The Department of Spanish and Portuguese is pleased to announce the following talk in Hispanic **PRAGMATICS**

“**Address and Reference Terms and Discrimination in Interethnic Interaction in Quito**”

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Birkbeck, *University of London*

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