SEVENTH FORUM ON BULGARIAN GRAMMAR

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The 7th Forum on Bulgarian Grammar – symbolically hosted by the St. Cyril and St. Methodius University of Veliko Tarnovo and co-organised by the Institute for Bulgarian Language Prof. Lyubomir Andreychin at the Bulgarian Academy of Sciences – was held on 22 October 2020 under the heading Innovation Processes in the Grammar of Contemporary Bulgarian.

Due to the pandemic, the Forum took place online, with participants and attendees communicating to each other from three principal locations: the Institute for Bulgarian Language, the University of Veliko Tarnovo and the University of Plovdiv. Some participants logged in from their homes. Despite these difficulties, the two sessions were received with great interest and spurred lively discussions.

There were 23 talks included in the programme (presented according to the authors’ affiliations): 5 – from the University of Veliko Tarnovo, 5 – from the Institute for Bulgarian Language, 5 – from Sofia University, 4 – from the University of Plovdiv, 1 – from Trakia University, 1 from the South-West University, 1 – from the Institute of Mathematics and Informatics at the Bulgarian Academy of Sciences, 1 – from the Bashkir State University at Ufa, Russian Federation.

The Forum began with congratulatory addresses by the Deputy Director of the Institute for Bulgarian Language Assoc. Prof. Dr. Hristina Deykova, the President of the University of Veliko Tarnovo Prof. Dr. Hristo Bondzholov and the Head of the Department of Modern Bulgarian of the Faculty of Philology at the University of Veliko Tarnovo Assoc. Prof. Dr. Maria Ilieva.

The Forum was dedicated to Prof. Dr. Sc. Ruselina Nitsolova and her immense contribution to Bulgarian grammar as the only Bulgarian author of a grammar on Bulgarian to have been published in Germany in English. Her work was translated by another invited speaker – Assoc. Prof. Dr. Hristo Stamenov. A leading expert in Bulgarian grammar, Prof. Ruselina Nitsolova was an invited
speaker at the Forum where she delivered her talk on *Context and Meaning of Grammemes after Grammaticalisation*.

The talks submitted for publication by the participants in the Forum will be published in the 2021 Supplement of *Balgarski ezik*.

*On behalf of the Organisers*

**A Chronology of the Instalments of the Forum on Bulgarian Grammar**

**First Forum** *Meaning and Structure in Language: Means of Representation* organised by the Institute for Bulgarian Language Prof. Lyubomir Andreychin at the Bulgarian Academy of Sciences, 27 November 2014.

**Second Forum** *Grammar and Pragmatics* organised by the St. Cyril and St. Methodius University of Veliko Tarnovo and the Institute for Bulgarian Language Prof. Lyubomir Andreychin at the Bulgarian Academy of Sciences, 19 November 2015.

**Third Forum** *Functional Grammar – Achievements and Prospects* organised by the University of Plovdiv Paisiy Hilendarski and the Institute for Bulgarian Language Prof. Lyubomir Andreychin at the Bulgarian Academy of Sciences, 20 October 2016.

**Fourth Forum** *Interdisciplinary Studies in Bulgarian* organised by Sofia University St. Kliment Ohridski and the Institute for Bulgarian Language Prof. Lyubomir Andreychin at the Bulgarian Academy of Sciences, 26 October 2017.

**Fifth Forum** *Dynamics of Syntactic Ideas at the Turn of the 21st Century* organised by Konstantin Preslavsky University of Shumen and the Institute for Bulgarian Language Prof. Lyubomir Andreychin at the Bulgarian Academy of Sciences, 18 October 2018.

**Sixth Forum** *Grammatical Systems in Synchrony and Diachrony* organised by the South-West University Neofit Rilski and the Institute for Bulgarian Language Prof. Lyubomir Andreychin at the Bulgarian Academy of Sciences, 17 October 2019.

**Seventh Forum** *Innovation Processes in the Grammar of Contemporary Bulgarian* organised by the St. Cyril and St. Methodius University of Veliko Tarnovo and the Institute for Bulgarian Language Prof. Lyubomir Andreychin at the Bulgarian Academy of Sciences, 22 October 2020.

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