Keynote 2

Discourse markers in interaction: distribution and functions

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Abstract

In this presentation I give an overview of the use of Discourse Markers (N= 1872) in a multi-genre corpus of spoken French. Contrasting their use in dialogic and monologic contexts, I will show how their distribution and function is impacted by their context of use. The focus will be on the relationship between frequency, polysemy and polyfunctionality of the markers, and how their (syntactic) form influences their functional distribution.