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#### PREFACE

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Last year, in 2016, we held a workshop and a pre-workshop on the three-tier model of language use, proposed by Professor Yukio Hirose in commemoration of his 60th birthday; both meetings were full of thought-provoking and congenial discussions. In reflection of this, the present volume contains two papers relating to pre-workshop. The volume also contains papers on a variety of subjects in morphology, syntax, semantics, and pragmatics, showing the catholicity of our intellectual interests in linguistics. It also includes the summaries of papers presented at the 34th annual meeting of the TELS held at the University of Tsukuba in the autumn of 2016. We hope that the papers in this volume will prompt and stimulate fruitful discussion in the field of linguistics.

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