

# Workshop Proposal

## International Legal Linguistics Workshop (ILLWS18)

The first **International Legal Linguistics Workshop (ILLWS18)** will be organised by the Austrian Association for Legal Linguistics (AALL).

The focus of the workshop is on legal linguistics. It will primarily address, but is not limited to questions such as

- Is Legal Linguistics primarily a “legal” or a “linguistic” discipline?
- What is the interdisciplinary relationship between Applied Linguistics, Legal Studies and Legal Linguistics in Austria and on an international level?
- Which theoretical differences exist between nomemes and norms and how can theoretical linguistics account for these differences?
- How does linguistic complexity arise in Austrian legislation? Which approach should be taken in empirical research to account for this in (a) legislative drafting processes, (b) institutionalised meaning-making and (c) in ordinary language interpretation?
- How can Critical Discourse Analysis (CDA) address current participatory challenges in Austria?
- How does the cultural evolution of language influence the evolution of normative spaces such as the law?
- What is the role of the expert witness in cases involving linguistic evidence? Which professional ethics should apply to the work of forensic linguists in Austria?

### Invited speakers

To be announced

### Duration

3 days

### Range of expected contributions

20 – 30

### Organizing team

The workshop is hosted by the Austrian Association for Legal Linguistics (AALL).

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