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As is the case with any other natural language, the Ibero-Romance languages have entered in contact with diverse languages, due to their particular historical, geographical and political situations. The resulting diversification is apparent at the intercontinental, international, national and local level. Obvious examples are the European and Latin-American variants. Moreover, the colonialist and commercial endeavours that were undertaken in the previous centuries have contributed to the emergence of particular language contact situations over different continents, which have been an inexhaustible source of interesting language phenomena that have caught linguists’ attention. Therefore, the Ibero-Romance languages, as languages in contact and contrast with other languages, can be studied from various perspectives and within different approaches. In particular, interested researchers are kindly invited to present their work relating to the following issues:
Comparison of different varieties from the local to the intercontinental level (e.g. European, Latin-American, and African varieties, minority languages …)

Contrastive syntactic, semantic and/or pragmatic analyses of two or more (Ibero-) Romance languages (e.g. the study of cognates in syntax and in the lexicon such as, the diverging polysemy of similar lexemes, different grammaticalization paths, the contrastive study of grammatical constructions, the dative, …)

Linguistic fixation and standardization (cf. orthographic norms, language politics, etc.)

Language contact inside the Ibero-Romance area

Creole languages, Judeo-Spanish, Spanglish

Ibero-Romance case studies that show that language contact can both accelerate and slow down linguistic change

Case studies on the convergence or divergence of the Ibero-Romance languages

Grammaticalization due to language contact

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