

Editorial Preface

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Language@Leeds Working Papers (L@LWP) is a double blind peer-reviewed journal, which publishes works on different branches of linguistics, from sociolinguistics to computational linguistics, from phonetics to syntax and supports research and publications on linguistic aspects of different languages, from Arabic to Georgian, from English to Quechua.

The journal carries the torch of *Leeds Working Papers in Linguistics and Phonetics*, which was first published in 1983 and later revived by Paul Foulkes and Diane Nelson. It published contributions from staff and students from different departments of the University of Leeds. In 2006, the journal became an online publication and in 2013 a student-run publication, with an editorial board composed of postgraduate students representing different schools within the University of Leeds. After a few years, the journal is now up and running again.

The present issue, the first one under the new name of *Language@Leeds Working Papers (L@LWP)*, has been curated by the Editorial Committee, which consists of PhD students and graduates of the School of Languages, Cultures and Societies at the University of Leeds: Giulio Bajona (Linguistics and Phonetics), Elizaveta Vasserman (Centre for Translation Studies), Roberta Morano (Linguistics and Phonetics), Sophiko Daraselia (Linguistics and Phonetics), Souhaila Messaoudi (Arabic and Middle Eastern Studies), and Hala Alshahrani (Applied Linguistics).

This volume presents four papers in the fields of Linguistics and Translation Studies, which cover the translation policy in Georgia (Churadze), the morphology of Irish (Fransen), the phonetic system in Megrelian (Ivanishvili and Lezhava), and the syntax of Georgian (Zakharia). The higher presence of Georgian-related papers in this issue is due to the editors' initial intention to publish a special issue of the journal on Kartvelian languages. After a careful selection, there were not enough papers for a special issue and therefore they have been incorporated in this one.

The editors hope that the range of papers presented and the digital accessibility of *L@LWP* will enrich the dynamic research environment of the University of Leeds and encourage more people to participate in our future issues. We certainly learned a lot in putting together this volume and we hope that our contributors and readers will benefit from it too.

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