Informatique & Égyptologie 2010 — University of Liège Texts, Languages & Information Technology in Egyptology

When. Dates of the conference: Arrive 5 July, sessions 6-8 or 9 July 2010.

Deadline for submitting title and abstract: 26 February 2010.

Signification of Acceptance: 31 March 2010.

Where. Université de Liège – Département des Sciences de l'Antiquité, Service d'Égyptologie.

Call for papers. The conference I&E 2010 is to be held at the Université de Liège under the financial auspices of the Project Ramses (http://www.egypto.ulg.ac.be/Ramses.htm). Given the background of Ramses, the themes of the conference will include a greater emphasis on the processing of texts than recent I&E meetings, but the regular I&E subject areas are still very welcome. We suggest that the following areas be the focus of discussion:

- Questions related to Unicode encoding (hieroglyphic, Coptic, transliteration) for the various phases of Egyptian. It would be of special interest to connect these questions with recent developments in the study of Egyptian palaeography.
- The analysis of the Egyptian language from Old Egyptian to Coptic in relation with IT questions. Of especial interest are the methods used for constructing and developing large-scale corpora (e.g., TLA, Ramses), whatever the level of analysis (graphemic, lexicographic, morphological, syntactic, or semantic).
- Topics related to preservation of digital information from a technical perspective (questions of digital archiving and conservation of electronic materials).
- Innovative advances in bibliographical tools (e.g. AEB-OEB, etc.). Of especial interest are suggestions regarding the creation of a bibliographical resource directly linking the various projects currently underway. Another matter is the creation of an Open Access Repository for the storage of texts unprotected by copyright.
- Problems associated with the e-publication of books and journals.
- Questions related to onomastics and titularies, especially in view of advances made in the study of the internal structure of proper names and titles.
- Finally, we would like to encourage contributions dealing with the application of innovative technologies, such as Image Processing, 3D animation and modelling, and GIS systems.

It should be emphasized that the main focus of the conference is on general, methodological matters. Contributions stemming from an ongoing project should be made as relevant as possible to the entire community of scholars and researchers.

Languages. English is strongly encouraged, but German and French will be accepted; English summaries will be needed for the latter ones.

Practical information.

- [1] Length of the papers: 30 minutes.
- [2] Speakers are expected to use a PowerPoint presentation (preferably in English), at least listing their key points (PowerPoint presentation files are to be kept small, and all photos compressed as much as possible [level 3 on a scale from 1 to 10 for jpeg's file; max. resolution = 1024 x 768]).

[3] Some pre-conference workshops could be organized in order to help conference participants to get up to speed in aspects related to the main topics of the conference.

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