Dear Colleagues,

This is the second and final Circular and Call for Papers for the 11th Medieval English Studies Symposium.

School of English at Adam Mickiewicz University cordially invites you to the 11th Medieval English Studies Symposium, which will be held in Poznań 17-18 November, 2012. MESS 11 will have as its aim bringing together specialists in the various areas of medieval English linguistics. This year we especially encourage contributions centred around the theme of standardisation, however, papers devoted to other diachronic topics are also most welcome.

There are two plenary lectures planned. Our guest plenary speakers this year include:

prof. Andreas H. Jucker from the University of Zürich, Zürich, Switzerland

and

prof. Piotr Gąsiorowski from Adam Mickiewicz University, Poznań, Poland.

Papers

Also, the organisers intend a number of sessions for individual presenters. 30 min slots (20 min paper + 10 min discussion) will be available for each speaker. The conference venue will be equipped with a laptop and OHP for your convenience. If you would like to use a handout please send it to us in advance, so that we can provide a number of copies for the participants.

We encourage submissions pertaining to all areas of historical linguistic research within the broadly understood medieval English period. Abstracts of max. 500 words in the .odt, .txt or
.doc (Word for Windows) format should be submitted by the 30th May 2012 electronically via EasyAbbs available here or via our web page at MESS 2012.

Unfortunately, we may host only a limited number of section papers, thus abstracts will be reviewed and selected by the organising committee. Authors will be notified of acceptance by the 1st September 2012.

Participants without papers are also cordially welcome.

**Conference venue and accommodation**

This year the Symposium will be held at DS Jowita, ul. Zwierzyniecka, Poznań, which is one of Adam Mickiewicz University’s conference centres and student hotels.

Accommodation will be available at Jowita itself, with a possibility of a discount. Should you be interested in booking a room at the conference venue, please make sure you state explicitly that the booking is made in connection with the conference organised by the School of English. If you require assistance please let us know at mess@ifa.amu.edu.pl.

Other possibilities of accommodation include a number of hotels within the city centre. You may find a comprehensive list of hotels at MESS 2012 / Venue, along with their ranking and information on location and booking procedures.

**Registration**

Online registration is now available via our website MESS 2012.

The Conference Registration will start on Sat, 17th November, 2012 at 8:00 a.m. at the conference venue. The conference fees this year are as follows:

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You may find the current exchange rate here.

The Conference fee should be **paid on arrival** at the registration desk or by **bank transfer** to:

- Universytet im. Adama Mickiewicza
- Ul. Wieniawskiego 1
- 61-712 Poznań
- Bank Zachodni WBK S.A.
- 6/0 Poznań
- 77 1090 1362 0000 0000 3601 7903
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