International Conference on Language Change and Language Contact in Iberoand Gallo-Romance (CICLIG)

Dates: 23rd of May – 24th May 2024

Place: Faculty of Philology and Communication, University of Barcelona

The International Conference on Language Change and Language Contact in Ibero- and Gallo-Romance aims to be an encounter space between specialists in diachronic linguistics of Romance languages. Specifically, we want to discuss linguistic change activated by language contact or phenomena in which language or dialect contact have played a relevant role throughout history (Rodríguez Molina 2010; Fernández-Ordóñez 2011; Romero Cambrón 2014; Bouzouita 2016; Del Barrio de la Rosa 2016; Garachana 2016, 2018; Moral del Hoyo 2016; Enrique-Arias 2018; Sentió & Bouzouita 2022; Pineda 2023).

The linguistic phenomena under study will be historical morphosyntax, including semantic and pragmatic aspects, and discursive traditions (Kabatek 2005, Winter-Froemel & Octavio de Toledo 2023, Cornillie et al. 2023), as well as those phenomena that have not received attention, but are central aspects of grammar and represent *marginalia*, in the sense of Digemanse (2017).

In relation to linguistic change, the contributions of grammaticalization theories (Hopper & Traugott 1993; Traugott & Dasher 2002; Lehmann 2020) and the novelties of the Diachronic Construction Grammar (Traugott & Trousdale 2013; Hilpert 2014; Barðdal et al. 2015; Hilpert et al. 2021) will be the main theoretical framework, although other theoretical approaches will also be welcome, such as the Complexity theory (Massip-Bonet, Bel-Enguix & Bastardas 2019), among others. In any case, we want to focus on linguistic data to encourage dialogue between specialists, regardless of the theoretical approach.

The topics proposed for this congress are very broad, but we suggest the following:

- Language contact and dialect variation in the diachronic morphosyntax of Ibero- and Gallo-Romance languages
- Phenomena that have received little attention in the specialized literature, but that are relevant and that represent marginalia
- Linguistic change and grammaticalization
- Linguistic change, semantics and pragmatics
- Grammaticalization and linguistic contact
- Grammaticalization, lexicalization and idiomaticity
- Grammaticalization and Cognitive Construction Grammar
- Discursive traditions and language (and dialect) contact
- From Latin to Romance varieties
- Time, aspect, modality and evidentiality
- Information structure and linguistic change

- Quantitative methods, linguistic change, and language contact
- Methodological problems in the study of diachrony
- Corpus linguistics in diachrony
- Computational linguistics and linguistic change
- From diachrony to current dialect variation
- Development and constitution of standard languages
- Ibero- and Gallo-Romance languages in contact with other languages.

Submission instructions

Presentation or poster proposals must be submitted by means of an abstract of 3000 characters with spaces maximum (bibliography not included). From 3 to 5 keywords must be included. The abstracts and keywords can be written in any of the conference languages, namely Catalan, Spanish, or English. Abstracts must be submitted in two versions, one of which must have been anonymized.

Submission deadline: 12th of February 2024

Notification of proposal acceptance: 11th of March 2024

Submission available at:

https://easyabs.linguistlist.org/login/?next=/submit/CICLIG

Registration fee

General participation: 60 €

Students: 40 €

Students and participants without presentation: 20 €

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