

July 2008

1st ANNOUNCEMENT – CALL FOR PAPERS**Fifth Biennial International Colloquium on the Chadic Languages**to be held at the University of Leipzig, Germany
June 10 - 14, 2009

This Fifth Colloquium continues the series of Leipzig (2001), Prague (2003), Villejuif/Paris (2005), and Bayreuth (2007), taking up two discontinued traditions (the series of Leiden 1976, Hamburg 1981, Boulder 1987) and the Franco-German meetings in Paris (Groupe d'Etudes tchadiques, 1980 – 1997). It is devoted to all aspects of Chadic linguistics, in particular:

- Descriptive linguistics of individual Chadic languages
- Comparative linguistics of Chadic languages
- Typology of Chadic languages
- Hausa linguistics
- The position of Chadic within Afroasiatic
- Chadic languages in contact with non-Chadic languages

The year in which the Fifth Colloquium will take place coincides with that of both the 600th anniversary of the University of Leipzig which was established in the year 1409 and the retirement of H. Ekkehard Wolff from the Chair of *Afrikanistik* at this university which he took over in 1994.

The venue of the Colloquium will be at the *Villa Tillmanns* which serves as university guest house within walking distance from the city centre. This guest house also provides single and double rooms for participants of the Colloquium from Wednesday (arrival) to Sunday (departure). Because of the manifold academic activities scheduled for the year of the university's 600th anniversary, early registration for accommodation is highly recommended (also for non-university guest house accommodation, if preferred or necessary).

As usual, a selection of papers from the Colloquium will be published in the special series *Chadic Linguistics – Linguistique Tchadique – Tschadistik* (Rüdiger Köppe Verlag, Cologne).

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Registration (before December 1, 2008) should contain:

1. **NAME AND ADDRESS** (e-mail AND snail mail),
2. **(WORKING) TITLE OF PAPER**,
3. **PLANNED DATE OF ARRIVAL** (suggested: Wednesday, June 10)
4. **PLANNED DATE OF DEPARTURE** (suggested: Sunday, June 14)
5. **REQUEST FOR ACCOMMODATION TYPE** (SINGLE OR DOUBLE, GUEST HOUSE, NON-GUEST HOUSE)

Deadline for submitting final title and abstract (1 page): **April 1, 2009**.