

Valency Grammar and Biblical Languages: History, Exegesis, and Pedagogy

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at the ETF Leuven, Sint-Jansbergsesteenweg 97, 3001, Leuven, Belgium.*

Friday, April 4

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| 10:30-10:55 | Coffee/tea |
| 10:55-11:00 | Welcome |
| 11:00-11:30 | “From Valency Theory to Construction Grammar”
<i>Prof. Dr. Thomas Herbst, Friedrich-Alexander-Universität , Erlangen-Nürnberg</i> |
| 11:30-11:45 | Discussion |
| 11:45-12:15 | “Valency Grammar in Modern Classics: A Comparison of Terminology in Recent Reference Grammars”
<i>Dr. Mark Paridaens, ETF Leuven</i> |
| 12:15-12:30 | Discussion |
| 12:30-13:30 | Lunch |
| 13:30-14:00 | “Valency Grammar: Whence and Wherefore in Biblical Studies?”
<i>Prof. Dr. Stanley E. Porter, McMaster Divinity College</i> |
| 14:00-14:15 | Discussion |
| 14:15-14:45 | “Realizing the Unrealized: Noun Valency as the Key to the Meaning of Genesis 1:1?”
<i>Dr. Stephen Smith, Reformed Theological Seminary</i> |
| 14:45-15:00 | Discussion |
| 15:00-15:30 | Break |

- 15:30-16:00 **“Verbal Valence Patterns of the Hebrew Verb אמר and ל-Prepositional Phrases: A Study of Syntactic Functions, Semantic Roles, and Translation”**
Femke Siebesma-Mannens, Ph.D. Candidate Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam
- 16:00-16:15 Discussion
- 16:15-16:45 **“Valences of Verbs of “Giving” and Their Cognate Nouns in the Septuagint and New Testament”**
Prof. Dr. Em. Paul L. Danove, Villanova University
- 16:45-17:00 Discussion

Saturday, April 5

- 9:30-10:00 **“The Encoding of the Stimulus with Emotion Verbs in Biblical Greek”**
Prof. Dr. Silvia Luraghi, Università di Pavia
- 10:00-10:15 Discussion
- 10:15-10:45 **“The Linguistic Concept of Possession and Valency Grammar”**
Prof. Dr. Thomas Tops, Bergische Universität Wuppertal
- 10:45-11:00 Discussion
- 11:00-11:30 Break
- 11:30-12:00 **“TBD”**
Prof. Dr. Oliver Glanz, Andrews University
- 12:00-12:15 Discussion
- 12:15-12:45 **“A Universal Dependencies Treebank of the Hebrew Bible”**
Prof. Dr. Willem van Peursen and Svenja Lueg (Ph.D. Candidate), Eep Talstra Centre for Bible and Computer, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam
- 12:45-13:00 Discussion
- 13:00-14:00 Lunch
- 14:00-14:30 **“Database Annotations and Translation Options”**
Dr. Janet Dyk, Eep Talstra Centre for Bible and Computer, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam
- 14:30-14:45 Discussion
- 14:45-15:15 **“Reasoning About Language in Mother Tongue Grammar Teaching”**
Astrid Wijnands, Ph.D. Candidate Radboud Universiteit Nijmegen

15:15-15:30	Discussion
15:30-16:00	Break
16:00-16:30	“Teaching Biblical Languages: A Valency Approach” <i>Dr. Jermo van Nes and Wouter Wakker, ETF Leuven</i>
16:30-16:45	Discussion
16:45-17:00	Briefing for authors
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