

Historical Code-switching: The Next Step

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The study of historical code-switching has now come of age, with numerous articles published on various language combinations. It is generally accepted that code-switching occurred in the past, and this assertion no longer needs to be proven or defended. It's time to take the next step.

To this end, we organize a two-day symposium on 11-13 June 2014 at the University of Tampere.

We invite papers on code-switching from any historical period and mixing any combination of languages, European or otherwise. In particular, we welcome papers that:

- Approach corpora in new ways, for example, by means of tagging switchpoints, or including far greater amounts of data than before, or text-types not hitherto studied, such as those traditionally not considered worthy of study as too short, ephemeral, or informal;
- Analyse the visual presentation of code-switching on the page/membrane/folio;
- Focus on language overlap, for example, words or morphemes which cannot be satisfactorily assigned to solely one of the languages in the mix;
- Analyse diachronic changes, either code-switching patterns over periods of time longer than three generations, or linguistic developments in one of the participating languages being replicated or reflected in the other(s).

We invite submission of abstracts for papers on any topic relevant to the conference themes.

Abstracts of max. 300 words including references should be sent to the conference secretary (anna.petajaniemi [at] uta.fi) by 31 December 2013.

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