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Preface

This volume explores the interface between morphosyntax and semantics-pragmatics in the domain of referential and quantificational nominal expressions. We present synchronic and diachronic case studies from Romance and Germanic languages, with the aim of empirically testing, on the basis of comparative data, the most recent theoretical developments in the analysis of reference and quantification.

The contributions collected in this volume are the results of intensive discussion and exchange among scholars involved in the network 'RED—Referential expressions in discourse' (<https://red.uni-koeln.de/>). The authors presented preliminary versions of their papers during a workshop that took place in Bologna in June 2017 and was jointly organized by the University of Cologne and the University of Bologna. We thank both institutions for their organizational and financial support, as well as the German Research Foundation for financial support for the conference and the volume as part of the SFB 1252 Prominence in Language (Project-ID 281511265). We also gratefully acknowledge the Mobility Grant sponsored by the University of Cologne that initiated the international cooperation between the editors of this volume. Special thanks go also to Nicola Grandi, who was the local co-organizer. We are also grateful to Frederike Weeber and Antonia Braun for their scientific and organizational support at various stages of the project.

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Abbreviations

The abbreviations in the glosses that follow the Leipzig Glossing Rules are not listed below.

Adj	adjective
BNC	British National Corpus
BNP	bare noun phrase
BP	bare plural
BQ	bare quantifier
CLD	clitic left dislocation
COCA	Corpus of Contemporary American English
CORIS	Corpus di Italiano Scritto
CP	Complementizer Phrase
D	determiner
Det	determiner
DeReKo	German Reference Corpus
DiaCORIS	Corpus Diacronico di Italiano Scritto
DO	direct object
DOM	differential object marking
DP	Determiner Phrase
DPG	definite plural generic
EI	epistemic indefinite
ENHG	Early New High German
Eval	evaluative meaning
Excl	exclusiveness operator
exh	exhaustification operator
FC	free choice
FCI	free choice interpretation
FEM	feminine
FnhdC	Bonner Frühneuhochdeutschkorpus
FQ	floating quantifier
FR	free relative
GER	gerund
HNC	Hungarian National Corpus
Ind	indiscriminative meaning
INP	indefinite noun phrase
IO	indirect object
IP	Inflection Phrase

LF	Logical Form
MASC	masculine
MHG	Middle High German
MIDIA	Morfologia dell'Italiano in Diacronia (database)
MLG	Middle Low German
MWB	Middle High German dictionary
N	noun
NP	Noun Phrase
NS	null subject
NSL	null subject languages
Num	number
NumP	Number Phrase
O	object
OE	Old English
OHG	Old High German
OVI	Opera del Vocabolario Italiano (database)
PDG	present day standard German
PoS	part of speech
PP	Prepositional Phrase
Pred	predicate
PrP	Predicate Phrase
Q	question
QDet	question determiner
RCI	random choice interpretation
REA	Referenzkorpus Altdeutsch
REM	Referenzkorpus Mittelhochdeutsch
REN	Referenzkorpus Mittelniederdeutsch/Niederrheinisch
RM	relativized minimality
RRC	reduced relative clause
S	subject
TP	Tense Phrase
UFC	universal free choice
UFR	universal free relative
V	verb
VP	Verb Phrase
wh-	interrogative