Glossing, the practice of annotating manuscripts between the lines and/or in the margins, was a widespread cultural practice wherever texts were being written, read, studied, and taught.

This event follows on from another held at the National University of Ireland, Galway, on 21–22 June 2018. Like the previous event, this two-day conference aims to bring together specialists from a large variety of fields to discuss aspects of glossing—in all its forms—from a comparative perspective. The organizing Network for the Study of Glossing (http://www.glossing.org/) connects scholars of glossing phenomena in a wide range of languages currently including Arabic, Breton, Chinese, German, Greek, Egyptian, English, French, Hebrew, Hittite, Irish, Japanese, Korean, Latin, Norse, Sanskrit, Syriac, Turkish, and Welsh.

We welcome participation from any researcher with an interest in glossing and related practices—regardless of language, region, or period. This includes possible themes such as glosses as discourse, glossing as evidence for reading strategies, glossing and translation, glossing scripture, glossing the law, commentary & transmission, glossing systems, editing glosses, and the comparison of crosscultural glossing practices.

A particular focus this time will be the way in which glosses are defined within the different traditions, what terminology is used to describe them and their functions, and, finally, the question whether a common terminology and typology could be developed to describe glossing traditions in general. It is envisaged that several sessions on the second day of the conference will be dedicated to this particular theme.

Papers should last 20 minutes, allowing 10 minutes for discussion. Papers and abstracts can be delivered in English, French, German, Italian, and Spanish, as long as a handout or PowerPoint presentation is provided in English.

Please send a title and abstract (250 words max) to Alderik Blom (blom@staff.uni-marburg.de) by 15 January 2019.

Some limited financial assistance for travel and accommodation will be available.