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Programma

Lectures prof. **ISTVAN KECSKES** in May 2022

May 10, Tuesday

The socio-cognitive approach to pragmatics and communication

May 11 Wednesday

Processing implicatures in English as a Lingua Franca communication.

May 17 Tuesday

Linguistic Creativity

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The interplay of linguistic, conceptual and encyclopedic knowledge in language use

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Impoverished pragmatics? The semantics-pragmatics interface

May 25 Wednesday

Is the “idiom principle” blocked in bilinguals?