

Foreword

The first Mediterranean Morphology Meeting (MMM) was held in Mytilene, Greece, in 1997. Since then, the conference has been organized biannually in various locations around the Mediterranean. The original founders and organizers were Geert Booij (Leiden University), Angela Ralli (University of Patras), and Sergio Scalise (University of Bologna). As of 2013, organization is in the hands of Jenny Audring (University of Leiden), Nikos Koutsoukos (Université catholique de Louvain / University of Patras) and Francesca Masini (University of Bologna). MMM11 was made possible thanks to the excellent local organizing committee chaired by Marianne Katsoyannou (University of Cyprus).

The aim of MMM is to provide a focused and informal setting for morphologists to present and discuss their work. The single-session setup 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. Eleven meetings — in 1997 (Mytilene, Greece), 1999 (Lija, Malta), 2001 (Barcelona, Spain), 2003 (Catania, Sicily), 2005 (Fréjus, France), 2007 (Ithaca, Greece), 2009 (Nicosia, Cyprus), 2011 (Cagliari, Sardinia), 2013 (Dubrovnik, Croatia), 2015 (Haifa, Israel) and 2017 (Nicosia, Cyprus) — have proven the success of this formula.

In good tradition, this volume continues the MMM Online Proceedings series with a selection of papers presented at MMM11, which took place June 22-25, 2017 in Nicosia (Cyprus). The topic of the conference was “Morphological Variation: Synchrony and Diachrony”. Keynote speakers were Franz Rainer (Vienna University of Economics and Business) and Mirjam Fried (Charles University, Prague). The editors of this volume wish to thank the local hosts — the Archaeological Research Unit, University of Cyprus (<http://www.ucy.ac.cy/aru/en>), and its director, professor Kassianidou Vasiliki — the organizing committee consisting of Marianne Katsoyannou, Charalambos Christodoulou, Foteini Kal, Marilena Karyolemou, and Constantinos Prastitis, all attendants of MMM11, and especially the contributors to these Online Proceedings.