

Dear colleagues,

**Mixed models and modern multivariate methods in linguistics**  
**Gemengde modellen en moderne multivariate methoden in de taalkunde**

Following the tradition of celebrating statistics at K.U.Leuven, we are glad to announce the biennial **Leuven Statistics Days 2012**, to be held in Leuven on June 7 and 8, 2012. This edition's theme is "**Mixed models and modern multivariate methods in linguistics**". This international Leuven-based meeting warmly welcomes everyone interested in the methodological and applied themes. Through excellent invited speakers, a number of fine contributions, and a panel discussion, the meeting organizers aim to reach their twofold goal: (1) provide an exchange forum for statistical methods in linguistics and (2) stimulate cross-fertilization, centered around the methodological themes, between researchers in linguistics, bioinformatics, computer science, data mining, engineering, bio-engineering, imaging, and medical statistics, to name but a few.

**Contributed presentations (oral and poster) are very welcome.** To stimulate interaction, the entire meeting is held in a plenary format. Because of that, the number of oral slots available is limited, but the poster sessions are designed to foster interaction.

**Date:** Thursday, June 7 and Friday, June 8, 2012

**Location:** College De Valk, Tiensestraat 41, Leuven

More information can be found at <http://lstat.kuleuven.be/research/lsd/lsd2012/index.htm>

We now invite you to **submit abstracts**. **Guideline for submission can be found below, and on the website mentioned above. To submit, please send the abstract to [info@lstat.kuleuven.be](mailto:info@lstat.kuleuven.be). Abstracts should be sent no later than February 29, 2012.**

Authors of abstracts selected for oral presentation will have the opportunity to give a talk of about 20 minutes. In addition, we plan to organize a poster session to encourage PhD and postdoctoral researchers to present their ongoing work to statisticians from other disciplines.

We hope to welcome you at the Leuven Statistical Days 2012!

**Scientific and organizing committee:** Dirk Speelman (chairman), Geert Molenberghs (LStat organizing chair), An Carbonez, Lilian Wassink, Dirk Geeraerts, Kris Heylen.

## Guidelines for submission of and abstract for the LSD 2012

Total length should not exceed 1 A4 sheet.

Title (in Times New Roman 16)

Authors (the presenter should be underlined) (in Times New Roman 12)

Affiliation of the authors (in Times New Roman 12)

Abstract (maximum 300 words) (in Times New Roman 12)

References (in Times New Roman 12)

The abstract should preferably be submitted in Word and .pdf format. In case LaTeX is used, the LaTeX source code should also be provided.

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