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### **HLCES Overview:**

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2002 (founded): 2 major projects, 2 series, 1 journal, 9 researchers/PhD students

2018: 3 major projects completed + 3 ongoing, 3 series, 2 journals, 16 researchers/PhD students

2002-17: 20 guest scholars, 15 scholarship holders, 19 visiting professors



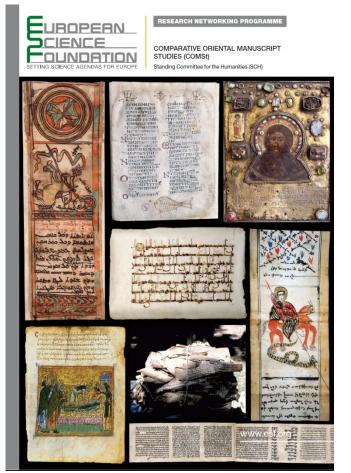
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#### Major projects

- ✓ Encyclopaedia Aethiopica (- 2014)
- ✓ Comparative Oriental Manuscript Studies
- ✓ Ethio-SPARE: Cultural Heritage of Christian Ethiopia. Salvation, Preservation, Research (- 2015)
- ✓ Corpus dei Manoscritti Copti Letterari
- ✓ TraCES: From Translation to Creation ....
- ✓ Schriftkultur des christlichen Äthiopiens und Eritreas: beta masaheft Journals and series
  - ✓ Aethiopica (since 2013: with Supplement)
  - ✓ Aethiopistische Forschungen
  - ✓ Comparative Oriental Manuscript Studies Newsletter / Bulletin
  - ✓ Corpus Scriptorum Christianorum Orientalium, Script. Aethiopici
  - ✓ Orientalia biblica et cristiana



## Comparative Oriental Manuscript Studies (COMSt)



- European Science Foundation
- 2009-2014
- 13 Member Organizations
- Chair: Alessandro Bausi (Hamburg)
- Coordinator: Eugenia Sokolinski (Hamburg)
- Major research network for manuscript studies

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An Introduction

#### – 5 areas:

codicology, philology, cataloguing, conservation, eHumanities

#### — 10+ languages:

- Arabic, Armenian, Georgian, Greek,
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- Main areas:
- manuscript studies
- text studies
- oral history
- exchange and education

#### Outcomes:

- Catalogues online
- Publication series (catalogues, proceedings, articles)
- Integrated into Beta masaheft



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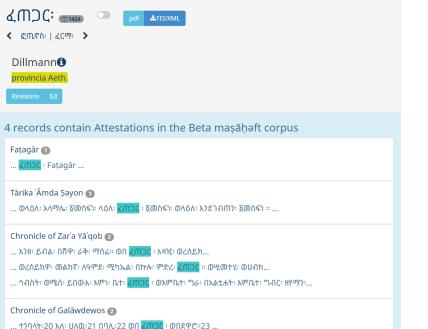
# TraCES: From Translation to Creation: Changes in Ethiopic Style and Lexicon from Late Antiquity to the Middle Ages

- Main areas:
- Language corpus
- Concordance
- Lexicon



#### Outcomes:

- Digital tools (annotator; lexicon)
- Annotated texts
- Studies to language history and grammar
- Partially integrated with Beta masaheft



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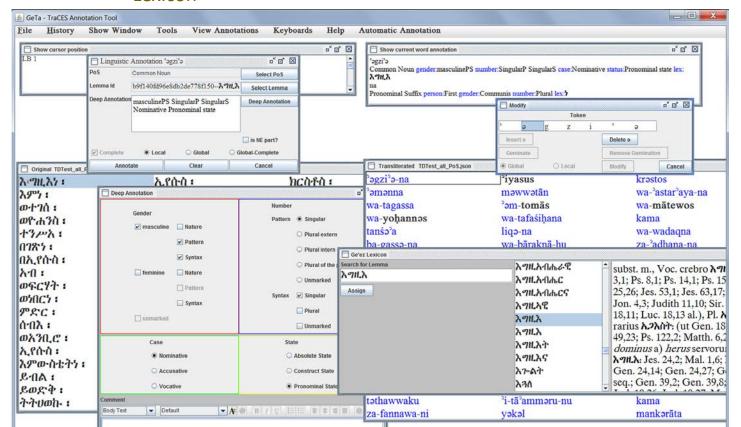
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## Corpus dei Manoscritti Copti Letterari (CMCL)

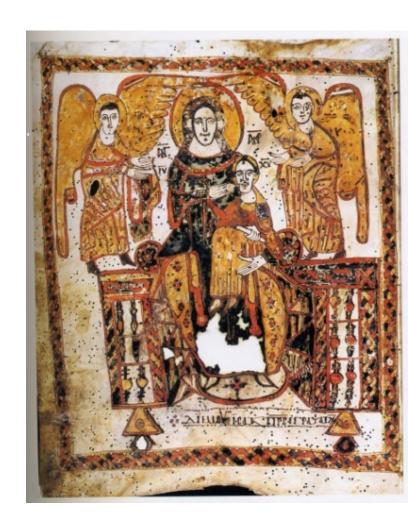
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- 2010/11 Hamburg
- PI: Tito Orlandi (Rome)





## Corpus dei Manoscritti Copti Letterari (CMCL)

- Christian Egyptian Culture (1-12 cent.)
- Database on CopticLiterature (with ClavisCoptica)
- Bibliography
- Text editions
- Microfilms and images

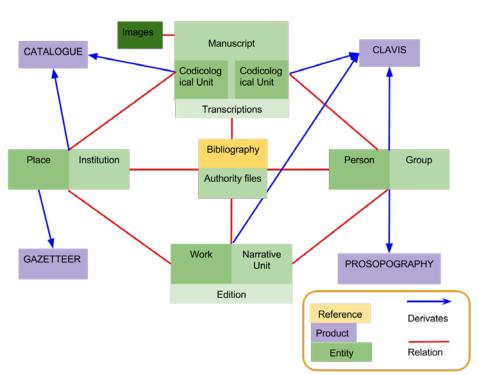




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- Online portal to the study of Ethiopian MSS heritage
- Catalogues
- Clavis
- Gazetteer
- Prosopography
- Text editions
- Interoperable with other projects

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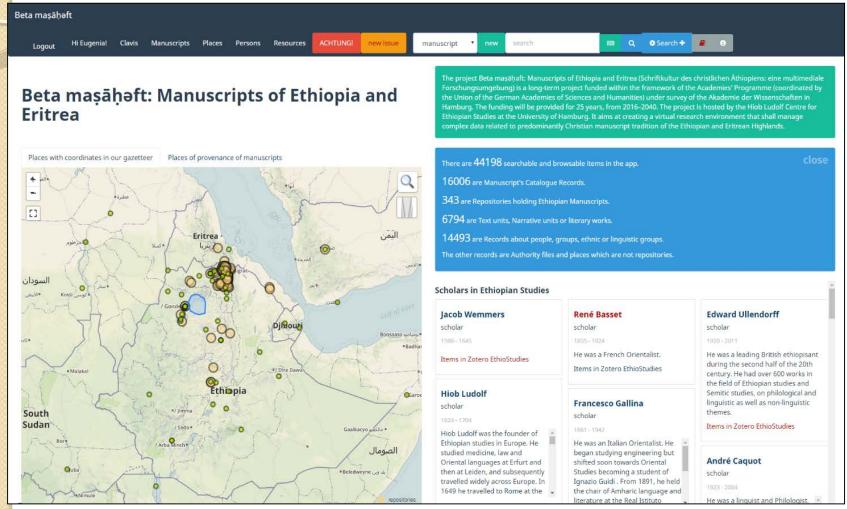




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Manuscripts of **Ethiopia** and **Eritrea** 

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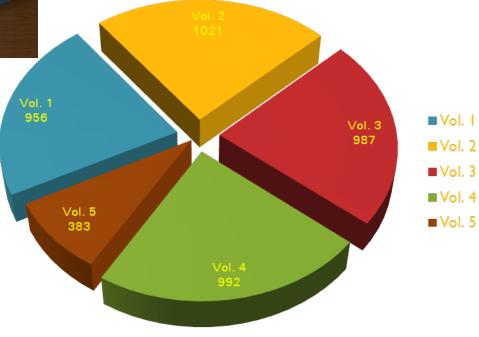
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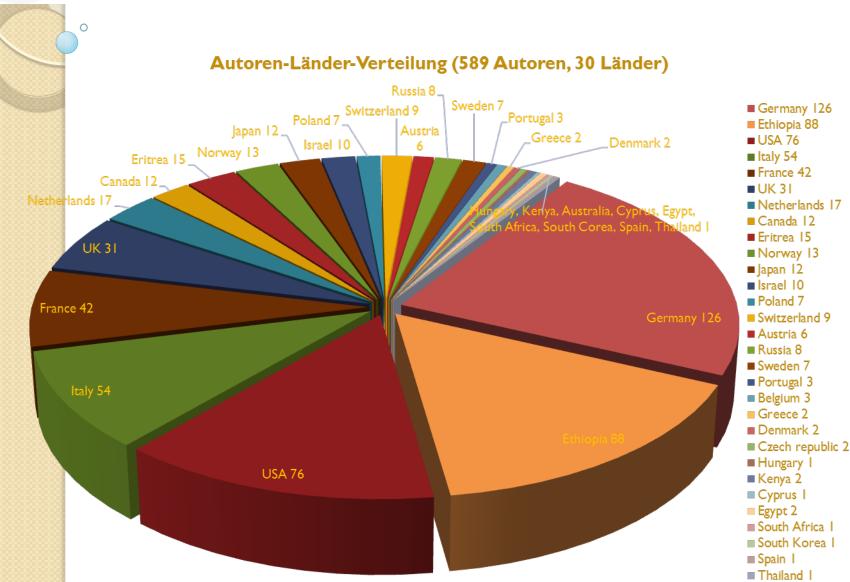


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Kənfu Addam

were recaptured, Andayl had his feet cut off, and K.A. and Adära Haylu were blinded. The death penalty was officially remitted, but most probably K.A. was killed, or died, shortly thereafter. Src.: BlunChr 231f., 249, 251-57, 262-68; BTafA, s. index; IGNAZIO GUIDI, "La storia di Havle Mika'el", RRALm ser. 5<sup>a</sup>, 11, 1902, 2-79, here 42-68; NATHANIEL PEARCE, The Life and Times of Nathaniel Pearce, London 1831, vol. 1, 275; WILHELM EDUARD RÜPPELL, Reise in Abyssinien, vol. 2, Frankfurt am Main 1840, 365-71.

Lit.: SHIFERAW BEKELE, "The Chronicle of Tecle Giyorgis I (first r. 1779-1784): an Introductory Assessment", in: StudAeth 247-58, here 248, 253f.

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#### Kənfu Haylu

Däğğazmač K. (ħ34: 384; b. ca. 1800, d. 1839, Fanğa) was a protagonist of the era of the \*Zämänä mäsafənt, whose power was at its peak in the 1830s when he was governing the vast lands known as A Maru Qämmäs and comprising the historical provinces of \(^{7}\)Dämbəya, \(^{7}\)Qwara, Agäwmədər, stretching as far as Mätämma in the south-west.

K. was the son of Haylä Maryam (or ≯Haylu) Wäldä Givorgis, a petty governor of Owara under däggazmač / Maru, and Wälättä Täkle, Haylu's first wife and Maru's niece. He was therefore related, though distantly, to both the Solomonic dynasty (through his father, whose son by his second wife Attətägäb was Kaśa Haylu, the future ase / Tewodros II) and to the Warrasek dynasty of / Yägğu (through his mother, Maru being / Gugsa Märsa's son-in-law). This latter connection made him raise his claims over Maru's domain after the latter's death in 1827.

During the early 1830s he is mentioned as governing Dämbəya and frequently fighting on the side of & Dori Gugsa, or the rising & Wabe Haylä Maryam. Following his defeat of Säbagadis and rise to power in 1831, Dori, afraid of K.'s growing popularity, threw him in prison. The last of Gugsa's children, he died several months later, and atage ≠Mänän came to power as the regent of the young Ali Alula. Subsequently, K. was freed and given the governorship of the Maru Qämmäs. He ruled over the region from his base at Fanga in Dämbəya till his death.

K.'s importance grew considerably when in 1836-37 he fended off the Egyptians who had advanced into Ethiopian territory around and beyond Mätämma. His complete victory over the small Egyptian force headed by Ahmad Gāšim of tion of Mätämma did not, however, prevent the subsequent Egyptian aggression that eventually culminated in the \*Egyptian-Ethiopian war. One of the numerous Agane celebrating K.'s victory was included in one of the chronicles of ase Tewodros's reign. The future emperor, a minor at that time, was growing up at his half-brother's court in Dämbəya.

K.'s paramount role in the Ethiopia of the Zämänä mäsafənt is underlined by the fact that his name appears among the authors of the two letters sent by the then emperor / Sahlä Dəngəl to Queen Victoria and Louis Philippe. The letters were composed by aččäge ₹ Mahśäntä Mika'el and carried to Europe by Antoine d'Abbadie. K. is listed as one of the two most powerful governors of ras Ali, along with Wəbe Havlä Maryam.

The chronicles of Tewodros's reign mention a quarrel Kasa had with his brother towards the end of 1838 that made him leave Dämbova and seek asylum in Goğğam. He only returned to Fanga upon K.'s death from illness in 1839. K.'s sons, Yəlma and Mäkwännən (the voungest son, / Gärad, still too young at that time) contested for their father's lands but were disinherited by Ali and Mänän in favour of Bərru Goššu. In the battle of Dəngəl Bärr in late 1839 Yəlma and Mäkwännən were defeated by the army of Bərru and his father Yəlma died, falling from a horse, Mäkwännən and Gärad lived on as softa until their deaths, in 1856 and 1860 respectively. K.'s only daughter, Wəsan, married Yəlma Asfaw; their daughter Wärqənäš later became John & Bell's wife.

In 1847 Maru Qämmäs was conquered by Kaśa Havlu and from then on his brother's former domain served as the future emperor's power base. Src.: AbbSéjour vol. 1, 41-45, 159, 181, 193, 196, 406f., 486; BlunChr 487, 490f.; CRNuov 408; FusTeo 1 (text) = 64f. (tr.); SAMUEL GOBAT, Journal of a Three Years' Residence in Abyssinia ..., London 1834, 119, 149, 163, 298; MorTeod 143; MonVidTheo 1 (text) = 1 (tr.); RubActa I nos. 58f., 100; RubTew 56 n. 34.

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#### Kenya, relations with

In pre-colonial times, the social organization in the Ethio-Kenyan region was mainly based on descent groups and age grades, and political entities were seldom defined by clear territorial or even national boundaries. Several linguistic /Qadarif at Wad Kaltabu in 1837 and destruc- groups extend across the Ethiopian-Kenyan

boundary: the language of the Nanatom belongs to the same dialect cluster as that of the ≯Turkana on the Kenyan side, the ≯Đáasanač straddle the boundary, and on both sides of the boundary there are large, continuous areas of \*Oromo (s. also \*Orma) and \*Somali speakers (e.g., the / Garre). In addition to these continuous areas of linguistic unity across the international boundary, it is possible to find numerous ethnic minorities of Ethiopian origin within K. During the colonial period, the British encouraged the Burgi to settle on Mount Marsabit as agriculturalists. Today, Burği trade networks extend from Mombasa to Addis Abäba.

The grounds for the British foundation of K. were laid effectively by a business company, the Imperial British East Africa Company, which enjoyed the protection of the British Crown and extended this "protection" to the territories under its control, thus forming the British East African Protectorate.

Diplomatic contacts concerning the relations between Ethiopia and British East Africa date back to the late 19th cent. They find expression in ase Mənilək's Circular Letter to the European Powers of April 1891, which defined the Ethiopian frontiers to which he aspired and announced that he intended to "re-occupy all ancient territories of Ethiopia as far as Kartum and Lake Niyānsā" [i.e. Lake Victoria] (Bairu Tafla 1981:217). After the conquest of Gamo Gofa in 1894, ras Wäldä Giyorgis and Bulatovich raised the Ethiopian flag at the northern tip of Lake / Turkana. However, Ethiopian activities reached as far as beyond River Turkwel in today's K. There, the adventurer fitawrari Baron Chedeuvre for a short time established an Ethiopian fort by the name of "Mənilək II" (Bulatovich 2000:344-48; Leontieff 1900:107; PankHist II, 195).

In the Anglo-Ethiopian treaty of 8 December 1907 ( Treaties), the two highland-based political entities, Ethiopia and colonial K., defined a boundary by dividing the marginal lowlands that lay between them (Hamilton 1974:345-92; Boundaries). Apart from being a necessary feature of modern statehood in the eyes of state-builders, this boundary (like the one with future Somalia) served the purpose of keeping rival powers, including Italy, at a distance from the core areas of K. Additionally, it facilitated the control of mounted Ethiopian raiders and poachers known as "Təgray", a group formed from diverse ethnic origins.

Kenya, relations with



Jomo Kenyatta on a state visit to Ethiopia, with ase Ḥaylā Səllase I; photo courtesy of the IES

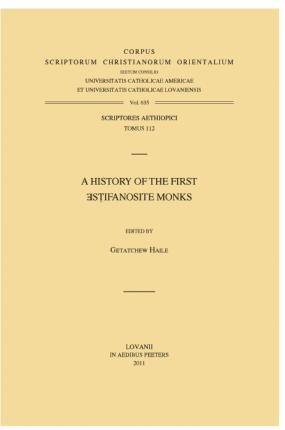
The Ethio-Kenyan boundary was instrumental in regulating citizens of both countries as they travelled from one territory to the other. The British distinguished between resident and alien Somali and repatriated some of the latter by force into Ethiopia. On the other hand, those Garre, who normally resided on the Kenyan side, under Hassan Gababa temporarily withdrew into Ethiopia to avoid taxation by the British. The zone on both sides of the common frontier was moreover largely unpoliced, with the result that British colonial administrators complained of "everlasting murderous raids across the Abyssinian frontier" (Mitchell 1954:271).

Relations between the two countries were correct, but hardly cordial, for the British were interested in partitioning Ethiopia. K.'s white settlers moreover disliked the concept of an independent African State. One of them, Lord Cranworth, described Mənilək's victory at the battle of Adwa as "the foulest crime" of the 19th cent., as it had destroyed the Ethiopians sense of "the superiority of the white man", and had prevented European access to the Ethiopian highlands, which "onwards to Addis Ababa" he considered "typically suitable for white settlement" (Cranworth 1939:149f., 167), In 1920. mediated colonialism through the British East Africa Company was abolished in favour of direct control, and the Protectorate was renamed K. Colony.

Throughout the colonial period, the focus of economic development and administrative effort was directed towards Uganda Railway, which connected Kampala and Nairobi to the port of Mombasa, and the fertile agricultural highlands found along this axis. It is noteworthy that through the history of Ethio-Kenyan relations, the frontier



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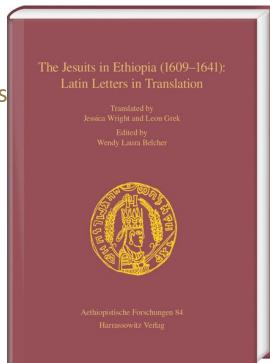
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