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Conferencia invitada (O105)

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22.03.2022 «Piedmontese as a Heritage Language in Argentina: structural and sociolinguistic issues»

17:15 - 18:45

Referente: Eugenio, Goria (Università degli studi di Torino, Italia)

In this talk will present the results that have emerged from a fieldwork enquiry that I conducted in the Piedmontese communities of Argentina in 2019. In the first part, I will analyse the linguistic practices of the community, that still involve Piedmontese, showing how language shift has been counterbalanced over the last decades by a process of cultural revival, whose main actors are both Argentinian and Italian institutions. In the second part, I will address the structural features of heritage Piedmontese. Contact with Spanish is obviously the main source of structural changes in Piedmontese: along with morphological interference (e.g. in the sysyem of auxiliaries), frequent code-mixing of the insertional type has changed heritage Piedmontese into a code-mixing style, or fused lect in terms of Auer (1999, 2014), with systematic use of Spanish vocabulary. However, there are other innovations for which other explanations beyond contact-induced change are needed: I will propose to analyse them in terms of contact between different sub-regional varieties of Piedmontese, and hence possibly koineisation.

¡Todas las personas interesadas están cordialmente invitadas a asistir!

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