

Foreword

SALT 16 was held at the University of Tokyo from March 22nd through March 24th, 2006. This was the first time that the conference was ever held outside of the United States, adding a new international dimension to a conference that in all other respects has been international since its inception. As part of the agreement to hold the conference abroad it was decided that the costs to presenters should be kept at the level they would be if the conference were held in the states. Achieving this goal was only possible with generous support from many sources, so we would like to take this opportunity to express our sincere gratitude to them. The primary funding for the conference came from the Center for Evolutionary Cognitive Sciences at the University of Tokyo. Funding for coffee breaks was provided by the Ichiko Memorial Fund "Support for Academic Conferences". Finally, generous support for entertaining the speakers was received from the office of the Dean of the Faculty of Arts and Sciences.

As with any conference of this magnitude, we relied on help from a wide range of people, all of whom deserve thanks as well. First and foremost was support in the form of 156 abstracts submitted to the conference. Very many of these abstracts were of high quality, making the choice among them difficult but also ensuring the continued high quality of the conference. Of nearly equal importance was the support of the 114 reviewers from around the world who agreed to review abstracts for us within a short 5 week span of time:

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