Title: "Rethinking Reflexivity and Related Relations"

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In this talk, we focus on the morphosyntactic and semantic properties of a range of constructions involving reflexive elements across a range of Indo-European languages. We show that if we treat reflexives as involving Voice, they fit into a consistent, independently attested pattern of cross-linguistic variation in properties of functional heads, allowing us to derive these syntactically different constructions (reflexive, anticausative, middle, passive) in a unified manner. Specifically, we will argue for the general cross-linguistic schema in (1), whereby (i) Voice licenses the Internal Argument pronoun in all cases but in differing ways; (ii) in the case of reflexives there is a Voice-feature (REFL) which marks the predicate as reflexive (along the general lines of Reinhart & Reuland 1993), with the dimensions of variation involving (i) the exponence of Voice (clitic, affix, auxiliary, zero ...); and (ii) the nature of the IA (pro, weak pronoun e.g. sich, special/body-part pronoun e.g. X-self), which in turn are part of a more general pattern of variation.

We will conclude with some general reflections on the nature of the external argument of passives.