



## Paris 2019: Knowledge and power in a polycentric world

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### Congress theme

The legitimacy of "Europe" and "the West" as identifiable territorial and imagined entities is in crisis. The awareness has grown of a world becoming more polycentric. At the same time, the field of Discourse Studies is growing at a dazzling rate across the globe. Discourse Studies is known for theoretical orientations and methodological tools that account for meaning production as a social practice mobilizing languages, media and technologies. It is thus uniquely placed to observe and analyse the shifting conceptions of a post-colonial, post-Eurocentric, post-west-and-the-rest world. The different understandings of the intersection of language and society, in the range of specific schools, theories and approaches within Discourse Studies promise to inspire conflicting analyses of the world today.

The focus of Discourse Studies also varies according to the specific national or regional contexts in which issues of power and language, subjectivity and inequality, language and context are being problematized. For instance, Anglophone, French-, German-, Spanish-, Portuguese-, and Russian-speaking communities of discourse analysts and theorists are marked by dynamic debates, terminologies and approaches that are not always well known outside each language community. The third DiscourseNet Congress, which is co-organized with ALED, aims to be a site of dialogue and reflection across and about different linguistic and national traditions in Discourse Studies.

DiscourseNet ([www.discourseanalysis.net](http://www.discourseanalysis.net)) is an interdisciplinary network of discourse researchers who have organized more than 25 conferences in Europe over the past ten years. The Asociación Latinoamericana de Estudios del Discurso ([www.comunidadaled.org](http://www.comunidadaled.org)) was formed in 1995 to promote the development of

Discourse Studies in Latin America. ALED has organised 12 International Congresses and about 11 national events for each country member. A joint initiative of DiscourseNet and ALED, DNC3 - ALED invites specific approaches to shifting conceptions of, for instance, “Europe”, “the global South”, “the West”... Within the overarching frame of our contemporary entangled world, we invite discourse analysts from around the world to take stock of contemporary developments in Discourse Studies.

### DNC3 - ALED

- is open to discourse researchers from all disciplines,
- welcomes presentations in the many languages in which discourse research is being done today, aims to create and develop non-hierarchical and open spaces for dialogue and exchange.

We welcome papers which re-examine existing discourse theoretical frameworks, articulate new approaches from different fields and schools, study social phenomena empirically and reflect on the critical potential of Discourse Studies. We also invite contributions that deal with theoretical and/or methodological challenges in Discourse Studies, preferably with a focus on the nexus of knowledge and power.

Researchers may focus on a wide variety of topics. We encourage contributions that seek to develop novel approaches to, for instance: subjectivity in contemporary society, discursive epistemology, indexicality, ideology, knowledge and hegemony, governmentality in the knowledge economy, protest and activism, materiality of/and discourse, critique and reflexivity, bi-, multi- and translingual communication, language policy, discourse and gender, class, migration, racism, populism, (neo-)fascism, discrimination, argumentation and rhetorics, social cognition, institutional discourse, workplace communication, practices and identities in the workplace, multimodal interaction and discourse analysis, online media formats and digital culture, materialism and discourse, digital humanities, cross-cultural interaction, multimodality, corpus and computer-aided analysis, conversation and interaction...

### Keynote speakers

DNC3-ALED will be opened by Johannes Angermüller and Dominique Maingueneau. The speakers will reflect a range of backgrounds and include

- Caterina Carta, Canada (in English)
- Patrick Charaudeau, France (in French)
- Laura Pardo, Argentina (in Spanish)
- Viviane Resende de Melo, Brazil (in Portuguese)