The workshop will also include a session on Cantonese Tones and Breaks Indices (Cantonese ToBI), to introduce the framework and to explore its extension from Hong Kong Cantonese to a Pan-Cantonese version.

Abstracts: Abstracts are invited for 20-minute presentations related to innovative research in any subfield of Cantonese linguistics and related disciplines. Submissions are limited to one (1) single-authored paper and one (1) joint-authored paper per person.

- Abstracts must be written in English and on a single page, including examples, key references, etc.
- Prepare two (2) copies of the abstract in PDF format, one containing the name(s) of author(s), affiliation(s), and e-mail address(es); and the other (for anonymous review) identified by title only.
- In the submission email, please provide the following information:
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 - name(s) of author(s)
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- Abstract deadline: By November 11, 2011, 11:59 PM Eastern Standard Time.
- Notification of acceptance via email: By December 12, 2011.

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Due to the high demand for Chinese language education worldwide, the world is in urgent need of more and better comprehension of Chinese cultures and Chinese professions. Currently, CSP and teaching Chinese cultures are added to the college and school curriculum, and, therefore, it is necessary now to build a platform for discussions about CSP and teaching Chinese culture.

We, therefore, invite papers investigating all aspects of CSP and teaching Chinese culture with a view to furthering our understanding of their past, current, and future developments in terms of teaching methodologies, curriculum planning, teaching strategy, and other related topics such as computer technology.

Possible topics include, but are not limited to, the following:

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