



WOCAL9, RABAT

Pre-WOCAL STUDY DAY

August 24th 2018

Call for Contributions

Issues in Amazigh (Applied) Linguistics: Description, Standardization and Implementation in Public Life

For so many decades now, Amazigh linguistic scholarship has addressed various issues relating to structural, sociolinguistic and educational aspects of the language. With the decision to implement the language into the Moroccan educational system following the Ajdir Speech of 2001, where King Mohamed VI announced the creation of the Royal Institute of the Amazigh culture, ample discussion has been geared to the standardization of the language and its ramifications. Despite these endeavors, the Amazigh language and its new role in public life is still worthy of further academic interest.

The pre-WOCAL study day to be organized on August 24th 2018 welcomes contributions on the theoretical and applied aspects of Amazigh linguistics. On the theoretical side, the contributions will address issues that are current, and that draw from recent literature. The contributors will debate topics relating to the phonological, morphological, syntactic and pragmatic aspects of the language. In order to make the discussion more fruitful, the contributions that adopt a comparative approach are particularly welcome. On the applied side, the papers will focus on the description of problems that characterize the implementation of the language in the Moroccan educational system. This may involve papers on standardization, curricula and evaluation. Contributions from sociolinguistic, anthropological, or political perspectives are also encouraged.

All contributions are to be submitted to BOTH of the following email addresses with the note "WOCAL9 Study Day" as the email subject:

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The deadline for abstracts submission: December 8th, 2017
Notification of acceptance: December 31st, 2017

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