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Curriculum Vitae prof. dr. W.J.R. Martin

Born at Roeselare (Belgium) in 1941. Studied Germanic Philology at the University of Leuven (1960-1964) and Quantitative Linguistics at the Sorbonne (1970). Wrote a PhD on the 'Analysis of a Vocabulary by means of a Computer' (Leuven, 1970). Lecturer and later Associate Professor in Quantitative, Computational and English Linguistics (Universities of Leuven and Antwerpen).

Since 1988, full Professor of Lexicology in the Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam (The Netherlands). Has published up till now some 200 books/articles/reports mainly in the fields of (Computational) Lexicology and Terminology.

Since 1984 editor-in-chief of the Van Dale English-Dutch, Dutch-English translation dictionaries (the largest of their kind in the Low Countries).

Since 1993 president of a binational (Flemish-Dutch) Committee promoting and supervising the construction of some 20 bilingual databases with Dutch as a source and/or target language a.o. such languages as Danish, Arabic, Hungarian, Indonesian, Portuguese, etc. Databases and tools developed under my supervision include, among others, the RBN (Reference Database of Dutch), the RBBN (Reference Database of Belgian Dutch, together with Prof. W. Smedts (KU Leuven), OMBI (tool to edit and reverse bilingual lexical databases), Dilemma (tagger/lemmatizer for English), D-Tale (tagger/lemmatizer for Dutch) and Wordtranslator (tool to automatically translate/disambiguate English into Dutch at word level).