

# Preface

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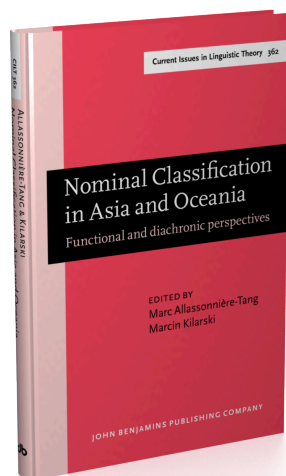
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The origin of this book goes back to the Session on Nominal Classification in South-East Asia, which was held on 16 September 2016 during the 46th Poznań Linguistic Meeting in Poznań, Poland. Four of the papers included in this volume – those by Gunter Senft, Pori Saikia and Marc Allasonnière-Tang, Christian Huber and Hiram Ring – were presented at that conference. To provide a wider perspective, we invited three additional papers, written by One-Soon Her and Bing-Tsiong Li, Erika Sandman and Francesca Di Garbo, and Ellen Contini-Morava. We would like to thank the colleagues who participated in the session but were unable to contribute to the volume, i.e., Timothy Feist and Ruth Singer.

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