Identifying (In)definites

March 29
Dow Hall 100
Yale University

12.45 pm – 1.00 pm  Welcome

1.00 pm – 2.15 pm  SESSION 1: The Noun Phrase: Morpho-syntax & Semantics
Chair: Jose Camacho (Rutgers University)
1.00 pm – 1.35 pm  Notes on having (in)definiteness without quantifiers
Gennaro Chierchia (Harvard University)
1.40 pm – 2.15 pm  Bare nouns in two Bantu languages and the DP/NP hypothesis
Vicki Carstens (Southern Illinois University, Carbondale) and Loyiso Mletshe (University of the Western Cape, South Africa)

2.15 pm – 2.30 pm  Coffee Break

2.30 pm – 3.45 pm  SESSION 2: The Noun Phrase: Morpho-syntax & Semantics
Chair: Gita Martohardjono (CUNY Graduate Center)
2.30 pm – 3.05 pm  Bare Nouns, Definites and Demonstratives in Cape Verdean Creole
Marlyse Baptista (University of Michigan)
3.10 pm – 3.45 pm  Lexical Nominalizations in Korean
James Yoon (University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign)

3.45 pm – 4.00 pm  Coffee Break

4.00 pm – 5.30 pm  Panel Discussion: Working on Less Familiar Languages:
Challenges and Rewards
Moderator: Claire Bowern (Yale University)
Speakers:  Enoch Aboh (University of Amsterdam & Yale University)
Heidi Harley (University of Arizona)
Maria Polinsky (University of Maryland)
Liliana Sanchez (Rutgers University)

6.00 pm – 7.00 pm  Poster Session: The Noun Phrase: Morpho-syntax & Semantics
The evolutionary syntax of Universal 20
Samuel Andersson (Yale University)
Alienation in Tlingit Possession
James Crippen (University of British Columbia & Yale University)
Experimental evidence for the reduced discourse potential of bare noun phrases in Mandarin
Jess H.-K. Law and Kristen Syrett (Rutgers University)
Determiners in Akan modified noun phrases: Clausal or nominal?
Augustina Owusu (Rutgers University)
How Brazilians determine their possessions
Emanuel Quadros (Yale University)
On the (non)-optionality of the Turkish classifier
Yagmur Sag (Rutgers University)
Towards an indefinite article: On the uses of einn in Modern Icelandic
Sigridur S. Sigurdardottir (Yale University)
The acquisition of (in)definiteness: From L1 Mandarin to L2 English
Mike Stern, Gita Martohardjono (CUNY Graduate Center) and Veneeta Dayal (Yale University)

7.30 pm  Dinner (Lobby, DOW)