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### ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS

2022 EU- awarded PI for project ABSTRACTION (ERC starting grant).  
2019- Senior Assistant Professor (Rtd-B) at University of Bologna, Italy.  
2017-2019 Research Associate at University of Oxford, UK.  
2015-2017 EU-awarded Marie Curie Postdoctoral researcher, University of Amsterdam, NL.  
2013-2014 6-months Postdoctoral researcher on project VisMet, VU University Amsterdam, NL.  
2008-2011 Ph.D. Linguistics, Università di Torino, IT.  
2004-2007 MA, Theoretical and Applied Linguistics, Università di Pavia, IT.  
1999-2003 BA, Foreign Languages and Linguistics, Università di Pisa, IT.

### OTHER POSITIONS AND AFFILIATIONS

2019-ongoing LILEC Experimental Lab member, University of Bologna, IT.  
2019-2021 External staff - University of Birmingham, Department of English Language and Applied Linguistics MA supervisor for distance MA programmes in Applied Linguistics and TESOL.  
2018-2019 Junior Research Fellow - Jesus College, University of Oxford, UK.  
2018-pres. Executive Committee - RaAM Research and Applying Metaphor.  
2015-pres. Research Area coordinator - Metaphor Lab Amsterdam  
(Research Area: Metaphor and Multimodality)  
2012-2018 PI - Metaphor Geeks Lab, Siena, IT.  
2008/2015 Faculty member, Intercultural Education and Research Center SIS, Siena, IT

### SCHOLARSHIPS AND GRANTS

2022 ERC-2021-STG-101039777 ~ 1.4 million EUR  
2019 Jesus College Major Grant Scheme Funds ~ 3000 EUR  
2015-2017 Marie Curie individual research fellowship (IEF) ~ 187,000 EUR  
2016 KNAW Royal Dutch Academy of Science symposium grant - 3200 EUR  
2016 ABC Amsterdam Brain and Cognition symposium grant - 2500 EUR  
2016 Network Institute Amsterdam symposium sponsorship - 500

2014	Network Institute Amsterdam research sponsorship - 2000 EUR
2013	Network Institute travel grant - 1000 EUR
2008-2011	PhD fellowship - Università di Torino, Italy ~ 36,000 EUR
2009	Italian Ministry of Research visiting PhD fellowship (UCL London, UK) - 1500 EUR
2006	EDiSU scholarship (Universität Konstanz, Germany) -1500 EUR
2005-2006	European Commission Erasmus scholarship ~ 1200 EUR
2005	EILC European Commission scholarship, Jagellonsky University, Krakow -500 EUR

## PUBLICATIONS

(Excluding articles that are currently in preparation)

### As Editor:

1. Bolognesi M., Steen G. (Eds.) (2019). *Perspectives on abstract concepts: From cognitive processing to semantic representation*. Amsterdam: Benjamins Publishing Company.
2. Bolognesi M., Steen G. (Eds.) (2018). *Abstract concepts: Structure, processing and modeling. Special Issue of TopiCS in Cognitive Science*, 10 (3).
3. Bolognesi M., Despot K., Brdar M. (Eds.) (2019). *Metaphor and Metonymy in the Digital Age. Building Repositories of Figurative Language: Methods, Risks, and Challenges*. Amsterdam: Benjamins Publishing Company.

### As Author:

#### *Books*

4. Bolognesi, M. (2020). *Where Words Get Their Meaning. Cognitive processing and distributional modelling of word meaning in first and second language*. Amsterdam: Benjamins Publishing Company.
5. Bolognesi, M., Werkmann Horvat, A. (in press). *New Directions in Metaphor Studies: Cognition, Communication, Creativity, and Variability across Languages and Cultures*. London: Routledge.
6. Littlemore, J., Bolognesi, M., Leung, D., Julich, N., & Sobrino, P. (in press). Emotion-colour Associations across Languages and Genders. Cambridge Elements in Cognitive Linguistics, Cambridge University Press, UK.

#### *International Peer reviewed journals*

7. Roberts, I., and Bolognesi, M. (under review). When does metaphorical language influence emotions and reasoning about the COVID-19 pandemic?
8. Bolognesi, M. M., & Caselli, T. (2022). Specificity ratings for Italian data. *Behavior research methods*, 10.3758/s13428-022-01974-6. <https://doi.org/10.3758/s13428-022-01974-6>
9. Bort-Mir, Lorena and Bolognesi, Marianna. "Reliability in the identification of metaphors in (filmic) multimodal communication" *Multimodal Communication*, 2022. <https://doi.org/10.1515/mc-2021-0022>
10. Werkmann Horvat, A., Bolognesi, M., Littlemore, J., & Barnden, J. (2022). Comprehension of different types of novel metaphors in monolinguals and multilinguals. *Language & Cognition* 14(3), 401-436.
11. Werkmann Horvat, A., Bolognesi, M., Kohl, K. (2021). Creativity is a toaster: Experimental evidence on how monolinguals vs. multilinguals process novel metaphors. *Applied Linguistics*, 42, 5, 823–847.

12. Strik Lievers, F., Bolognesi, M. & Winter, B. (2021). The linguistic dimensions of concrete and abstract concepts: lexical category, morphological structure, countability, and etymology. *Cognitive Linguistics*, 32(4), 641-670.
13. Werkmann Horvat, A., Bolognesi, M., and Kohl, K. (2021). On the status of conventional metaphorical meaning in the L2 lexicon. *Intercultural Pragmatics*, 18(4), 447-467.
14. Werkmann Horvat, A., Bolognesi, M., and Lahiri, A. (2021). Processing of literal and metaphorical meanings in polysemous verbs: An experiment and its methodological importance. *Journal of Pragmatics* 171, 131-146.
15. Wicke, P. and Bolognesi, M. (2021). Covid-19 discourse on Twitter: How the topics, sentiments, subjectivity and figurative frames changed over time. *Frontiers in Communication*, 6, 1-45.
16. Bort Mir, L., Bolognesi, M., Ghaffaryan, S. (2020). Cross-cultural interpretation of filmic metaphors: A think-aloud experiment. *Intercultural Pragmatics* 17(4), 389–416.
17. Wicke, P. and Bolognesi, M. (2020). Framing COVID-19 How we conceptualize and discuss the pandemic on Twitter. *PLoS ONE* 15(9): e0240010
18. Wicke, P., and Bolognesi, M. (2020). Emoji-based semantic representations for abstract and concrete concepts. *Cognitive Processing*, 21, 4, 615-635.
19. Bolognesi, M., Burgers, C., Caselli, T. (2020). On Abstraction: Decoupling conceptual concreteness and categorical specificity. *Cognitive Processing*. 21, 365–381.
20. Vivas, L., Montefinese, M., Bolognesi, M., and Vivas, G. (2020). Core features: measures and characterization for different languages. *Cognitive Processing* 21, 4, 651-667.
21. Cavazzana, A., Bolognesi, M. (2020). Uncanny Resemblance. Words, pictures, and conceptual representations in the field of metaphor. *Cognitive Linguistic Studies*, 7(1): 31-57.
22. Bolognesi M., Strik Lievers F. (2020). How language and image construct synaesthetic metaphors in print advertising. *Visual Communication*. 19,4, 431-457.
23. Stampoulidis, G., Bolognesi, M. (2020). Bringing metaphors back to the streets: A corpus-based study for the identification and interpretation of rhetorical figures in street art. *Visual Communication*.
24. Poppi, F., Bolognesi, M., Oija, A. (2020). Metaphorical conceptualization of pictorial artworks within a participant-based framework. *Semiotica* 236-237. 349-376.
25. Reijnierse G., Burgers C., Bolognesi, M., Krennmayr T. (2019). How Polysemy Affects Concreteness Ratings: The Case of Metaphor. *Cognitive Science* 43, 8, e12779.
26. Bolognesi, M., Vernillo, P. (2019). How abstract concepts emerge from metaphorical images: The metonymic way. *Language and Communication* 69, 26-41.
27. Stampoulidis, G., Bolognesi, M., Zlatev, J. (2019). A Cognitive Semiotic Exploration of Metaphors in Greek Street Art. *Cognitive Semiotics* 12, 1.
28. Bolognesi M., Aina L. (2019). Similarity is Closeness: Using Distributional Semantic Spaces to model Similarity in Visual and Linguistic Metaphors. *Corpus Linguistics and Linguistic Theory* 15(1), 101-138
29. Bolognesi M., Steen G. (2018). Editors' Introduction: Abstract concepts: Structure, processing and modeling. *TopiCS in Cognitive Science*, 10 (3), 490-500.
30. Bolognesi M., Pilgram R., Van den Heerik R. (2017). Reliability in content analysis: the case of semantic features norms. *Behavior Research Methods*, 49(6), 1984–2001.
31. Bolognesi M. (2017). Using semantic features norms to investigate how the visual and verbal modes afford metaphor construction and expression. *Language and Cognition*, 9(3), 525-552.
32. Bolognesi M. (2016). Modeling semantic similarity between metaphor terms of visual vs linguistic metaphors through Flickr tag distributions. *Frontiers in Communication*, 1:9.
33. Bolognesi M., Bichisecchi, R. (2014). Metaphors in dreams: where cognitive linguistics meets psychoanalysis. *Language and Psychoanalysis*, 3(1), 4-22.

*National Peer reviewed journals*

34. Bolognesi, M. (2019). Il linguaggio figurato nella comunicazione multimodale. Il genere pubblicitario e la campagna sociale [Figurative language in multimodal communication. Insights from the genres of advertising and social campaigns]. *Ricognizioni*, 6(12).
35. Bichisecchi, R., Bolognesi, M. (2014). La metafora onirica tra linguistica cognitiva e psicoanalisi. *Quaderni di psicoterapia comparata*, 3, 223-245.
36. Bolognesi M. (2011). Il lessico mentale bilingue e gli spazi semantici distribuzionali: e similarità tra i verbi in L1, in L2 e nei corpora. *Studi di Glottodidattica*, 5(2), 51-72.
37. Bolognesi M. (2011). Il Lessico Mentale Bilingue, i Legami Semantici e quelli Episodici, un esperimento. *Studi di Glottodidattica*, 5(1), 64-71.
38. Bolognesi M. (2010) La Competenza Lessicale nei Processi di Apprendimento di L2 e All'interno del Metodo Didattico FICCS. *Bollettino Itals VIII*, 35.

*Invited Book Reviews*

39. Bolognesi, M. (2019). Book Review of Perception Metaphors, edited by Laura J. Speed, Carolyn O'Meara, Lila San Roque and Asifa Majid. Amsterdam: Benjamins Publishers. *Journal of Pragmatics* 155, 160-162.
40. Bolognesi, M. (2018). Book Review of Multimodal Metaphor and Metonymy in Advertising – by Paula Perez Sobrino. John Benjamins Publishing Company. *Language and Cognition*, 10, 3, 552-559.

*Book chapters (peer reviewed)*

41. Bolognesi, M. (forthcoming). Metaphor. In I. Keckskes (Ed.) *Cambridge Handbook of Intercultural Pragmatics*.
42. Kohl, K., Bolognesi, M., Werkmann Horvat, A. (2020). The creative power of metaphor. In Katrin Kohl et al. (eds). *Creative Multilingualism. A manifesto*. Cambridge, UK: Open Books Publishers, pp. 25-46.
43. Bolognesi M., Timmermans B., Aroyo L. (2019). VisMet and the crowd: What does social tagging reveal about visual metaphors? In M. Bolognesi, M. Brdar, K. Despot (Eds.) *Metaphor and Metonymy in the Digital Age. Building Repositories of Figurative Language*: Amsterdam: Benjamins Publishing Company, pp. 99-121.
44. Bolognesi M., Despot, K. (2019). Editors' Introduction to *Metaphor and Metonymy in the Digital Age. Building Repositories of Figurative Language*: Amsterdam: Benjamins Publishing Company, pp. 1-19.
45. Bolognesi M., Steen G. (2019). Editors' Introduction. In M. Bolognesi, G. Steen (Eds.) *Perspectives on abstract concepts: From cognitive processing to semantic representation*. Amsterdam: Benjamins Publishing Company, pp. 1-13.
46. Bolognesi, M. Van den Heerik R., Van den Berg E. (2018). VisMet: a corpus of visual metaphors. In G. Steen (ed.) *Visual Metaphor: structure and process*. Amsterdam: Benjamins Publishers, pp. 89-114.
47. Bolognesi M. (2017) Grammatica visiva e apprendimento: aspetti semiotici delle vignette di Valico e trasposizione verbale nelle descrizioni di anglofoni. In E. Corino, C. Onesti (eds.) *Italiano di Apprendenti. Studi a partire da Valico e Vinca*. Roma: Guerra, pp.21-40.
48. Bolognesi M. (2017). Conceptual metaphors and metaphorical expressions in images. In A. Baicchi, E. Pinelli (eds.) *Cognitive modelling in language and discourse across cultures*, Cambridge: Cambridge Scholars Publishing, pp. 367-383.
49. Bolognesi M. (2017). Flickr Distributional TagSpace: Evaluating the Semantic Spaces emerging from Flickr Tags Distributions. In M. Jones (ed.) *Big Data in Cognitive Science*. New York: Routledge, pp. 144-173.

50. Bolognesi M. (2016) Metaphors, bilingual mental lexicon and distributional models. In E. Gola, F. Ervas (eds.) *Metaphor and Communication*. Benjamin Publishing Company, Amsterdam, pp.105-122.
51. Bolognesi M., Ghaffaryan S. (2015). The concept of power in Iran and U.S.A.: Metaphors and mental images from a cross-cultural perspective. In E. Nash, N. Brown, L. Bracci, *Intercultural horizons. Volume III, Intercultural competence- key to the multicultural societies of the globalized world*. Cambridge: Cambridge Scholars Publishing, pp. 312-329.

*Conference proceedings (peer reviewed)*

52. Bolognesi, M. (2019). How do words vs. images construct and represent metaphor. *CEUR Workshop Proceedings, Vol. 2347/1. Proceedings of Tricolore conference 2018: Creativity, Cognition, Computation*, Bolzano, Italy.
53. Bolognesi M. (2014) Distributional Semantics meets Embodied Cognition. In *Selected Papers from the 4th UK Cognitive Linguistics Conference*, 18-35.
54. Bolognesi M. (2010) The Bilingual Lexicon, Semantic Links in L1 versus Episodic Links in L2: a case study. In *Proceedings of YLMP 2010*, Poznan.

*Other editorial projects*

55. Bolognesi M. (forth.) Competenze di Lettura. In M. Arcangeli (ed.) *Grammatica Italiana*. Milano: Mondadori. [Reading Competences. In: Italian Grammar for high-schools].
56. Bolognesi M. (forth.) Competenze di Scrittura. In M. Arcangeli (ed.) *Grammatica Italiana*. Milano: Mondadori. [Writing Competences. In: Italian Grammar for high-schools]
57. Bolognesi M, Biagi F, Bracci L, Filippone A. (2011) Workbook for study abroad university students, learners of Italian: "L'italiano...in Servizio! Un modello di service learning per l'apprendimento della lingua italiana". Siena: Cantagalli.
58. Bolognesi M. (2010) L'acquisizione lessicale. In L. Bracci, A. Filippone (eds.) *L'educazione Riflessiva ed Interculturale: L'approccio FICCS allo Studio della Lingua e della Cultura Italiana*. Roma: Carocci.

*Articles for the large public*

59. Bolognesi, M. (2018). How language shapes your thoughts – what researchers know. *The Conversation*, UK.  
<https://theconversation.com/how-language-shapes-your-thoughts-what-researchers-know-96047>
60. Bolognesi, M., Strik Lievers, F. (2018). The coded images that let advertisers target all our senses at once. *The Conversation*, UK.  
<https://theconversation.com/the-coded-images-that-let-advertisers-target-all-our-senses-at-once-98676>

## ORGANIZATION OF CONFERENCES AND OTHER EVENTS, AND INVOLVEMENT IN SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEES

- 2022 Program committee – *StarSem 2022 The 11th Joint Conference on Lexical and Computational Semantics*, Seattle, USA.
- 2022 Scientific Committee – *15th RaAM Conference*, Bialystok, Poland.
- 2021 Program committee and seminar chair at Lab Sperimentale Lilec - *Language processing and generation meets AI: methods, applications, open challenges*, Università di Bologna, september-december 2021.

- 2021 Program committee – *CLiC-it 8<sup>th</sup> Italian conference of Computational Linguistics*, Milano, IT.
- 2021 Organizer - *LILEC Summer School 2021 Catching Language Data*, University of Bologna, Italy.
- 2021 Scientific Committee – *14<sup>th</sup> RaAM Conference*, Vilnius, Lithuania.
- 2021 Scientific Committee – *6<sup>th</sup> MedCom conference 2021. Media and mass communication. Communication and cultural change*. University of Cagliari, Italy.
- 2020 Program committee – *StarSem 2020: The Ninth Joint Conference on Lexical and Computational Semantics*. Barcelona, Spain.
- 2020 Program committee – *CLiC-it 7<sup>th</sup> Italian conference of Computational Linguistics*, Bologna, IT.
- 2020 Program Committee - *7<sup>th</sup> UK Cognitive Linguistics Association Conference*. University of Birmingham, UK.
- 2020 Scientific Committee - *13<sup>th</sup> RaAM Conference*, Hamar, Norway, June 2020.
- 2019 Organizer and co-chair – *The Creative Power of Metaphor* international conference, University of Oxford, UK (March 2019).
- 2020 Program committee – *StarSem 2019 The Ninth Joint Conference on Lexical and Computational Semantics*. Minneapolis, USA.
- 2019 Program committee – *CLiC-it 6<sup>th</sup> Italian conference of Computational Linguistics*, Bari, IT.
- 2019 Organizer - *Performing Languages 2019* (annual Creative Multilingualism conference), Birmingham City University, UK (February 2019).
- 2018 Scientific Committee – *Metaphor Festival 2018 international conference*. UvA University Amsterdam, NL (August 2018).
- 2018 Organizer and chair: *Metaphor, Emotion, and Multilingualism*. Knowledge exchange seminar with international speaker. University of Oxford, UK (May 2018).
- 2018 Organizer: *Sweet voice and round taste: Cross-sensory metaphors and linguistic variability*. Knowledge exchange seminar with international keynote speaker. University of Oxford, UK (May 2018).
- 2018 Organizer and chair: *Figurative Frames in Political Communication*. Knowledge exchange seminar with international speaker. University of Oxford, UK (May 2018).
- 2018 Organizer and chair: *Metaphors, Linguistic Diversity and Foreign Language Learning*. Knowledge exchange seminar with invited speakers, University of Oxford, UK (May 2018).
- 2018 Organizer Creative Multilingualism Metaphor Workshop for professionals, University of Oxford, UK (February 2018).
- 2018 Scientific committee– *RaAM 12 Researching and Applying Metaphor* Polytechnic University Hong Kong, HK.
- 2017 Scientific Committee- *AISC 2017 Associazione Italiana Scienze Cognitive*, IT.
- 2017 Organizing Committee– *Brain Day 2017*. ABC- Amsterdam Brain and Cognition, UvA University, Amsterdam NL.
- 2017 Program committee- *CREOL@JOWO2017* (Contextual Representation of Objects and Events in Language), Bozen, IT.
- 2017 Program committee- *Metaphor Festival 2017 international conference*. UvA University Amsterdam, NL.
- 2016 Organizer and coordinator: *Abstract Concepts: Structure, processing and modeling. International Symposium and Debate*, UvA University Amsterdam, NL.
- 2016 Organizing committee- *Metaphor Festival 2016 international conference*,

UvA University Amsterdam, NL.

- 2015 Organizer and chair: *The importance of Event Knowledge in the Organization and Structure of Semantic Memory*. Seminar with international keynote speaker. UvA University Amsterdam, NL.
- 2013 Scientific committee: *3rd international conference Intercultural Horizons*, Cagliari, IT.
- 2011 Organizing committee: *International Symposium IPSL* (Reed College, Portland, Oregon USA).

### ORGANISATION AND INVOLVEMENT IN PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT EVENTS WITH PLANNED OUTREACH ACTIVITIES

- 2019 Babel exhibition: Library Lates (Creative Multilingualism activity organized at this public event), Oxford, UK (March 2019).
- 2018 Being Human Festival (Creative Multilingualism activity organized at this public event), Oxford, UK (November 2018).
- 2017 Curiosity Carnival (Creative Multilingualism activity organized at this public event), Oxford, UK (October 2017).

### EDITORIAL SERVICE

- 2020-pres. Review Editor for the journals *Frontiers in Psychology* and *Frontiers in Communication*.
- 2020- pres. Book Review Editor for the journal *Metaphor and Symbol*.
- 2020-pres. Editorial board member – book series *Metaphor in Language, Cognition, Communication* (Benjamins Publishers).
- 2017-2018 Topic Editor, *Topics in Cognitive Science* international journal.
- 2011-pres. Reviewer for:  
Acta Psychologica  
Applied Linguistics  
Applied Ontology  
Applied Psycholinguistics  
Behavior Research Methods  
Cognitive Processing  
Frontiers in Psychology  
Intercultural Pragmatics  
Journal of Pragmatics  
Language and Cognition  
Memory and Cognition  
Metaphor and Symbol  
Metaphor and the Social World  
Public Journal of Semiotics  
Visual Cognition  
Visual Communication

### MEMBERSHIP OF INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

- 2021 APA Society (American Psych. Association).
- 2020-2021 Cognitive Science Society
- 2018-2020 BAAL (British Association of Applied Linguistics)
- 2017-2019 Psychonomic Society, USA.
- 2017-ongoing SALC (Scandinavian Association for Language and Cognition)
- 2016-ongoing UK-CLA (UK Cognitive Linguistics Association)

- 2016-ongoing RaAM (International Research and Applied Metaphor Association)  
 2016-ongoing Language and Mind Research Network, University of Edinburgh.

### INVITED TALKS AND SEMINARS

- 2022 Invited plenary speaker at national conference "Linguaggio e conoscenza: prospettive per lo studio della mente", University of Messina, IT. October 2022.
- 2022 Invited keynote speaker at International conference CIRM "Metaphor in Digital Communication", University of Modena and Reggio Emilia, Modena IT., October 2022.
- 2022 Invited speaker (seminar) at Faculty of Education and Humanities, in collaboration with "Reggio Children" foundation. Reggio Emilia, IT, October 2022.
- 2022 Invited speaker (plenary) at symposium "Exploring the pitfalls and promises of metaphor use in communication with low-literate audiences" Radboud University, Nijmegen, NL, September 2022.
- 2022 Invited speaker (seminar) at ERC-Consolidator INSCRIBE seminars "SCRIBO", Faculty of Humanities, University of Bologna, May 2022.
- 2022 Invited speaker (seminar) at Discourse and Text Research Group, Lancaster University, UK, March 2022.
- 2022 Invited speaker (seminar) at Body, Language, Action Lab, University of Rome Sapienza, March 2022.
- 2022 Invited guest speaker (graduate course) at U. Wisconsin Madison (Psych 521: The Structure of Human Thought: Concepts, Language and Culture, prof. Gary Lupyan), March 2022.
- 2022 Invited speaker (seminar) at Metaphor Lab Amsterdam, March 2022.
- 2021 Invited keynote speaker at International conference *Neuromania*, Torun, Poland, November 2021.
- 2021 Invited plenary speaker at International conference *The building blocks of information transfer in language processing*, Zagreb, Croatia, October 2021.
- 2021 Invited keynote speaker to *Croatian Applied Linguistics Society 35<sup>th</sup> conference. Language in the Digital Environment*. Osijek, Croatia, September 2021.
- 2021 Invited speaker to *MA program excellence track in Linguistics*, seminar at University of Firenze, Italy (virtual). May 2021.
- 2021 Invited speaker at IANUA - ISSUGE Scuola Superiore dell'Università di Genova Winter school *Critical Thinking*, (virtual). February 2021.
- 2021 Invited lecture for doctoral programme at Loránd Eötvös University, Hungary. (virtual). February 2021.
- 2021 Invited speaker to *The Bremen-Groningen Online Workshops on Multimodality*. Bremen University (virtual). January 2021.
- 2021 Invited speaker to *International Multimodal Communication Centre*. University of Oxford. (virtual). January 2021.
- 2020 Invited speaker to *CARLA2020: Concepts in Action: Representation, Learning and Application*. University of Bolzano, Italy (virtual). September 2020.
- 2020 Invited keynote speaker to *13th RaAM Conference*, Hamar, Norway, (virtual) June 2020.
- 2020 Invited speaker at IANUA - ISSUGE Scuola Superiore dell'Università di Genova Winter school *Critical Thinking*, February 2020.
- 2020 Invited speaker at CIRM seminars *Research at the Metaphor Lab – Metaphor and Multimodality*, January 2020.



- 2019 Invited Mini-Lab Leader EMCL 2019 (*Empirical Methods in Cognitive Linguistics Summer School*) Tartu, Estonia, July 2019.
- 2019 Invited Workshop "Fantastic Visual Metaphors and where to find them: An introduction to the identification of visual metaphors" – *7th specialised RaAM seminar* in Liège, Belgium, May 2019.
- 2018 Invited keynote speaker – *Tricolore 2018: Creativity, Cognition, Computation*, University of Bozen, Italy, December 2018.
- 2018 Invited keynote speaker – *5<sup>th</sup> International Conference Metaphor and Discourse*, University Jaume I, Spain, November 2018.
- 2017 Invited plenary speaker – *Intertext and Intermedia international conference*, University of Torino, IT, November 2017.
- 2017 Invited speaker – *Vismet 1.0 Corpus of visual metaphors*. Seminar and Workshop, Lund University, Dep. Cognitive Semiotics, Sweden, November 2017.
- 2017 Invited speaker – *Everyday creativity in Communication* – University of Birmingham, UK, September 2017.
- 2017 Invited discussant and chair – *Metaphors of the mind, international workshop and round table*, ISR Rome, Italy, May 2017.
- 2017 Invited Speaker – *Distributional similarity beyond linguistic contexts: modeling metaphorical similarity in visual vs. verbal metaphors*. Seminar, University of Stuttgart, Germany, Institute for Natural Language Processing, May 2017.
- 2017 Invited Speaker – *Metaphorical similarity in visual metaphors and linguistic metaphors: A distributional approach*. Seminar, at University of Pisa, Computational Linguistics Lab, May 2017.
- 2017 Invited Speaker – *Visual metaphors and abstract concepts*. Seminar, at University of Bologna, Philosophy and Communication Department, April 2017.
- 2017 Invited Speaker – *High concepts Low downs*. Workshop at University College Dublin, Ireland, Creative Language System Group, Fac. Computer Sciences, March 2017.
- 2017 Invited Speaker – *Linguistic Metaphors and Visual Metaphors: a distributional approach*. Seminar at University of Firenze, LABLITA Lab for computational linguistics and lexicography, Firenze, Italy, February 2017.
- 2016 Invited Speaker – at OAP (Senior Researchers Day, at ACLC, UvA University, talk: "Distributional similarity beyond linguistic occurrences: the strange case of metaphor similarity in images and texts"), UvA, Amsterdam, December 2016.
- 2016 Invited Plenary Speaker - *Symposium Building Figurative Language Repositories: Methods, Risks and Challenges*. Zagreb, Croatia, May 2016.
- 2016 Invited speaker – *Flickr Distributional TagSpace*. Seminar at CompSem Lab, Computer Science Dep., University of Colorado, USA, January 2016.
- 2016 Invited Plenary Speaker *Better write it or draw it?* Academy for text and image, Amsterdam, June 2016.
- 2016 Invited speaker *COGVIM project: First Results*. Metaphor Lab Amsterdam Research colloquia, April 2016.
- 2015 Invited speaker *COGVIM: cognitive grounding of visual metaphor*, ACLC group Research meeting, October 2015.
- 2015 Invited speaker - *Visual metaphors and migration*. Workshop at IH 2015 international conference, Cagliari, IT, September 2015.

- 2015 Invited speaker *Visual metaphors, verbal metaphors, and dangerous things*, Metaphor Lab Amsterdam Research meeting, March 2015.
- 2013 Invited speaker *Visual Metaphors: where the mappings come from*, Metaphor Lab, VU University Amsterdam, October 2013.
- 2013 Invited speaker *Distributional semantics: a study on foreign language acquisition and a comparison between corpora of linguistic data and corpora of annotated images*. Dep. Language and Communication, Università di Torino, Italy, September 2013.
- 2013 Invited speaker *Visual Metaphors*, Dep. Language and Communication, Università di Torino, Italy, March 2013.

#### CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS (PEER-REVIEWED ABSTRACTS)

- 2022 *Visual and linguistic synaesthetic metaphors in print advertising: an experimental study*  
15th International conference RaAM. Bialystok, Poland, September 2022.
- 2022 *Comprehension of different types of novel metaphors in monolinguals and multilinguals*  
15th International conference RaAM. Bialystok, Poland, September 2022
- 2022 *What makes an awfully good oxymoron?*  
6<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Figurative Thought and Language Poznań, Poland, April 2022.
- 2020 *Concreteness and Specificity for AI.*  
AAAI Fall Symposium Series on Conceptual Abstraction and Analogy in Natural and Artificial Systems. Online, November 2020.
- 2020 *The linguistic dimensions of abstract concepts.*  
UK Cognitive Linguistics Conference, UK CLC, July 2020.
- 2020 *Creativity is a toaster: Experimental evidence on how monolinguals vs. multilinguals process novel metaphors*  
UK Cognitive Linguistics Conference, UK CLC, July 2020.
- 2020 *'That's some passionate-ass blue!' Feeling-colour associations across languages*  
UK Cognitive Linguistics Conference, UK CLC, July 2020.
- 2019 *Demolishing walls and myths: Cognitive salience of literal and metaphorical meanings in L1 and L2 speakers.*  
Conference on Multilingualism 2019, Leiden, NL, September 2019.
- 2019 *Demolishing walls and myths: Cognitive salience of literal and metaphorical meanings in L1 and L2 speakers.*  
Metaphor Festival 2019, Amsterdam, NL, August 2019.
- 2019 *Demolishing walls and myths: Cognitive salience of literal and metaphorical meanings in L1 and L2 speakers.*  
International Cognitive Linguistics Conference (ICLC), Nishinomiya, Japan, August.
- 2018 *Taking Metaphors back on the Streets: The case of Greek Street Art*  
4<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Figurative Thought and Language, Braga, PT, October 2018.
- 2018 *Selling the untouchable: how are abstract concepts represented in visual metaphors?*  
Metaphor Festival 2018, Amsterdam, NL, August 2018.
- 2018 *A method for metaphor identification in moving pictures*  
Metaphor Festival 2018, Amsterdam, NL, August 2018.
- 2017 *Concreteness ratings meet Metaphoricity*  
Metaphor Festival 2017, Amsterdam, NL, August 2017.
- 2017 *Concreteness ratings meet Metaphoricity*  
ICLC International Cognitive Linguistics Conference, Tartu, ESTONIA, July 2017.
- 2017 *Flickr Distributional TagSpace: Modeling the semantic information encoded in Flickr tags.*

- Int. Conf. Multimodal Communication: Developing New Theories and Methods, Osnabruek, DE, July 2017.
- 2017 *Concreteness ratings meet Metaphoricity*  
SALC 6, Scandinavian Association for Language and Cognition Conference, Lund, SWEDEN, April 2016.
- 2016 *Visual synaesthesia in print advertising*  
Perception Metaphor 2016. Max Planck Institute for Psycholinguistics, Nijmegen, NL, November 2016.
- 2016 *Similarity is Closeness: Distributional Semantic Spaces, Visual and Linguistic Metaphors.*  
Metaphor Festival 2016, Amsterdam, Netherlands, August 2016.
- 2016 *Exploring visual synaesthesia in print advertising*  
Metaphor Festival 2016, Amsterdam, Netherlands, August 2016.
- 2016 *Metaphor similarity in visual vs verbal metaphors through semantic features norms*  
6th UK Cognitive Linguistics Conference, Bangor UK, July 2016.
- 2016 *Visual Metaphor: an online corpus and a model of analysis.*  
RaAM 11 Researching and Applying Metaphor international conference, Berlin, Germany, July 2016.
- 2015 *The cognitive operations between domains in visual metaphors*  
IV International conference on Metaphor and Discourse. Castelló de la Plana, Spain, December 2015.
- 2015 *Conceptual metaphors & metaphoric expressions in images*  
2nd International Symposium on Figurative thought and language. Pavia, Italy, October 2015.
- 2015 *Visual metaphor: an online corpus and a model of analysis.*  
Metaphor Festival 2015. Stockholm, Sweden, August 2015.
- 2013 *Metaphors for Power: a cross-linguistic and cross-cultural perspective*  
Intercultural Horizons 2013, ICIE Italy.
- 2013 *The behavior of source and target domains of verbal and visual metaphors in corpora of texts and corpora images: where the mappings come from.*  
International conference Metaphor Festival 2013, University of Stockholm, Sweden.
- 2013 *The behavior of source and target domains in corpora of text and images: where the mappings come from.*  
CRAL 3rd International conference on Meaning Construction and Meaning Interpretation.  
*Finalist for the award of best post-doc presentation.*
- 2013 *Visual metaphors: properties and distributions of source and target domains*  
Winter school Metaphor Lab: the next level. Amsterdam, Netherlands.
- 2012 *Distributional semantics meets embodied cognition: Mining Flickr tags distribution*  
4th UK Cognitive Linguistics Conference, London, UK.
- 2011 *Supporting language acquisition in Service contexts*  
International Symposium IPSL, Siena, Italy.
- 2011 *Cognitive metaphors and motion verbs in L1 and L2*  
Metaphor Festival, Stockholm.
- 2011 *Cognitive metaphors and motion verbs in Italian and English*  
Metaphor and Communication, International Conference, Cagliari, Italy.
- 2010 *Full Immersion: Culture, Content, and Service. Siena Italian Studies Didactic Approach*  
IPSL International Conference, Portland, OR, USA.

- 2010 *The Bilingual Lexicon: Semantic Links in L1 versus Episodic Links in L2*  
Poster presentation. 3rd UK Cognitive Linguistics Conference, London, UK.
- 2010 *Semantic memory and Episodic memory in the Bilingual mental lexicon*  
Young Linguists Meeting in Poznan, Poland.
- 2008 *Social Networking and Language Teaching*  
AAIS, AATI International conference, Taormina, Italy.

### RESEARCH TRAINING

- 2013 Invited talk and participation at Metaphor Lab Winter school: The Next level, VU University, NL.
- 2011 Summer School Language and Speech Technologies participation, Tarragona, Spain.
- 2011 Awarded participation to Empirical Methods in Cognitive Linguistics (EMCL5), Freiburg, Germany.
- 2010 Collecting experimental data for VALICO corpus, University of Torino Italy.
- 2009 Awarded participation to TRIPLE (Research Desk on Word and Lexicon), Rome, Italy.
- 2009 Collecting experimental data (for PhD dissertation) with bilinguals at UCL, London, UK.
- 2006 Collecting experimental data (MA thesis) with bilingual children in Konstanz, DE.

### ACADEMIC ADVISING, SUPERVISION, STUDENT-LED COLLABORATIONS AND PARTICIPATION IN PHD COMMITTEES

- 2020-ongoing Supervising (as co-promotor) PhD candidate Jie Fu at UvA University of Amsterdam, PhD programme in Linguistics.
- 2020-ongoing Supervising 6 BA students at University of Bologna, faculty of Modern languages, Literatures and Cultures.
- 2020 Supervising 3 MA students at University of Birmingham, enrolled at Distance MA programmes in Applied Linguistics and TESOL.
- 2019 External advisor for student-led project with PhD fellow Phillip Wicke @Computer Science Dep., UCD Dublin.  
Outcome: co-authored paper: Wicke, P., Bolognesi, M. (2020). Emoji-based semantic representations for abstract and concrete concepts.
- 2018 1 MA thesis co-supervision with Prof. Alan Cienki (VU University, dep. Language and Communication).  
Outcome: student graduated and her thesis was awarded the Christina Alm-Arvius Award at metaphor festival 2018.
- 2018 Advising visiting PhD fellow Alessandro Cavazzana @Oxford University.  
Outcome: co-authored paper: Cavazzana, A., Bolognesi, M. (2020). Uncanny Resemblance. Words, pictures, and conceptual representations in the field of metaphor. *Cognitive Linguistic Studies*.
- 2017 Advising visiting PhD fellow Lorena Bort Mir @Metaphor Geeks Lab, Siena.  
Outcome: co-authored paper Bort-Mir L., Bolognesi, M., Ghaffaryan, S. (2020). Cross-cultural interpretation of filmic metaphors: A think-aloud experiment.
- 2017 PhD reading and defense committee:  
Geoffrey Ventalon, PhD in Cognitive Psychology at University Paris 8, FR.
- 2017 Advising MA student's research project @UvA University.

- Outcome: publication: Bolognesi M., Aina L. (2019). Similarity is Closeness: Using Distributional Semantic Spaces to model Similarity in Visual and Linguistic Metaphors. *Corpus Linguistics and Linguistic Theory*.
- 2016 PhD reading and defense committee:  
Floor De Groot, PhD in Cognitive Psychology at VU University Amsterdam, NL.
- 2016 PhD reading and defense committee:  
Patricia Pineda, PhD in Linguistics at VU University Amsterdam, NL.
- 2016 1 MA thesis co-supervision with Prof. Alan Cienki (VU University, dep. Language and Communication).
- 2014 Advising MA student's research project @Allameh Tabataba'i University, Iran.  
Outcome: publication: Bolognesi M., Ghaffaryan S. (2015). The concept of power in Iran and U.S.A.: Metaphors and mental images from a cross-cultural perspective. *Proceedings of the 3rd int. conference Intercultural Horizons 2013*. Cambridge: Cambridge Scholars Publishing.