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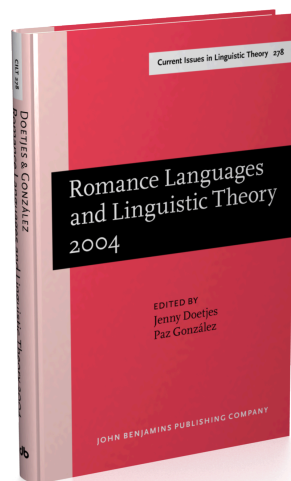
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INTRODUCTION

This volume brings together the selected proceedings of the eighteenth Symposium on Romance Linguistics ‘Going Romance’, which was held at Leiden University, 9-11 December 2004. The three day program included a workshop on Diachronic Syntax and Morphology”, complementing the workshop on Diachronic Phonology held in Nijmegen during Going Romance 2003.

Going Romance is an annual international conference organized by the Dutch university community involved in research on Romance languages. Since 1999 the selected proceedings of the conference are published in the series Romance Languages and Linguistic Theory.

The present volume contains a broad range of articles dealing not only with syntax and phonology, but also with morphology, semantics and acquisition of the Romance languages. We would like to thank everyone who contributed to the success of the 18th edition of Going Romance. A special word of thanks goes to Johan Rooryck and to Gea Hakker. Johan has been the chief organizer of the conference, and Gea made sure everything worked out the way it should.

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