

New Perspectives on the Early History of Ancient Greek

A Conference

University of Copenhagen
4.–5. August 2025
South Campus, 15A.0.13

4 August

9:00 - 9:30 Introduction, Welcome, Introductory Remarks

Panel 1: New Perspectives in Greek Historical Phonology & Morphology

9:30 - 10:00 Putting the Accent on Prehistory: New Perspectives in Greek Historical Phonology
Roberto Batisti (Ca' Foscari Università di Venezia)

10:00 - 10:30 The Curious Case of Feminine Adjectives in -οç: A Reassessment
Stefan Höfler (Universität Wien)

10:30 - 11:00 Coffee

Panel 2: Interdisciplinary Perspectives on Migrations and Prehistory

11:00 - 11:30 The Formation of Ancient Greek from a Genomic and Linguistic Perspective
Guus Kroonen (Universiteit Leiden & Københavns Universitet)
Rasmus Thorsø (Universiteit Leiden)
Andrew Wigman (Universiteit Leiden)

11:30 - 12:00 Dorian myths of origin and the ethnic and linguistic landscape of Middle and Northern Greece in the Dark Ages
George Hinge (Aarhus Universitet)

12:00 - 13:00 Lunch break

Panel 3: New Perspectives on Ancient Greek Etymology, Poetics, and Metrics

13:00 - 13:30 Metrics and Greek historical linguistics: some proverbs in Hesiod's Works and Days
Claire Le Feuvre (Sorbonne Université)

13:30 - 14:00 "Semantically unconvincing" Historical Semantics and Etymological Practice
Daniel Kölligan (Julius-Maximilians-Universität Würzburg)

14:00 - 14:30 The fat pasture: Greek Βοιωτία and Vedic *gávyūti*-
Tore Rovs Kristoffersen (Københavns Universitet)

14:30 - 15:00 Coffee

Panel 4: New Perspectives from Balkanic Connections

15:00 - 15:30 The Graeco-Phrygian Verbal System: An attempt at reconstruction
Ivo Hajnal (Universität Innsbruck)

15:30 - 16:00 Greco-Albanian in Time and Space
Adam Hyllested (Københavns Universitet)

16:00 - 16:30 Coffee

16:30 - 17:30 Keynote: Cladistics and Linguistic Realism
Don Ringe (University of Pennsylvania)

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Panel 5: New Perspectives on Greeks and Non-Greek Interactions in the Aegean

9:30 - 10:00 Do we really know 'Minoan' Linear A? Exploring alternative taxonomic approaches
Ester Salgarella (Aarhus Universitet)

10:00 - 10:30 Non-Indo-European Substrates and Ancient Greek: Some Methodological Problems of Investigation
Matthew Scarborough (Københavns Universitet)

10:30 - 11:00 Coffee

Panel 6: New Perspectives on Dialects and Dialectology

11:00 - 11:30 Reconstructing subgrouping and convergence among second millennium dialects
Lucien van Beek (Universiteit Leiden)

11:30 - 12:00 The riddle of Ancient Macedonian: the perspective from the glosses
Wojciech Sowa (Uniwersytet Jagielloński w Krakowie)

12:00 - 13:00 Lunch

13:00 - 14:00 Closing session

Roundtable Discussion

14:00 - 14:30 Wrap-up Remarks



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