

## *Workshop on Modification*

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Modification is one of the fundamental semantic and syntactic manners of composition. While predication predicates a property or event of a certain argumental entity, modification further specifies a certain entity/event in various respects (Chomsky 1981, Ramchand 2007, McNally 2016, a.o.). Modification applies to a variety of domains (the nominal domain, the verbal domain, the adjectival domain, a.o.), and it can be expressed through a variety of categories (adjective phrases, prepositional phrases, possessive phrases, relative clauses, adverbial phrases a.o.), being tightly linked to the notion of recursion (Snyder & Roeper 2004).

We invite contributions which address the topic of modification from different perspectives (syntax, semantics, psycholinguistics, language acquisition, a.o.).

The workshop will take place online via zoom.

Authors are invited to submit a one-page abstract (Times New Roman 12, single spaced) and an additional page with graphs, figures and references to [adina.bleotu@lls.unibuc.ro](mailto:adina.bleotu@lls.unibuc.ro). A selection of the papers will be published in a special volume on *Modification of Bucharest Working Papers in Linguistics*.

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