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The Evolution of the Concentualisation of Translation in TS

Shaking the Tree of Holmes

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Abstract: The map of Holmes has been so guiding for the discipline of translation studies in the past half a century, that it sometimes seemed to acquire the mythical function of a tree of life, with clearly structured branches that provided eternal support for researchers. Nevertheless, in the beginning of the 21st century there are quite some new tendencies and practices that question Holmes' seminal structuring. This becomes particularly visible in our post-print era, with its boom of transmedial text production and reproduction, such as in offshoots, spinoffs, co-writings, adaptations, and recontextualizations. This reshuffles the relationship between interlingual, intralingual, intersemiotic, and even intrasemiotic forms of translation. Text rewritings and remediations are no longer considered second-hand, but products with a high degree of originality and invention. Within this conceptual framework of transmediality, this guest lecture will look at the accompanying challenges and pitfalls for the discipline of translation studies.



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