

**Etymological practices in ancient and medieval scholarship across cultures and media
Hamburg, 6–7 February 2024**

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Conveners:

Athanassios Vergados (Newcastle University/Hamburg Institute for Advanced Study)
Christian Brockmann (Universität Hamburg/Akademie der Wissenschaften in Hamburg, Akademievorhaben Etymologika)
José Maksimczuk (Hamburg Centre for the Study of Manuscript Cultures)

February 6th (Venue: HIAS, Mittelweg 161, 5th floor)

13.30–14.00: Arrival, meet and greet

14.00-14.15: Welcome and introduction

- Dorothea Rüländ, Secretary General of HIAS
- Athanassios Vergados, Christian Brockmann, José Maksimczuk, organisers

Session 1. Chair: Christian Brockmann

14.15-14.45: Jost Gippert (Hamburg Centre for the Study of Manuscript Cultures / DeLiCaTe Project): “Etymologies in context – case studies from India and Ireland”

14.45-15.15: Velizar Sadovski (Österreichische Akademie der Wissenschaften / Iranistik): “Etymology, ritual and magic: the most ancient Indo-Iranian literary traditions of the Veda and the Avesta in a major cultural context”

15.15 -15.45: Jean-Luc Chevillard (CNRS – HTL / Tamilex): “Did Classical Tamil Scholars believe in the possibility of etymology?”

15.45-16.00: Coffee break

Session 2. Chair: Lisa Doyle

16.00-16.30: Maria Chriti (Aristotle University of Thessaloniki): “Transmitting philosophical etymologies of ancient Greek common vocabulary to the Byzantine Etymologica: ἄνθρωπος and ἵππος”

16.30-17.00: Alessandro Musino and Stefano Valente (Universität Hamburg / Akademievorhaben Etymologika): “*Etymología* in the Greek Etymologica: Uncovering the exegetic roots of a definition”

17.00-18.00: break

18.00-19.30: Keynote lecture at the Centre for the Study of Manuscript Cultures, Pavillon
(**Warburgstraße 26**)

Ineke Sluiter (Universiteit Leiden): “Anchoring Technical Terminology”

20.00: Dinner for conference speakers (HIAS, **Rothenbaumchaussee 45**)

7th February (Venue: HIAS, Mittelweg 161)

Session 3. Chair: Eva Wöckener-Gade

09.30-10.00: Laura Massetti (Università degli Studi di Napoli “L’Orientale”): “Hermes’ Epithets between Synchronic and Diachronic Etymology: On Lycophron, *Alexandra* 678–680”

10.00-10.30: Lisa Doyle (Trinity College Dublin): “From the Mouseion to the Margins: Etymology and Mythography in the Scholia on Apollonius Rhodius”

10.30-11.00: Athanassios Vergados (Newcastle University/HIAS): “Apollonius the Scholar”

11.00-11.30: Coffee break

Session 4. Chair: Ciro Giacomelli

11.30-12.00: Simone Fiori (Sapienza Università di Roma) and José Maksimczuk (Hamburg Centre for the Study of Manuscript Cultures): “Georgios-Gennadios Scholarios and his etymological notes: sources, transmission, reception”

12.00-12.30: Jacques Elfassi (Université de Lorraine): “The use of Gregory the Great’s *Moralia in Iob* in Isidore’s *Etymologies*: how a non-etymological source is integrated into an etymological discourse”

12.30-14.00: Lunch (**Rothenbaumchaussee 45**)

Session 5. Chair: José Maksimczuk

14.00-14.30: Dmitry Bondarev (Hamburg Centre for the Study of Manuscript Cultures): “A soul and its forms: Etymological confluences in Qur’an manuscripts with Old Kanembu translation”

14.30-15.00: Elena Lazarenko (Universität Hamburg / INEL): “Analyzing the toponymic landscape of the Taz River basin using 1960s field notes (and modern cartographic data)”

15.00-15.30: Closing remarks