



Vortrag im Rahmen des Linguistischen Kolloquiums

13. April 2010

Kirill Prokhorov

(Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin)

"Pronominal subject marking on verb in Mombo (Dogon)"

Summary: Mombo is one of somewhat 20 Dogon languages spoken in Eastern Mali. One of the most salient morphological features of Mombo verb, in which it differs from the other Dogon languages studied, is a complicated system of pronominal subject marking. Mombo uses pronominal prefixes or suffixes depending from aspectual category. Morphologically, pronominal affixes are interesting in the way they interact with a given verb stem.

Adding a pronominal affix is accompanied by a stem-wide tonal changes, crucial for distinguishing one form of a paradigm from another. At the same time verbal forms used in the subject focus construction lack pronominal markers at all.

This paper concerns the description of different pronominal paradigms in their interaction with the verbal categories, such as aspect and modality, and the information structure. Also I would like to outline a possible way in which such a system could develop historically.

**Ort: Institut für Asien- und Afrikawissenschaften,
Invalidenstr. 118, Raum 117**

Zeit: 16:15 Uhr

Alle Interessierten sind herzlich eingeladen!