

Foreword

The Mediterranean Morphology Meetings (MMM) are organized by Prof. Geert Booij (Leiden), Prof. Angela Ralli (Patras), and Prof. Sergio Scalise (Bologna). For each meeting they cooperate with a local organizer.

The aim of MMM is to bring together linguists who work on morphology in an informal setting, which guarantees maximal interaction between researchers, and gives young linguists the chance to present their work at a conference of moderate size, where fruitful contacts with senior linguists can be established.

The first six meetings, in 1997 (Mytilene, Greece), 1999 (Lija, Malta), 2001 (Barcelona), 2003 (Catania, Sicily), 2005 (Fréjus, France), 2007 (Ithaca, Greece) have proven the success of this formula. The attendance was high, many abstracts were submitted, and a number of leading morphologists were invited.

Each MMM has two sessions, one with a specific topic, and another with no topic. The specific topic of the Ithaca meeting was 'Morphology versus Dialectology'. Many of the papers of this session are under review for publication in the Journal *Morphology* (Springer). These electronic proceedings (ISSN: 1826-7491) include papers from the free-topic session.

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