

12.00-12.30pm: *Stephanie Rierson (Oxford): Dating a Greek grammatical text: the interdependency of change and variation*

12.30pm-1.00pm: *Sander Van Der Schuer (Leicester): Spelling out breaking: the digraph controversy reconsidered*

1.00pm-3.00pm: *Free time*

3.00pm-3.45pm: *Rankin Lane Room: Poster session*

All posters will be on display throughout the symposium. The following poster presenters will be available to answer questions during this poster session:

Júlia Bónkai-Atkari (Hungarian Academy of Sciences): On the Diachronic Development of a Hungarian Declarative Complementizer

Amg Coker (Liverpool): Ancient Greek nouns with variable grammatical gender: synchronic variation or diachronic change?

Karin Körja (Berkeley): 'Twins Beleg': An Inquiry into Contact Historiography

Trifana Kradopazova (Osaka): Abbreviations in Japanese newspapers: a diachronic study of usage in relation to polysyllabification

Valentina Lysina (Russian Academy of Sciences): Null's addition as a way to reinforce iterativity

Linda Chirelle Nkomo (Nnamdi Azikiwe University, Awka, Anambra State, Nigeria): Lexicostatigraphy: Tracing geographical location and linguistic change in Karing

Laura Tronzi (Università per Stranieri di Siena): The expression of the future in Ancient Greek: synchronic relationships and diachronic phenomena

3.45pm-4.15pm: *Tea for Symposium participants, members of the Philological Society and members' guests*

4.15pm: *Rankin Lane Room: Philological Society paper*
Dr David Willis (University of Cambridge): Reanalysis and language contact in the Syncretic Atlas of Welsh Dialects

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Synchrony and Diachrony: Variation and Change in Language History

A Symposium sponsored by the Philological Society, to be held on Friday 16th-Saturday 17th March, 2012, at Worcester College, University of Oxford

Programme

Friday 16 March

11.30am-1.00pm: *Registration*

1.00pm-2.00pm: *Sandwich lunch*

1.45-2.00pm: *Lunchtime poster session*

All posters will be on display throughout the symposium. The following poster presenters will be available to answer questions during this poster session:

Kate McLachlan (Oxford): Word order in Latin periphrastic phrases: language change or not?

Ilona Rauhala (Helsinki): Loanwords and productivity: the Finnish-Fermanic **-je*/JA

2.00pm-3.30pm: *Workshop led by Prof. Hiroko Kitahara (National Museum of Ethnology, Osaka, and The Graduate University for Advanced Studies, Kanagawa): Typological Generalization and Historical Reconstruction: Actor Systems in Austronesian Languages*

3.30pm-4.00pm: *Tea break*

SESSION A: Ruskin Lane Room, Chair: Dr Paul Russell (Cambridge)

- 4.00pm-4.30pm: Alex Scott (Nottingham): Competition in possession marking in early modern Dutch
- 4.30pm-5.00pm: Chitra Sengulal (Punjab): Synchroic Variation and Grammatical change: The case of Dutch Double Gender Nouns
- 5.00pm-5.30pm: Anders Riisgaard Jørgensen (Copenhagen): Plural suppletion in adjectives – the case of the plural of *Bretten* and *Gerriths Jellur* 'tide'
- 5.30pm-6.00pm: Ranjan Sen (Sheffield): Strata Synchroic Structure and Diachronical Diachronic Development: Pre-Clinical Prevarication in Latin Port
- 6.00pm-6.30pm: Dariale Taitou (Manchester): The morphosyntactic conditioning of /V/ in English: Synchroic reflections of the life cycle of phonological processes

SESSION B: Memorial Room, Chair: Dr Lawrence Reid (Hawth)

- 4.00pm-4.30pm: John Lowe (Oxford): The synchroic (ir)regularity of diachronic reconstructions: participles in the Rgveda
- 4.30pm-5.00pm: Barbara Tigrak (Hungarian Academy of Sciences): Variations and change in the left periphery of the Hungarian noun phrase
- 5.00pm-5.30pm: George Walkden (Manchester): The syntax of *partial null* argument languages: a diachronic perspective
- 5.30pm-6.00pm: Veronika Hagošová (Hungarian Academy of Sciences): Reflexive processes in Hungarian PP's: synchroic variation and diachronic change
- 6.00pm-6.30pm: Laurie Dekkers (Exeter): Syntactic changes in vernacular Parisian French
- 6.30pm-7.30pm: Wine reception

Saturday 17 March

SESSION A: Ruskin Lane Room, Chair: Dr Ricardo Benavides-Otero (Manchester)

- 9.00am-9.30am: David Lorenz (Freiburg): Transcription and the Status of Contractions: Is *gonna* any different from *going off*? Is *gonna* a word? Or not yet?

- 9.30am-10.00am: Seth Mehl (University College, London): From *making/break* to *making decisions*: Historical change and contemporary variation in the semantics of *make*
- 10.00am-10.30am: Helen Plado (Tartu): Estonian conditional clauses in the grammaticalization chain
- 10.30am-11.00am: Dominka Uhlířková (Comenius University, Bratislava): On Some Semantic Features of Mimetic Words in English and Slovak: A Comparative Study

SESSION B: Memorial Room, Chair: Dr John Penney (Oxford)

- 9.00am-9.30am: Petros Karantassou (Cambridge): On the historical value of synchronic dialectal variation: lessons from the development of null definite articles in Cappadocian Greek
- 9.30am-10.00am: Judith Heber (Katholische Universität Eichstätt-Ingolstadt): On the integration of typological *split* loanverbs in English
- 10.00am-10.30am: Nicholas Zair (Cambridge): Finding dialect variation in Quran
- 10.30am-11.00am: Milica Nevsková (Comenius University, Bratislava): What is basic vocabulary? The importance of both synchronic and diachronic approaches
- 11.00am-11.30am: Coffee break

SESSION A: Ruskin Lane Room, Chair: Prof Andrew Wiles (Oxford)

- 11.30am-12.00: Melanie Evans (Birmingham): The Historical Ideology: exploring the analytic potential of the individual
- 12.00-12.30pm: Katherine McDonald (Cambridge): The Language of Law in Pre-Sixteenth India and Oman
- 12.30pm-1.00pm: Rosanne Bot (Sheffield): Semantic variation and change in the cart lexicon of the late modern period: A corpus-based approach

SESSION B: Memorial Room, Chair: Dr Peter Barber (Oxford)

- 11.30am-12.00: Christina Walkin (Sheffield): Manuscripts and Methodology: Time and Space in the Old English Bede