

A Historical Keywords Dictionary

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Historical Keyword Dictionary

- An online, open access resource
- The aim: to provide articles by world class historians about keywords and concepts in the past, specifically 1500-1800
- with accompanying bibliographies, visual images, and inter-lingual links across different languages and cultures
- Start with an English pilot, seek partners across Europe
- Initial focus on vocabularies for two themes:
 - EMOTIONS
 - GOVERNMENT AND RULE.
(both with innovative scholarship and with gender dimension in line with COST ENel objectives)
- Each theme will study pan-European origins and resonance alongside context-focused explorations c. 1500-1800
- Useful for scholars, students, and the general public
- cutting edge scholarship in readily accessible forms

Examples

- Family: hierarchical household frameworks including related and non-related dependants, from private homes to schools and houses of correction; yet also strong resonances of lineage and descent
 - “I dined on the remains of what my family had for dinner” Thomas Turner, Sussex, April 1764
- Happy: from chance, luck, and material wellbeing to internal sentiments
- To help read texts and study the past

Agenda

- Planning the model and finding partners a) for the pilot, and b) for pan-European partnerships. The participants will propose partners and seek support within COST ENel WGs
- Exploring the technical facilities
- Consolidate systemic research methods for the pilot and linked partnerships through designed meetings and workshops
- Exploring funding opportunities

Proposed Timetable

2015

- connecting partners and exploring facilities beyond and within COST ENel; initial workshop to develop a model and selection of key terms
- Exploring publishing facilities e.g. within DARIAH, and with commercial presses
- Exploring research infrastructure use, e.g. within DARIAH, and in view of funding possibilities
- Discussing connections with further potential partners
- Applying for funding

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- **meetings and drafting**
- developing the pilot system and research infrastructure, e.g. in collaboration with DARIAH
- developing entries
- discussing the project in a dedicated meeting/workshop while starting peer refereeing, including discussions with potential partners
- website design
- negotiations with publishers

2018

- completion of online entries and publication processes
- further work with partners
- a full scale workshop to launch an open access online pilot

Challenges

- **Provisions for sustainability:**
 - In-kind provision(s): estates and research time by Sheffield and Lancaster Universities
 - Austrian Academy of Science infrastructure (e.g. for publishing data) and research DARIAH-EU network.
 - Additional funding (as applicable): to be explored in connection with existing large scale EU and UKRC projects in Lancaster and Sheffield Universities
- **Support**
 - Lexical, linguistic, technical, design, connections, funding, and identifying partners