Preface

The Third Central European Conference in Linguistics for Postgraduate Students (CECIL'S 3) was the third installment of the CECIL'S conference series, initiated by the Faculty of Humanities of Pázmány Péter Catholic University, Piliscsaba, Hungary. The conference, held on 22–23 August 2013, encompassed the core fields of modern linguistics and sociolinguistics, with special focus on languages spoken in Central European countries, and their comparison with other languages. Conference participants presented a total of 38 papers (16 talks and 22 posters) over the course of the two beautifully sunny days, with keynote presentations by Hubert Haider (University of Salzburg) and Marcel den Dikken (City University of New York). The current volume contains 7 selected papers of those delivered at the conference.

Our special thanks go to the postgraduate students of the Faculty of Humanities of PPCU who gave their hands both before and after, and particularly during, the days of the conference. Anikó Grósz, Júlia Keresztes, Ágnes Kohlmann, Réka Köcsky, Lilla Pintér, Orsolya Tánczos and Diána Varga deserve special mention for making arrangements on site at our Piliscsaba campus, and managing our catering. Without their persistence and dedication the event could not possibly have become the success that it turned out to be. We are especially grateful to Lilla for taking such efficient care of accommodation and other practical matters both at the dormitory and at the conference venue.

We are also indebted to all of the anonymous reviewers who sorted through the abstracts we had received, narrowing the program down to the papers that were invited for presentation. We cannot adequately express our appreciation to the anonymous reviewers of the submitted manuscripts, who generously provided their constructive criticism and expert advice. A number of the papers in the volume owe a great deal to their helpful comments.

We would like to give special acknowledgment to our sponsor, TÁMOP project 4.2.2. BTK-NYDI-II.5.1. We are also grateful to Profilantrop Egyesület for their administrative support.

Balázs Surányi Gergő Turi (editors)