

Siena, 4-5 May 2007

Aula Meeting, Collegio S. Chiara, via Valdimontone 1



Friday, May 4

9:30 Atsushi Ito (Nanzan University)

Honorification in Japanese and lexical decomposition

10:30 Ian Roberts (University of Cambridge)

Movement, Past-Participle Agreement and Defective Phases

11:30 Coffee Break

12:00 Valentina Bianchi (University of Siena)

Focus and backward anaphora:

a top-down approach based on Schlenker (2005)

-- Lunch Break --

15:00 Kensuke Takita (Nanzan University)

Chinese is head-initial. How about Japanese?

16:00 Coffee Break

16:15 Mamoru Saito (Nanzan University)

Radical reconstruction and the first position effects

17:15 General discussion

(Chair Luigi Rizzi, University of Siena)

Saturday, May 5

9:30 Andrea Calabrese (University of Connecticut)

What happens when we try to learn unfamiliar sounds?

Remarks on the interface between language perception and grammar

10:30 Coffee Break

11:00 Simona Matteini (University of Siena)

On the morphosyntactic acquisition of the German DP

by Italian adult L2 learners: Possessive constructions,

NP placement and inflectional morphology on nominal modifiers

12:00 Keiko Murasugi (Nanzan University)

Intermediate acquisition stages: A view from Japanese

13:00 General discussion

(Chair Adriana Belletti, University of Siena)

Workshop on Romance-Japanese:

Comparative Syntax and Language Acquisition

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