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***I.A.D.A.***  
***Forum***

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**1999**

*Welcome to the first edition of the IADA Forum Newsletter, which from now on will be sent free to all members. Its purpose is to help members keep informed on all recent activities (reports on conferences and round tables) and on essential information regarding themes chosen for future activities and how to participate.*

*This newsletter is offered to IADA members as a small token in anticipation of the organisation's 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary. We would like to take this opportunity to thank the Faculty of Communication of the University of Lugano, Switzerland, and especially its Dean, Professor Eddo Rigotti, who has so kindly allowed us to be a part of his new journal.*

*The Editors*

## I.A.D.A.

*International Association for Dialogue Analysis  
(Bologna)*

The aims of the Association, established in July 1990 in Bologna as a result of the 3<sup>rd</sup> International Conference for Dialogue Analysis (Bologna May 1990), are to promote and undertake dialogue research, to provide a forum for debate amongst scholars by sponsoring and organising national and international conferences, workshops and round tables, and to edit publications (periodical and otherwise) on the linguistic, literary, sociological, political, psychological and psychiatric aspects of conversation. The Association aims at representing the whole range of theoretical and methodological approaches to dialogue analysis. It is thus open to the contribution of different schools and different countries. IADA members are now ca. 180.

Among the IADA activities we can mention conferences, workshops and round tables. The international conferences are held once every two years. Their proceedings are published by Niemeyer (Tübingen) in the series "Beiträge zur Dialogforschung".

Past activities include a round table on methodology of dialogue analysis (Bologna, December 1990), a conference on teaching conversation, followed by a round table on concepts of dialogue (Bologna, January 1992), the 4<sup>th</sup> international conference on dialogue analysis (Basel, March 1992), a conference on cognitive strategies and cultural differences in dialogue, followed by a round table on future perspectives of dialogue analysis (Bologna, December 1992) and the congress "Le dialogue en question /Questioning dialogue" (near Toulouse, October 1993). The 5<sup>th</sup> international conference took place in Paris (Université de la Sorbonne Nouvelle, Paris III Research Unit) in March 1994. This was followed by a round table on "Dialogue Analysis: units, relations and strategies beyond the sentence", held in Bologna (March-April 1995). The 6<sup>th</sup> international conference ("Dialogue

in the heart of Europe") was held in Prague (April 1996), whereas a round table on rhetoric and argumentation was held in Lugano (April 1997) at the Faculty of Communication Sciences of the Università della Svizzera Italiana. This was followed in April 1998 by a round table on dialogue in the media, which took place at the University of Erlangen. The 7<sup>th</sup> international congress ("Working with dialogue") was held in Birmingham in April 1999. Another IADA round table took place in Tel Aviv in June 1999, within the framework of the conference of the International Pragmatics Association.

The last general meeting held in Birmingham in April 1999 elected by secret ballot the following secretariat: Marina Bondi (*Modena*) Secretary; Malcolm Coulthard (*Birmingham*), František Daneš (*Praha*), Franz Hundsnurscher (*Münster*), Danielle Laroche-Bouvy (*Paris*), Bernd Naumann (*Erlangen*), Eddo Rigotti (*Lugano* and *Milan*), John Sinclair (*Birmingham*), Sorin Stati (*Bologna*) President, Edda Weigand (*Münster*) Vice-president.

## *Membership*

IADA membership entitles one to be informed about all the activities of the association (through the bulletin and the circulars), to participate in the conferences at a reduced fee, to be elected as a member of the secretariat, as well as to take advantage of special prices for IADA publications.

Persons wishing to be admitted to the I.A.D.A. should present an application addressed to the Secretary: Prof. Marina Bondi, Università degli Studi di Modena e Reggio Emilia, Via Berengario 51, I-41100 Modena (Italy); e-mail: mbondi@unimo.it. Please specify address, telephone, fax and e-mail.

Admission becomes effective on payment of the annual dues (60.000 Italian Lire or the equivalent in convertible currency), to be sent to Prof. Sorin Stati (Associazione internazionale per lo studio del dialogo), Via Guido Reni 1, I-40125 Bologna, giro post n. 2327 4400. We regret that cheques can only be accepted if they include an additional 20.000 lire to cover bank charges. You can also use the German account by sending 60, -- DM to Prof. Dr. Edda Weigand, Sonderkonto, Postbank Dortmund, BLZ 440 100 46, ac. n.: 32519-469.

Members who would like to receive the circulars by e-mail are kindly requested to send a message to mbondi@unimo.it.

**IADA 1999**  
*8<sup>th</sup> General Meeting of the  
International Association for Dialogue Analysis  
Minutes*

CHAIR: Edda Weigand, Vice-President of IADA

SECRETARY: Marina Bondi

MEMBERS PRESENT: 24

The Meeting was held on April 9<sup>th</sup> at 5.30pm at the Department of English (Lecture Room 1), University of Birmingham, Edgbaston, Birmingham.

AGENDA: 1. Report on Publications; 2. Future Activities; 3. Election of the Board; 4. Publication of the Proceedings of IADA 1999; 5. Membership fees; 7. Any other business.

1. The Vice-president reported on recent publications. She reported that the Proceedings of the Prague conference had appeared in 1998 in two volumes of over a thousand pages and announced that the Proceedings of the Lugano conference on *Dialogue and Argumentation* (E.Rigotti ed.) and those of Erlangen on *Dialogue Analysis and the Media* (B.Naumann ed.) are expected to be published in autumn in the Niemeyer series *Beiträge zur Dialogforschung*.
2. The Vice-President informed the Assembly that a round table will be held in Bologna in 2000, to celebrate the ten years of the Association. A circular will be sent before the summer.

The Vice-President then invited Karin Aijmer to illustrate her proposal to host the next conference in Göteborg (Sweden) in 2001. K. Aijmer presented the city and its University, highlighting the active role of Sweden in Dialogue Analysis and her own experience in organising conferences. As for the dates,

she proposed April 19<sup>th</sup> –21<sup>st</sup>. She also proposed Jens Allwood as co-organiser and announced that there would be a general theme with specific topic sessions to be announced later. She also explained how to get there, by plane and by boat (from England, Holland and Germany).

The Vice-President then briefly introduced further proposals.

Robert Maier proposed to host a round table in Utrecht in 2002 on *Dialogue Analysis in and around the classroom*.

Another proposal for a general conference to be held in 2003 was made by Anne Betten from Salzburg. The proposal will be discussed in Göteborg.

Paul Hopper finally suggested that in the future a conference could be held in North America.

3. After approving the outgoing secretariat's activity for 1997-1998, the members present proceeded to the election of the new secretariat by secret ballot. Marina Bondi, Malcolm Coulthard, František Daneš, Franz Hundsnurscher, Danielle Laroche-Bouvy, Bernd Naumann, Eddo Rigotti, John Sinclair, Sorin Stati and Edda Weigand were elected unanimously.
4. As for the publication of the Proceedings, Malcolm Coulthard offered to produce a volume of about 400 pages, containing a selection of the papers that had been presented at the conference. He said that papers could be in any of the languages normally accepted in the series, but asked all the contributors to add an abstract in English.
5. The Vice-president announced that the membership fee for 1999 is 60,000 Italian lire (60 DM, 20 pounds).

The business of the day being concluded the chair closed the meeting.

Birmingham, April 9<sup>th</sup> 1999.

Marina Bondi

## *Conference Announcements*

- **2001**

The 9<sup>th</sup> IADA conference will take place on April 18-22 2001, at the University of Göteborg, Sweden. For further information, please contact Prof. Karin Aijmer, who co-organizes the conference with Prof. Jens Allwood.

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- **2002**

A workshop on “Dialogue in and around the classroom” will be organized by Wolfgang Herrlitz and Robert Meier at the University of Utrecht, Holland. This workshop will bring together scholars discussing problems of verbal interaction between children in school and outside of it when working together, between school children and teachers, and also between the school and the community. Special attention will be given to multicultural settings, or in other words to school classes with children having various cultural backgrounds.

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