European Workshops in International Studies (EWIS)**, University of Groningen.

- 12 April 2018 – ‘Group Writing: a New Proposal’, presented as a special seminar at the **Brown University's Department of Egyptology and Assyriology**, Providence.
- 11 Sept. 2018 – ‘Foreign metals, foreign words – Mapping and contextualizing metal related (loan)words in the Bronze Age Levant’, **The Crossroads III - A Stranger in the House**, Charles University of Prague.
- 14 Sept. 2018 – ‘What a feeling - a Linguistic Diachronic Glance at Egyptian Emotions’, presented with Dr. Gaëlle Chantraine (Charles University, Prague) at the **48th Poznań Linguistic Meeting : PLM2018**, Adam Mickiewicz University, Poznań.
- 4 Jul. 2019 ‘Assessing linguistic connections with the help of a neural-network-based semantic similarity model’, **International Conference on Historical Linguistics (ICHL) 24**, The Australian National University, Canberra.
- 17 Sept. 2019 ‘Loanwords of foreignisms? Developing a theoretical framework to analyse words of foreign origin in Egyptian’, **Sign, Speech, and Society in the Ancient Near East: 100 Years of Ancient Near Eastern Studies in Prague**, Charles University of Prague.
- 5 Nov. 2019 ‘Rediscovering the Sound of a Dead Language: Historical Linguistics as a Tool to Investigate Egyptian Society’, at **Yale University's Department of Near Eastern Languages and Civilizations**, Yale University, New Haven.
- 22 Nov. 2019 ‘Egyptian Group Writing: A New Proposal’, at the **ASOR Conference**, San Diego
- 26 Oct. 2020 ‘Dialects in pre-Coptic Egyptian: a new explanation for Egyptian \underline{d} , \underline{t} > c = Coptic χ versus Egyptian \underline{d} , \underline{t} > t = Coptic τ ’ at the 54. **Neue Forschungen zur ägyptischen Kultur und Geschichte & Erman-Tag 2020**, Sächsische Akademie der Wissenschaften zu Leipzig (held online).
- 4 Sep. 2021 ‘Indigenusness and Imperialism in the Levant: ancient and contemporary realities’, at the online conference **Raising Indigenous Voices in Academia (RIVA) 2021**, University of Montana (held online).
- 18 Nov. 2021 ‘Words of War: A Sociolinguistic Analysis of the Egyptian Military Lexicon of Foreign Origin’, at the **ASOR Conference**, Chicago
- 21 Sept. 2022 – ‘Beyond ethnicity: Levantine foreign identities in New Kingdom official texts’, **The Crossroads IV - Migration and Mobility in the Ancient Near East and Egypt**, Charles University of Prague.
- 10 Aug. 2023 – ‘Egyptian Linguistics in a Digital Era: Goals and Interim Results for the LCDE-Project at Basel University’, **ICE XIII - International Congress of Egyptologists**, University of Leiden.
- 4 Sept. 2023 – ‘Interactions at the dawn of history: Methods and results in prehistoric contact linguistics’, **ICLH26 International Conference on Historical Linguistics 2023**, University of Heidelberg.

INVITED LECTURES

- 2 Mar. 2021 participation as invited speaker to the online workshop **Being an Egyptian** for the panel ‘Expressing home’ organized by Dr. Thais Rocha da Silva (Sao Paulo University, Brazil), and Prof. Linda Hulin (held online).
- 19 Mar. 2021 participation as invited speaker to the online workshop ‘Direction of Writing’ organized by design Prof. Antoine Abi Aad (held online).
- 12 Oct. 2022 – ‘Group Writing in New Kingdom Egypt: exploring the socio-cultural dimension(s) of a new orthography.’, **Hieroglyphs in the XXIth Century - Les hiéroglyphes au XXIe siècle**, IFAO / Bibliotheca Alexandrina, Alexandria (Egypt).
- 9 Nov. 2022 – ‘Parlare come un Egizio - lingua e parole come fonti di informazioni storiche e socioculturali’, **L’egittologia duecento anni dopo la Lettre à M. Dacier**, Associazione archeologica Ticinese / Università della Svizzera Italiana, Lugano (Switzerland)
- 28 Apr. 2022 – ‘When one orthography is not enough - Group Writing Function and Functioning’ Land of Writing(s) Series – University of Liège (held online) – see: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XwauRZ40H78>

- 9 Dec. 2022 – ‘Beyond the city’s walls: exploring the position of Byblos within the geopolitical and sociocultural Late Bronze Age landscape’, **Byblos: The World’s Most Ancient Port**, Rijksmuseum van Oudheden, Leiden
- 26 May. 2023 – ‘We are Phoenician, not Arabs’: Lebanon Between Past and Present’, **GHCC Annual Conference: Archaeology, Antiquity, and the Making of the Modern Middle East: Global Histories 1800-1939**, University of Warwick.
- 27 Oct. 2023 – ‘Talk like an Egyptian (or not): a sociolinguistic investigation of Egyptian borrowings in the Late Bronze Age Levant’, **The International Association for Archaeological Research in Western & Central Asia (ARWA)**, (held online).

OTHERS

- Oct. 2022 participation as invited speaker to the Television documentary series **La Storia Infinita**, aired by Italian speaking branch of the Swiss National television (Radiotelevisione della Svizzera Italiana).