

## **Seminar IRH-ICUB**

### **Consciousness and Cognition: An Interdisciplinary Approach**

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**Alina Tigau** is an associate professor at the English Department of the Faculty of Foreign Languages, University of Bucharest, working on the syntax and semantics of the Romanian verb phrase from a comparative perspective with Romance and Germanic languages. Dr. Tigau earned her PhD in 2010 from the University of Bucharest, with a thesis on the syntax and semantics of the direct object in Romance and Germanic languages. Her subsequent research focused mainly on Differential Object Marking and Clitic Doubling during a post-doctoral fellowship at the University of Geneva. Since 2016, Dr. Tigau has been a Humboldt Fellow at the University of Cologne, working on ditransitive constructions in Romance languages.

### ***A DRT Analysis of Epistemic Specificity: The Case of Romanian Clitic Doubling***

The research presented here contributes to a better understanding of the topic of *specificity* and argues that the various specificity types proposed in the literature have a common denominator best captured within the Discourse Representation Theory by means of an anchoring function restricting the values the verifying embeddings may assign to the discourse referent of a specific DP. In particular, the connection between scope and specificity is discussed, establishing that the two are not necessarily related. Traditionally, specificity has been perceived as a case of ‘extreme’ wide scope, i.e. *widest scope* in that the interpretation of a specific indefinite seems to impose an additional restriction of *uniqueness* on its wide scope counterpart. Yet, Romanian data concerning clitic doubled and differentially marked indefinites strongly support the view that specificity should be divorced from scope in view of the fact that these specific indefinites are not necessarily wide scope.