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WORKSHOP

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Written language contact vs direct language contact as a source for grammatical change

The purpose of this workshop, organised within the project *Contrasting contexts of language contact in synchrony and diachrony*, is to compare written language contact (or literacy contact, i.e., contact via translations, especially related to ancient languages) to direct language contact, focusing on grammatical change. While direct language contact has been considered an important source for language change (including grammatical change), written language contact, via translations, has not been generally taken into consideration in previous research in historical linguistics (for various different reasons).

The following issues should be considered when submitting an abstract:

- the grammatical structures which can be influenced by written language contact
- grammatical changes in successive translations of the same text
- similar grammatical effects of direct contact and written contact, etc.

Presentation proposals may refer to any (ancient) language in contact with another language or other languages.

Venue: Institutul de Lingvistică al Academiei Române „Iorgu Iordan – Alexandru Rosetti”, București (Bucharest, 13 Calea 13 Septembrie)

Invited Speaker: **Nikolaos Lavidas**, *National and Kapodistrian University of Athens*

Prospective participants should send the participation form no later than **September 8 2023**, at **adina.dragomirescu@unibuc.ro**. All submissions are to be reviewed by the members of the scientific committee, who will decide on their inclusion in the final programme of our conference.

Deadline for acceptance of participation: **September 15, 2023**.

The duration of a presentation: 20 minutes (+ 10 minutes for discussion).

No conference fees.

Language: English.