



LangSci Series Editors Meeting 2023

LangSci
November 16, 2023
2023-11-17, HU Berlin

- › First funding round 2018–2020
 - › **105** institutions * **1000** EUR
- › Second funding round 2021–2023
 - › **116** institutions * **1000** EUR
- › Target third founding round 2024–2026
 - › **100** institutions * **1300** EUR

- › Lion's share
 - › **Germany**
- › well represented
 - › **Netherlands, Switzerland, Belgium**
- › OK
 - › **Sweden, Norway, Finland, Austria**
- › can do better
 - › **UK, US, Australia, France**
- › low representation
 - › **Spain, Eastern Europe**
- › no representation
 - › **Asia, Africa, Middle East, Latin America, Denmark, Ireland, New Zealand, Italy, Portugal**

- › currently 35 series
- › two more series accepted
 - › *Current Issues in Celtic Linguistics*
 - › *Frame-Based Approaches to Semantics*
- › rejected
 - › series on translation practices (not linguistic enough)
- › in preparation
 - › Papuan linguistics
- › decommissioned
 - › *Morphological Investigations*
 - › *Topics at the Grammar-Discourse Interface*
 - › *Studies in Diversity Linguistics*
- › dormant
 - › *Computational Models of Language Evolution*
 - › *Classics in Linguistics*

Childs ALGAD

Jenks ALGAD

Green CAL

Essegbey CAL

Serrelli CAM

PutnamPolinsky CIB

Payne COGL

Terhart COGL

Dyck ELA

Gibson EOTMS

Winckel EOTMS

Herkel HPLS

Stockigt HPLS

Andreassen LV

Wagner LV

Bech OGL

Favaro ORL

Rosemeyer ORL

Howe ORL

Zimmermann OSL

Giouli PMWE

Miestamo RCG

Bartens SCL

Enke SIDL

Ahn SILP

Fuchs SILP

Brunner TBLS

Neacsu TBLS

Vaissiere TBLS

Tallman TPD

Bracks TPD

Nikulin TPD

Kuznetsova TPD

Auer AHL
Haig CAM
Lamberti CAM
Stoyanova CAM
Schroeder CAM

Soesman CIB
Niinaga COGL
Zahrer COGL
Rohleder COGL
Krifka EOTMS

Kuelpmann EOTMS
Sinnemäki RCG
Faller RCG
Richter TBLS

Priorisation of submissions

- › In the next funding period 2024–2026, we will produce 33 books a year
- › We will have 31 productive series, with 2 more accepted series
- › ~ 1 book/year per series
- › How to resolve competition for scarce slots?
 - › proposal: series with less books in a given year goes first

- › We have been opposed to festschrifts from the beginning, but somewhat lenient
- › We have suffered, and we have learned from our mistakes
- › Festschrifts are by and large a nightmare
 - › Stefan and Felix can attest to that
- › We will not publish anything which resembles a festschrift from now on. Period.

Quality of submissions

- › In general, the technical quality of submissions has significantly improved
- › People use our templates, and series provide guidance to authors about what is expected from them
 - › CAL has workshops at their annual meetings and some kind of LaTeX response team.

- › One submission with very shoddy papers
- › We cannot assure publication with the resources we have at our disposal.
- › Cavalier disregard of any and all guidelines, which we cannot compensate.
- › Volume editors will have to rework the papers, but they do not have the resources either
- › Book stalled and unlikely to be published any time soon, or even at all.



- › Given the increased output and workload, we will have less time for “rescue missions” for manuscripts in distress.

- › New project joining the *Berlin-Brandenburg Academy of Sciences*, the *Endangered Language Documentation Programme*, and *Language Science Press*
- › Get interlinearized texts in a structured format, treating them as research data
- › Generate HTML pages, PDFs, but also NLP-compatible formats like JSON or CSV
- › Print-on-demand books to be published via LangSci
- › All costs covered until 2026, marginal costs after that

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