To all friends of Eurolinguistics

Pappenheim, August 2013

Invitation to Eurolinguistics Conference 2014

Dear Eurolinguists,

As director of the Europäisches Haus Pappenheim (EHP), I would like to invite you to our house’s 2nd Eurolinguistics Conference, planned for 4-6 April 2014 at the small town of Pappenheim in the lovely Altmühl valley.

This time, the general frame that I would like to suggest is Interdisciplinary Eurolinguistics. The conference shall be open to connections of Eurolinguistic aspects with all kinds of disciplines (e.g. political science, economy, sociology, geography, history, psychology, pedagogy/didactics, biology, computer science, musicology, literary science). Due to the positive experience at the 2013 conference, there shall again be a final section in which experts and laypersons discuss with each other. It is the EHP’s aim that not only the academic, but also the general public becomes more aware of Eurolinguistic work. The topics for the public discussion shall be taken from the papers presented at the “conference proper”. Again, we also plan to publish the conference papers.

Please feel free to pass this invitation on to everyone who might be interested in the conference. Everyone is warmly invited to suggest a paper for the conference. Each topic should be truly Eurolinguistic in the sense that it approaches or gives examples from all major language groups (Romance, Germanic, Slavic, Finno-Ugric) and all geo-cultural areas (north, west, south, east [with or without Russia]). If this cannot be provided by one individual researcher, colleagues may also team up to approach different languages with the same methodology. We can help you in finding team members. It seems appropriate to declare those European languages with the largest numbers of speakers our conference languages (English, German, French, Italian, Polish, Russian). However, the largest number of colleagues will probably be reached when the talk is given in English.

As far as accommodation and transportation are concerned, we will think of convenient ways for you, once we have a rough number of participants. I will also try to get some funding for the conference.

Therefore, I would like to ask you to tell me as soon as possible (15 Sep 2014, at the latest):

(1) whether you have a topic to suggest or like to participate even without a paper, including
   (1a) the question(s) you are going to deal with in your paper
   (1b) the method(s) you are going to use
   (1c) the languages you are going to cover
   (1d) the language you are going to present the talk in
   (1e) whether you are going to give the talk alone or in a team (name the team members and their affiliations)

(2) whether you need team members (and for which countries or languages)

Please send your information to grzega@pappenheim.de or ehp@pappenheim.de.

With best regards,

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