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PROGETTO DI RICERCA DI RILEVANTE INTERESSE NAZIONALE 2022

"LINKED WORDNETS FOR ANCIENT INDO-EUROPEAN LANGUAGES"

[THINKING – INDO-EUROPEAN]

Meaning and Form in Historical Linguistics
and Comparative Reconstruction

Workshop

May 19-21, 2026

Aula G.016 Sala Maria Immacolata

Largo A. Gemelli, 1 - Milano

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May 19 – Day 1

13:45-14:00

Opening Remarks

14:00-15:00

Keynote Lecture 1:

Silvia LURAGHI (University of Pavia)

Interactive second arguments in Ancient Greek:

Evidence for constructional merger

15:00-15:15

Break

15:15-16:45

Session 1

15:15-15:45

Francesco MAMBRINI (Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore)

and Silvia ZAMPETTA (University of Pavia)

Definite Article Omission in Classical Greek Coordination

15:45-16:15

Stefan HÖFLER (University of Vienna)

When Adjectives Name Kinds: Classificatory ADJECTIVE + NOUN

Expressions in Indo-European

16:15-16:45

Eystein DAHL (Uniwersytet im. Adama Mickiewicza w Poznaniu)

Subjecthood and subject properties in Indo-European

16:45-17:15

Break

17:15-18:45

Session 2

17:15-17:45

Claire LE FEUVRE (Sorbonne Université, Paris)

**tero-* derivatives from nouns in Indo-European languages:

semantics and reconstruction

17:45-18:15

Chiara ZANCHI (Università di Pavia)

Together, after, differently: the meanings and productivity of

Greek *meta-* in the diachrony of Greek

18:15-18:45

Thiago MENDES VENTUROT (University of Würzburg)

Prefixed *verba dicendi* as resultatives in Greek and Latin

May 20 – Day 2

9:30-11:00

Session 3

9:30-10:00

Riccardo GINEVRA (Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore)

Distance Makes the Heart Grow Fonder: On the Etymology

of Ancient Greek *ἐραμαι* 'desire, love' and Latin *dēsiderō* 'miss, desire'

10:00-10:30

Andrew MERRITT (Georgetown University)

A Cognitive Semantic Perspective on the Etymology and

Poetics of *κάλλος* and *ῥή-*

10:30-11:00

Mattia PETROGALLI (Università degli Studi di Bergamo)

Conceptualizing Sterility and Sexual Insensitivity within

Sensory-Impairment Domains in Greek and Roman Texts

11:00-11:30

Break

11:30-13:00

Session 4

11:30-12:00

Annamaria BARTOLOTTA (Università di Palermo)

The Indo-European root **h₁es-* 'to be' from a typological perspective

12:00-12:30

Matteo TARSI (Università di Pavia)

PIE **sent-*

12:30-13:00 Lucien VAN BEEK (Leiden University)
Conceptual metaphors and the etymology of Vedic *ṛtá-*

13:00-14:30 **Lunch**

14:30-15:30 **Keynote Lecture 2:**
José L. GARCÍA RAMÓN (Köln / AIBL, Paris)
Form and Meaning(s) in Indo-European Reconstruction:
semantic paths, metaphors, phraseology

15:30-16:00 **Break**

16:00-17:30 **Session 5**

16:00-16:30 Giorgio CARBONI (Università per Stranieri di Siena)
The etymology of Ἐρινύς in light of Indo-European phraseology
16:30-17:00 Paola DARDANO (Università per Stranieri di Siena)
Spells and Speech Acts in Pre-Classical Anatolia: Verbs of Saying in Hittite
Magical Texts
17:00-17:30 Erica FRATELLINI (Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore)
The Hesiodic compound ἀλεξιάρη

20:00 **Conference Dinner**

May 21 – Day 3

9:30-10:30 **Session 6**

9:30-10:00 Birgit Anette OLSEN (University of Copenhagen)
Thinking “giving”, “taking”, and the exchange of wealth in Indo-European
10:00-10:30 Giorgio SCALVINI (Università per Stranieri di Siena & Sorbonne
Université)
The Lands of Well-Fed Horses: Some Reflections on Gk. ἵππόβοτος

10:30-11:00 **Break**

11:00-12:30 **Session 7**

11:00-11:30 Irene DE FELICE (Università del Piemonte Orientale) and Roberta
LEOTTA (Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore)
Thinking the mind: metaphors, collocations, and pragmatic functions
of Latin *mens*
11:30-12:00 Eleonora LITTA and Riccardo GINEVRA (Università Cattolica del
Sacro Cuore)
Cerebrate, Cogitate, Think: Mapping the Semantic Neighbourhood
of ‘Reasoning’ in the Latin WordNet
12:00-12:30 Laura MASSETTI (University of Naples “L’Orientale”)
Athena Mentor: Thinking about the Finale of the *Odyssey*
12:30-12:45 **Closing Remarks**

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