Special Session 1: Subjectivity: Theoretical and Experimental Perspectives

The meaning of subjective predicates, the truth and applicability conditions of subjective judgments, their semantic and syntactic features, as well as their role in the discourse have attracted the attention of both philosophers and linguists for over three decades now. This section will be devoted to discussing, among others:

- philosophical problems connected with subjectivity (disagreement, truth-relativity, context-sensitivity, evaluativity),
- linguistic considerations having to do with identification of subjective predicates, their acceptability in various constructions, and type-theoretic behavior patterns,
- experimental approaches aimed at investigating linguistic, cross-linguistic, and pragmatic phenomena connected with subjectivity and its associates: disagreement, perspectivity, experience, evaluativity and others.

This special session will be preceded by a tutorial consisting of a general overview of the semantics and pragmatics of subjective predicates.

Some relevant references: