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Ideology, Power and Religious Change in Antiquity, 3000 BC – AD 600

Göttingen, Germany, 20–24 July 2015

Archäologisches Institut, Nikolausberger Weg 15

Programme

20 July 2015

PUBLIC - 1

- 8:30 – 9:00 Registration
- 9:00 – 9:30 Welcome by the President of the Georg-August-Universität Göttingen (Ulrike Beisiegel), and the Dean of the Faculty of Humanities (Johannes Bergemann)
- 9:30 – 9:45 Welcome and introduction (Gösta Gabriel and Erika Manders)
- 9:45 – 10:00 Gösta Gabriel (Göttingen) - Mythology, royal ideology, and redaction criticism. The interplay between the Sumerian King List and the Flood Story
- 10:00 – 10:15 Erika Manders (Göttingen) - Coins and Christianity: the 'persecution issues' of Maximinus Daia in context

PUBLIC - 2

10:15 – 10:45 Coffee break

10:45 – 11:45 Keynote lecture: Piotr Steinkeller (Harvard) – The divine rulers of Akkade and Ur: toward a definition of the divination of kings in Ancient Mesopotamia

WORKING SESSION 1: ANCIENT MESOPOTAMIA

12:00 – 13:00 Erika Marsal (Vienna) – Royal ideology in the time of Isin and Larsa

13:00 – 14:30 Lunch break

14:30 – 15:30 Gina Konstantopoulos (Michigan) – Religion, politics, and the periphery: representations and utilizations of the gods in the Mesopotamian frontier

15:30 – 16:30 Coffee break and guided tour
(Plaster cast collection, Georg-August-Universität Göttingen)

16:30 – 17:30 Shana Zaia (Yale) – Cults and capitals: royal cities and religion in the Neo-Assyrian Empire

19:00 Dinner (Gaststätte Paulaner)

21 July 2015

PUBLIC

10:00 – 11:00 Keynote lecture: Eckart Frahm (Yale) – Philology, politics, performance, and natural philosophy: Interpretations of the Babylonian Epic of Creation in the first millennium BCE

11:00 – 11:30 Coffee break

WORKING SESSION 2: ANCIENT ANATOLIA, LEVANT AND IRAN

- 11:30 – 11:45 Introductory remarks (Gösta Gabriel)
- 11:45 – 12:45 Annick Payne (Basel) – Propaganda or new religious language? The Hieroglyphic inscriptions of the late Hittite Empire reconsidered
- 12:45 – 14:00 Lunch break
- 14:00 – 15:00 Guided city tour (Heinz-Günther Nesselrath)
- 15:00 – 16:00 Sofia Salo (Münster) – The Royal Psalm 72 as an example for changes in royal ideology
- 16:00 – 16:30 Coffee break
- 16:30 – 17:30 Shervin Farridnejad (Berlin) – Kings and clerics. Ideology, power and religious authority in the ancient Iranian world: a Zoroastrian view

22 July 2015

PUBLIC

10:00 – 11:00 Keynote lecture: Paola Ceccarelli (Cambridge) – Religion and communication in the Seleucid kingdom

11:00 – 11:30 Coffee break

WORKING SESSION 3A: FOREIGN CULTS/RELIGIONS IN CLASSICAL ANTIQUITY

- 11:30 – 11:45 Introductory remarks (Gösta Gabriel)
- 11:45 – 12:45 Jason Silverman (Helsinki) – Prophecy as medium for negotiating religion and secular authority
- 12:45 – 14:15 Lunch break
- 14:15 – 15:15 Stephan Prütting (Münster) – A matter of foreign policy? The cult of the Thracian goddess Bendis in Athens
- 15:30 – 21:00 Excursion to Bergpark Wilhelmshöhe (Kassel)

23 July 2015

PUBLIC

10:00 – 11:00 Keynote lecture: Olivier Hekster (Nijmegen) – Anchoring religious change: faces of power and problems of understanding

11:00 – 11:30 Coffee break

WORKING SESSION 3B: FOREIGN CULTS/RELIGIONS IN CLASSICAL ANTIQUITY

11:30 – 11:45 Introductory remarks (Erika Manders)

11:45 – 12:45 Michèle Meijer (Amsterdam) – Roman attitudes towards the *galli* of Magna Mater: a cross-cultural approach

12:45 – 14:15 Lunch break

WORKING SESSION 4: GREECE AND ROME

14:15 – 15:15 Lydia Kappa (Berlin) – A “Game of Thrones”: legitimate power and the political propaganda of the Antigonid dynasty

15:15 – 16:15 Coffee break and walk through the Old Botanical Garden

16:15 – 17:15 Sophie Röder (Frankfurt) – Valerian, Gallienus and Christians: continuities, changes and pragmatics of imperial communication in the third century AD

19:30 Dinner (Boccardo – Cucina & Vini)

24 July 2015

PUBLIC

10:00 – 11:00 Keynote lecture: Carlos Noreña (Berkeley) – Religion, representation, and distributional politics under Severus Alexander

11:00 – 11:30 Coffee break

WORKING SESSION 5: THE BYZANTINE EMPIRE

- 11:30 – 11:45 Introductory remarks (Erika Manders)
- 11:45 – 12:45 Patrick Brimioulle (Frankfurt) – Strategies, possibilities and limits of enforcing theological formulas: the examples of the emperors Anastasius (491 – 518) and Justinian (527 – 565)
- 12:45 – 14:15 Lunch break
- 14:15 – 15:15 Pavla Gkantziou Drapelova (Athens) – The expression of power, ideology and Christianity on coins of the Justinian dynasty (518 – 602)
- 15:15 – 16:15 Vangelis Maladakis (Thessaloniki) – Propaganda and numismatic iconography in the twilight of the Roman world. The long sixth century (518 – 602)
- 16:15 – 16:30 Closing session (Gösta Gabriel and Erika Manders)