Propositional Anaphora in English

In this talk I will discuss propositional anaphora in English. There are many expressions that can be used to refer back to a proposition in English. In this talk, I will focus on the uses of *so* as a propositional anaphor. We will build on Meijer's 2022 recent analysis of *so* as a pronominal adverb that is subject to discourse conditions on its use. Meijer proposes to derive the distribution of *so* from a presupposition that relates the proposition *so* picks up to the table of the context, in the sense of Farkas and Bruce 2010. I will propose a refinement of Meijer's presupposition on the basis of *so*'s interaction with local context. I will also further pursue the subjectivity of uses of propositional *so* that are suggested by interpretational differences between *so* and other propositional anaphors in embedded environments.