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**Titel: "Language contact between Arabic and European languages in the Mediterranean"**

Did you know that the official language on Malta is Maltese, an Arabic dialect that has evolved in contact with Italian and English for centuries? A comparable situation is true for Sanna, an Arabic dialect spoken by part of the Christian Maronite community on Cyprus. Would you like to learn more about Arabic dialect diversity spoken in Europe? Then this is the talk for you! I will outline shared traits that Maltese and Sanna varieties have in common on a phonological, lexical, and socio-historical level. In addition, I will discuss features that are unique to Sanna, such as the suppletion of numerals and adjectives, and the use of specific Greek discourse markers in non-interactional contexts.