Sociophonetics, at the crossroads of speech variation, processing and communication

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On December 14th-15th, 2010, the international workshop "Sociophonetics, at the crossroads of speech variation, processing and communication" was held in Pisa, Scuola Normale Superiore, with the participation of eleven invited speakers and over sixty scholars coming from Europe, USA, Asia and Africa (http://linguistica.unipi.it/sociophonetics/home.html). The local organizing committee, headed by Pier Marco Bettinello and Chiara Celata from Scuola Normale Superiore and Silvia Calamai from University of Pisa, received forty submissions for poster presentation. The evaluation was carried out by a small but generous scientific committee, composed by (in alphabetical order) Hans Barbalet, Gertjan Berends, Wolfgang U. Dressler, Olle Engstrand, Alberto M. Moreo, Bruno Moravski and Daniela Recasens. The twenty papers collected in this volume are a selection of the works that were presented as posters at the conference. By covering a broad range of topics and introducing different theoretical and experimental paradigms in sociophonetic research, they fully demonstrate the diversity of the conference, and the widespread need for the sharing of ideas within a truly international community.

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