

Language, region and economy

Workshop of the Philological Society to be held under the auspices of the Bristol Centre for Linguistics, University of the West of England (UWE)

5 November 2010, from 11.00-17.00

Speakers and papers:

11.00 Richard Coates (UWE): Welcome and introduction: Dialect, region, stigmata, identity, comedy (*with coffee*)

11.30 Clive Upton (Leeds): Issues of language variation: evidence on and in the BBC *Voices* website

12.30 Paul Kerswill (Lancaster), with Jenny Cheshire, Sue Fox and Eivind Torgersen: Contact, the feature pool and the speech community: The emergence of Multicultural London English

Lunch break

14.00 Joan C. Beal (Sheffield): Tourism and the commodification of language

15.00 Gertrud Reershemius (Aston): Reconstructing the past? Low German and the creating of regional identity in public language display (*with tea*)

16.00 Jannis Androutsopoulos (Hamburg): Vernacular spectacles: Displaying and debating dialect in participatory digital environments

17.00 Close