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The regularity principle in sound change  
Approaching the Neogrammarian controversy in the 21st century

20th – 21st July 2017  
Universität zu Köln

Registration:  *Institut für Linguistik* (Department of Linguistics)  
Meister-Ekkehart-Str. 7 (2nd floor)

Conference:  Library of the *Internationales Kolleg Morphomata*  
Weyertal 59 (back premises, 3rd floor)
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Programme

Thursday, July 20th

8:00-9:00 Registration (Institut für Linguistik, Meister-Ekkehart-Str. 7) and transfer to the conference venue (Internationales Kolleg Morphomata, Weyertal 59).

9:00-9:30 Welcome address

9:30-10:10 Murray, Robert (University of Calgary, Canada)
In the beginning was the sound image: Paul’s theory of sound change.

10:10-10:40 Coffee break

10:40-11:20 Ziegler, Sabine (Humboldt University of Berlin, Germany)
Regularity of sound change and the development of *ei in Celtic.

11:20-12:00 Schrijver, Peter (University of Utrecht, The Netherlands)
Regularity of sound change and the historical phonology of North-East Caucasian.

12:00-12:40 Cotticelli Kurras, Paola & Alfredo Rizza (University of Verona, Italy)
Sound change between context and regularity: a comparison of the prosodic systems of the Anatolian languages.

12:40-14:20 Lunch

14:20-15:00 Fellner, Hannes (Leiden University, The Netherlands)
Highly conditioned sound changes and subgrouping.

15:00-15:40 Kölligan, Daniel (University of Cologne, Germany)
(Ir-)regular dissimilation.

15:40-16:20 Grestenberger, Laura (University of Vienna, Austria)
Homonymy avoidance and the regularity of sound change.

16:20-16:50 Coffee break
16:50-17:30
García Castillero, Carlos (University of the Basque Country, Spain)
On system pressure collaborating with phonetic law.

17:30-18:10
Frotscher, Michael (University of Cologne, Germany)
Against the assumption of irregular, frequency-induced sound change: The Middle High German short verbal forms (Kurzverben) and other cases.

18:10-18:50
Brown, Esther L. & William D. Raymond (University of Colorado, USA)
Contextual statistics in word classes: An alternative predictor of phonological change.

18:50 Dinner

Friday, July 21st

9:00-9:40
Page, Richard (Pennsylvania State University, USA)
The phonological basis for regular quantity changes versus sporadic quantity changes in Germanic.

9:40-10:20
Hill, Eugen (University of Cologne, Germany)
Prosodic change and the apparent irregularities in the development of segments.

10:20-10:50 Coffee break

10:50-11:30
Kleber, Felicitas (Ludwig-Maximilians-University Munich, Germany)
From syllable to word language (and back again?): Looking at prosodic change in the laboratory.

11:30-12:10
Carignan, Chris (Western Sydney University, Australia)
The linguistic time machine: Towards recreating sound change in the laboratory.

12:10-12:50
Recasens, Daniel (University of Barcelona, Spain)
On gradualness and multiple evolutionary pathways in sound changes involving consonants.

12:50-14.00 Lunch

14:00-14:40
Hill, Nathan (University of London, Great Britain) & Johann Mattis List (Max Planck Institute for the Science of Human History, Germany)
Quantitative pattern analysis as an aid to discovering regular sound change: a case study from the Burmish languages.

14:40-15:20
Blevins, Juliette (New York University, USA)
Evolutionary Phonology as a tool in historical reconstruction.

15:20-16:00
Mailhammer, Robert (Western Sydney University, Australia)
Some are better than others: Evaluating the quality of equations.

16:00-16:10 Transfer to the Institut für Linguistic, Meister-Ekkehart-Straße 7

16:10 Discussion