

Tagungsankündigung / Conference Announcement

“Symposium: Historical English Word Formation” (in memory of Prof. Dr. Hans Sauer) (February 17–18, 2023; Munich, Germany)

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In its development from Old English to today, the English vocabulary underwent a radical restructuring due to an enormous influx of (complex) lexemes from Latin, Anglo-Norman, French, Greek, and other languages. Even though historical linguistics has traced and investigated many aspects of the complex mechanisms of language contact involved in all levels of language, studies on historical word-formation are comparatively rare (cf., e.g. Kastovsky 1968 and 2007; Faß 1992; Sauer 1992; Ciszek 2008; Fisiak/Bator 2013; see also further below). For this reason, our 2023 symposium at Munich University focuses on *English word-formation from the earliest texts to the Late Modern English period*. We invite studies in Old, Middle, and/or Early and Late Modern English with a specifically historical perspective, working with different theoretical and methodological approaches – functional, semantic, socio-pragmatic, sociolinguistic, cognitive, and computational.

The symposium will take place at the Fachbibliothek Philologicum, Ludwigstr. 25, 80539 München. If this should not be possible, the conference will be held in a hybrid-format. Registration and payment methods will be announced in November 2022.

Call for Papers: closed

Registration deadline: 30 January 2023

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