

Academy of Aphasia 64th Annual Meeting
Liège, Belgium and Virtual (Hybrid)
Sunday, October 4th - Tuesday, October 6th, 2026

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION DEADLINE: **May 25th, 2026**

The 64th Annual Meeting of the Academy of Aphasia will be hosted at the [University of Liège](#), a beautiful public research university of the French Community of Belgium based in Liège, Belgium. The Academy welcomes submissions of experimental, clinical, theoretical, and historical research from any field that contributes to the study of aphasia, including Speech-Language Pathology, Psychology, Neurology, Neuroscience, Linguistics, and Computational Modeling. We encourage onsite attendance – **required for platform presenters** – although we also offer the option to participate online via an interactive hybrid platform. The conference reception and welcome party will be held Sunday, October 4th at the Foyer Eugène Isaÿe, located in the prestigious and historic home of the [Royal Philharmonic Orchestra of Liège](#).

This year's keynote speaker will be Dr. [Michel Thiebaut de Schotten](#), research director at the CNRS (French National Centre for Scientific Research), and head of the Brain Connectivity and Behaviour group, University of Bordeaux, France. Dr. Thiebaut de Schotten is an internationally recognized expert in neuropsychology and neuroimaging for pioneering research on white matter anatomy, brain connectivity, and disconnection syndromes in both healthy individuals and stroke populations.

Now in its ninth year, the NIDCD-funded Academy of Aphasia conference grant (R13 DC017375) will sponsor student and junior research fellows to attend and present their work. Selected fellows will also receive focused mentoring and training from expert faculty at the meeting. Both U.S. and international students submitting a first-author abstract are eligible to apply (check the [website](#) for details). The grant also sponsors a state-of-the-art *New Frontiers in Aphasia Research* seminar. This year's seminar will feature Dr. [Marc Brysbaert](#), Professor of Cognitive Psychology at Ghent University, whose influential research on visual word recognition, bilingualism, and large-scale lexical databases has significantly advanced our understanding of language processing.

Abstract guidelines

Submission procedures. Abstracts (max. 500 words) must be submitted through the [vFairs platform](#). Account creation is required to register and submit. An individual can submit and participate in more than one abstract but can be listed as first author on only one submission. Please note that if you are submitting an abstract for a symposium, **you need to submit individual abstracts for each of the talks that are part of the symposium.** If the submitter serves as a symposium organizer without presenting one of the symposium's individual talks, they may still submit a separate platform or poster abstract as first author.

Presentation types. This includes *papers* (i.e., platform and poster sessions) consisting of original research that has not yet been published and *symposia* (i.e., 3-4 platform sessions focusing on a common theme) consisting of original or previously published research. Platform session presenters will be required to attend and present onsite (in Liège). *Poster session* presenters have the option to present onsite (in Liège) or present in the online poster hall.

Templates. All abstracts should conform to a specified template format (click link to download template for either [platform/poster](#) presentations or [symposia](#)). Please use the correct template to be considered for acceptance to the conference program.

Notification of acceptance. The Program Committee will e-mail a decision **by July 31, 2026.**

Visa information is available [online](#).

Childcare support may be available on a limited basis, subject to funding availability.

Program Committee: Silvia Martínez-Ferreiro & Rajani Sebastian (Co-Chairs), Arpita Bose & Effy Ntemou (Co-Vice-Chairs), Dan Roberts, Ran Li, Jee Eun Sung, and Nichol Castro.

Local Arrangements Committee: Steve Majerus (Local Chair), Martine Poncelet, Solène Hameau, Marie-Pierre de Partz, and Sophie Gillet.