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Messages from MEDAL
Empower the next generation of linguistics

This triannual newsletter informs you about MEDAL's latest events and projects.

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MEDAL conference

The conference [Methodological Excellence in Data-Driven Approaches to Linguistics: New challenges, novel approaches](#) will take place on **9-10 October 2025 at the University of Tartu, Estonia.**

The deadline to register for the conference is 8 September 2025. If you require a visa, we strongly recommend registering as early as possible. Invitation letters are available upon request. We look forward to welcoming you to Tartu for an inspiring event!



MEDAL conference: extended deadline for PhD poster presentations!

We warmly invite **PhD students** at [MEDAL-affiliated institutions](#) to submit posters on topics related to methodological approaches, including corpus linguistics, experimental methods, computational modelling, or multi-method research in linguistics. Please also note that you can apply for [mobility funding](#) to cover your travel expenses to participate in the conference.



If you are interested, please **submit a 1-page abstract** (PDF format) about your poster by using [EasyChair](#) by **15 June 2025!**

Summer School on Computational Modelling

As most of you know, the time is coming close for the last MEDAL summer school, which will take place from **23 to 27 June!** We have prepared a programme for you with no less than 10 different keynote speakers, including **Melanie Bell, Jack Grieve,** and **Simon Kirby!** We are updating the workshop descriptions as we go, so check our [website](#) for more information about the speakers and the schedule. We look forward to welcoming you in **Birmingham** this summer at our last MEDAL summer school!



Social events at the summer school

Speaking of the summer school program, we won't just have excellent plenaries and teachers, but we are also working on a full social program, that will include a visit to an old research library, some walks by the canal, and we might just follow the footsteps of one of the most famous philologist, Tolkien, and see where he got his inspiration from...



Mobility & Mentoring

You can still apply for mobility funding for the final conference, but don't forget: MEDAL offers **three types** of mentoring arrangements for early-career researchers:

1. Short-Term Research Mentorship Visits (2-4 Weeks)
2. Consultation sessions at events (such as summer schools)

3. Mentor-mentee partnerships

There will be a chance to have **consultation sessions** with the instructors at the **Birmingham summer school**. See if you are eligible for any one of the other mentorship visits at the [Mobility page](#) on our website.



GoLD MEDAL updates

The research collaborations of the MEDAL consortium partners are collectively referred to as **GoLD MEDAL**. We are happy to announce that these research projects have produced two manuscripts that are ready for submission. We will give the results of all the projects during the **final conference in Tartu**. If you can't wait until then, visit [our website](#) for more information about the research projects.

The final survey

Sadly, three years of MEDAL are almost over... Did you enjoy being part of the MEDAL consortium? Do you have anything else you would like to let us know before the project ends? Keep an eye on your inbox, because one final survey, in which you can tell us everything you wanted about the whole three years of MEDAL, will be coming your way in September!

Upcoming Events in 2025

June 23-27 (in-person UK)

[MEDAL Summer School in Computational Modelling](#)

October 9-10 (in-person EE)

[MEDAL Conference: New challenges, novel approaches](#)

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