

Seminar series of the Center for Research and Practice in Cultural Continuity

“Decolonizing approaches to studying history and linguistic-cultural heritage. Methods, tools, results and challenges”



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Bringing the subject back into multilingualism research: exploring the linguistic repertoire and lived experience of minority language speakers and learners

In the study of minority languages, there is a growing interest in current and past processes of minoritization, that is, in power mechanisms by which speakers are placed in a subordinate status, and in how stigmatization is experienced. With the concept of the communicative repertoire, linguistic practices beyond the majority/minority dichotomy are explored. Thus, the perspective of experiencing subjects that are socially positioned and situationally position themselves increasingly receives attention. In my presentation I will draw on a long term study carried out in a bilingual Slovene-German school in Carinthia (Austria).

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