

Notice

On 1 October 2009 I received the status of professor emeritus. This means that I am no longer teaching or giving normal exams. But students who attended my classes and now wish to take exams or write a doctoral thesis under my supervision are still welcome to do so. In particular, I would like to invite students interested in the *English Dialect Dictionary*, the object of a linguistic research project financed by the Austrian Science Fund, to contact me. This project was finished at the end of March 2016 and is now accessible free of charge for everybody under the address eddonline-proj.uibk.ac.at. I strongly advise students and younger colleagues to use this "clearly tremendous ... brilliant ... wonderfully useful" tool of linguistic analysis (as three of the world's most prominent linguists have called it). Moreover, I would be happy to offer help in all matters of both English historical and variety linguistics. If you like to meet me in person, please contact me via e-mail for arranging an appointment. For the time being (until March 2017), I'll also be regularly present in the project room on the eighth floor in the University building ("Geiwiturm" 40830).

With best wishes to all my colleagues, friends and former students,

Manfred Markus

Biography

Manfred Markus, Dr., born in Hagen/Westfalia, Germany, on 15 February 1941, Austrian and German citizen, has been chairholder for English Linguistics and Medieval English Literature at the U of Innsbruck since 1981. He functioned as head of department from 1985 to 1995 and from 2006 to 2008.

Markus graduated in English and German studies and also in pedagogy and philosophy at the U of Göttingen/Germany, got his doctoral degree and "habilitation" for English at the U of Regensburg (1980), spent two terms as a student at Reading U (1962) and was Visiting Prof. at the U of Massachusetts at Amherst, Mass./USA (1974/5) and at the University of Trento/Italy (1997). From 1995 to 1997, he spent shorter periods of teaching at the universities of Nottingham Trent/England, Paris XII and Valencia/Spain, and after 2000 at the Ludwig-Maximilians-University of Munich, the University of Dresden and the University of Turku/Finland.

He started his career in the analysis of stylistics and narrative technique, particularly of Middle English literature. But since the late 1970s, he has, apart from occasional work in Middle English literature, focussed on linguistics, above all historical English, phonology, contrastive and corpus linguistics, as well as the creation of new corpora. In June 2006, Markus received a Festschrift entitled *Corpora and the History of English*.

Markus has been married to Ingrid, née Müller, since 1968 and has two children, Dr. Dirk Markus (born in 1971) and Ronald Markus (born in 1974). He lives at Innsbruck, Austria.

Publications

- 21 books (monographs and editions)
- editing of series
- 107 articles
- 67 book reviews and shorter contributions
- various articles in encyclopedias and handbooks and varia (translations, CD-ROMs, etc)

Current Projects (available)

- Innsbruck Middle English Prose (on CD-ROM)
- Innsbruck English Letters (1386-1698) (on CD-ROM)
- *EDD Online* (Expanding and exploiting the electronic version of the *English Dialect Dictionary*): URL: <http://eddonline-proj.uibk.ac.at/edd/termsOfUse.jsp>
- *English Dialect Dictionary Online, version 4.0* (work in progress 2021-2022)

Former Projects (closed)

- ICAMET(Innsbruck Computer Archive of Machine-Readable English Texts)
 - Innsbruck Middle English Prose
 - Innsbruck English Letters (1386-1698)
 - ESP (English for Specific Purposes)
 - SPE (Special Englishes)
 - HEDGEHOGS (Historical English Dictionaries, Grammars and Educational Handbooks of German Schools)
- **SPEED** (Spoken English in Early Dialects) (as of May 2016 no longer available online)

Conference activity

Teaching