

Symposium on Minority Languages and language policies in the Nordic Countries,
Charles University, Philosophical Faculty, Department of Germanic languages, Prague

24.–27.4.2024 (Wed: arrival) Thursday & Friday (Sat: departure)

WEDNESDAY 24.4.: Arrival

THURSDAY 25.4.:

8.30–9.00: Registration

9.00–9.30: Welcoming words, **Lenka Fárová**, PhD, University lecturer in Finnish studies, Vice Director of the Germanic Department, Charles University, Prague, **Riikka Seppälä**, Deputy Head of Mission, Embassy of Finland, **Other embassies? The Decanate? (Jan Č. cannot come)**

9.30–9.40: Practical issues during the symposium, **Lenka Fárová**

9.40–10.00: Introduction: *Some facts (?) about languages spoken on this planet*, **Yrjö Lauranto**, PhD, doc., Lecturer in Finnish studies, Germanic Department, Charles University, Prague / University lecturer of Finnish, Department of Finnish, Finno-Ugrian and Scandinavian Studies, University of Helsinki

10.00–10.45 (chair YL): Presentation 1: *Language policy, national languages, and minority languages in Finland*, **Tiina Onikki-Rantajääskö**, PhD, Professor of Finnish, Department of Finnish, Finno-Ugrian and Scandinavian Studies, University of Helsinki

10.45–11.15: Break

11.45–12.30 (chair YL): Presentation 2: *Swedish minority language policy and endorsement of immigrants' mother tongue studies at school*, **Boglárka Straszer**, PhD, Professor of Swedish as a second language, School of Languages, Literatures and Learning, Dalarna University

12.30–14.00: Lunch

14.00–14.45 (chair HB): Presentation 3: *Language awareness at the workplace: Multilingualism, (trans)linguaging, and parallel language use in Denmark*, **Marta Kirilova**, PhD, Associate professor, Department of Nordic Studies and Linguistics, University of Copenhagen

14.45–15.15: Break

15.15–16.00 (chair HB): Presentation 4: *Modern urban dialects in Scandinavian cities*, **Ditte Zachariassen**, M.A., PhD student, School of Communication and Culture/Linguistics, Aarhus University & University College of Northern Denmark

16.30–17.30: Prague city tour (with Lenka Fárová, Jens Nielsen & Yrjö Lauranto)

FRIDAY 26.4.:

9.00–9.15: A few words for a good day

9.15–10.00 (chair MK): Presentation 5: *The situation of Saami languages in Norway*, **Lene Antonsen**, PhD, Professor in Saami languages, Department of Language and Culture, UiT The Arctic University of Norway

10.00–10.45 (chair MK): Presentation 6: *Karelian language and Karelian-speaking Finns in Finland*, **Ilia Moshnikov**, PhD, postdoctoral researcher, Karelian Institute, Faculty of Social Sciences and Business Studies, University of Eastern Finland

10.45–11.15: Break

11.15–12.00 (chair LF): Presentation 7: *What is the future of Finland-Swedish Sign Language?*, **Maria Andersson-Koski**, M.A., PhD student, Department of Finnish, Finno-Ugrian and Scandinavian Studies, University of Helsinki

12.30–14.00: Lunch

14.00–14.45 (chair LF): Presentation 8: *Elfdalian: its current status, origin and position within the North Germanic language family – some topics from Sapir and Lundgren's upcoming book 'A Grammar of Elfdalian'*, **Yair Sapir**, PhD, Senior lecturer in Swedish, Faculty of Education, Högskolan Kristianstad

14.45–15.15: Break

15.15–16.30: Round table discussion, **Lene Antonsen** (Norway), **Vít Dovalil** (Czech Republic), **Marta Kirolova** (Denmark), **Tiina Onikki-Rantajääskö** (Finland), **Yair Sapir** (Sweden), moderator **Jens Nielsen**, M.A., Lecturer in Norwegian studies, Germanic Department, Charles University, Prague

19.00: Symposium dinner

SATURDAY 27.4.: Departure

Chairs:

HB = Helena Březinová

LF = Lenka Fárová

MK = Michal Kovář

YL = Yrjö Lauranto