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I studied English and German at Erlangen and Oxford (year abroad), did a Ph.D. on the valency of English adjectives (published in 1983). While working as an assistant at the Chair of Prof Götz I got interested in English learners' dictionaries and did my Habilitation on linguistic aspects of the dubbing of tv series. I am one of the editors of A Valency Dictionary of English and the Erlangen Valency Patternbank. Furthermore, I am the author of the textbook English Linguistics (2010) and co-author of a textbook about English lexicography (with Michael Klotz). More recently, I developed an interest in Construction Grammar and in particular the role of syntactic knowledge related to particular items and generalizations (Herbst 2020). A textbook in syntactic analysis entitled A Construction Grammar of the English Language (T. Herbst & T. Hoffmann) will be published by Benjamins later this year, which also serves as the basis of the CASA construction that a team of researchers in Erlangen are currently working on.