

Transmitting and Circulating the Late Antique and **Byzantine Worlds**

The Oxford University Byzantine Society's 19th International Graduate Conference 24th - 25th February 2017 History Faculty, Oxford **********

Friday 24th February 2017 ***********

09:00

Registration

09:30

Mirela Ivanova (OUBS President) Opening Remarks

1a. Unstable Materials **Chair: Sydney Taylor**

Hugh Jeffery

(Lincoln College, Oxford)

Observations on the Procurement, Transformation and Deployment of Ancient

Marble in Medieval Aphrodisias

Aubrey Young

(Wolfson College, Oxford)

Churches in Um el-Jimal, Jordan: Public, Domestic or somewhere in-between?

Anita Paolicchi

(Università di Firenze)

Between Venice and Constantinople: Silver Vessels witnessing the Coexistence of Different Visual Models

1b. Spaces of Textuality **Chair: Matthew Kinloch**

Jovana Andjelkovic

(University of Belgrade)

Mauropous' letter 64 as a reversed arrival speech

Péter Tamás Bara

(University of Szeged and Westphälische Wilhelms-Universtität Münster) Why to circulate family accounts? The testimony of Anna Komnene's Alexiad

Milan Vukasinovic

(University of Belgrade) On the Road with Adventurers and Pilgrims: Narrativisation of the Byzantine

Space in the 13th century

12:00

2a. Power: between centre and

periphery?

Chair: Andrew Small

Benjamin Kybett

(Magdalen College, Oxford)

The Transmission of Power in Symmachus'

Relationes

Jack Roskilly

(University Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne) The circulation of bishops between

Constantinople and provinces

Milena Repajić

(University of Belgrade)

Appropriation of a new power-discourse in Medieval Serbia: Stefan Nemanja and

Manuel Komnenos

2b. The Pilgrim's Travels

Chair: Adele Curness

Katinka Sewing

A new cult for late antique Ephesus.

Transportation of religious ideas in western

Asia Minor

(Heidelberg University/ANAMED, Koç

University Istanbul)

Tomasz Pełech

(University of Wrocław and Université

Blaise Pascal Clermont Ferrand II)

Transmission of the Saints' cult - the case of

Saint Mammes

Grace Stafford

(Wolfson College, Oxford)

Evidence for Female Pilgrims at Abu Mina

13:30

Lunch

14:30

3a. Moving Things Chair: Hugh Jeffery

Anna Kelley

(University of Birmingham)

Life on the Edge: Economics of a Marginal

Trade Network in Egypt

Andrew Small

(Exeter College, Oxford)

From the halls of Tadmakka to the shores of

Sicily': Byzantine Italy and sub-Saharan

Africa in the eleventh century

Matteo Randazzo

(University of Edinburgh)

From the centre to the western periphery: the evidence of Byzantine Sgraffito Glazed Wares in Sicily (11th-12th centuries). A case study into cultural and socio-economic

connections?

3b. Circulation and Information Chair: Roberta Bernardi

Roberta Berardi

(Lady Margaret Hall, Oxford)

The lexicon Suda and the transmission of lost Hellenistic oratory

Panagiotis Manafis

(University of Ghent)

The politics of ethnography in tenth-century

compilation literature

Daniele Morrosi

(University of Leeds)

Further remarks on the dating of Alexios I's

chrysobull for Venice

16:00

Coffee Break

16:30

4a. Byzantium in the Caucasus

Chair: Nicholas Matheou

Stephanie Forrest

(St Stephen's House, Oxford)

Politics on the Eastern Periphery: Justinian

II, the Council of Theodosiopolis, and Byzantine policy in Armenia, 685-695

Kosuke Nakada

(University of Tokyo)

The Apostles Peter and Paul in Kogovit:

The Role of Relics in Tenth-Century

Byzantine-Armenian Relations

Michael Burling

(University of Birmingham)

Unravelling the Threads: Armenian Textiles

in the High Medieval Period

4b. Religious Missions and Missionaries

Chair: Nicholas Ttofis

Bogdan-Gabriel Draghici

(University of Leuven)

Missions in the Byzantine and East Syriac

Churches During the Late 8th and

Beginning of the 9th Centuries: Two

Different Models?

David Barritt

(St Cross College, Oxford)

Cyril, Methodius, and the conversion of the Moravians

Octavian Adrian Negoita

(Central European University)

Writing against Islam in the Ottoman

Empire: Pachomios Rousanos (1508-1553)

Wine Reception & Launch of the two new **OUBS Volumes**

Followed by informal dinner

Saturday 25th February 2017

09:00

Registration & Coffee

10:00

5a. Negotiating with the Other Chair: Edward Zychowicz-Coghill

Evan Andersson

(King's College, London)

"TON ΠΝΕΥΜΑΤΙΚΟΝ ΑΔΕΛΦΟΝ: The Language of Hierarchy in Byzantine Diplomacy"

Matthew Barber

(University of Edinburgh)

Fatimid interactions with Byzantium after the emergence of the Seljuqs: an intertextual analysis.

Alasdair Grant

(University of Edinburgh)

Aichmalosia: Coercion, Detention and the Travelling Plea between Byzantium and its Neighbours, c.1204-1453

5b. Documents of Change Chair: David Barritt

Jakub Sawicki

(Linacre College, Oxford)

Roman law in transmission – Isidore's of Seville book V of the Etymologiae (De legibus)

Jacques Beauseroy

(Université Paris-Sorbonne)

Bequeathing estates in 11th century

Byzantium: the drawing up and execution of

wills in the Peira

Aikaterini Vavaliou

(Wadham College, Oxford)

Sea Routes of Architecture in the Middle Byzantine period. The case of Venice.

11:30

Coffee Break

12:00

6a. Moving Orthodoxy Chair: Mirela Ivanova

Nicholas Ttofis

(Blackfriars Hall, Oxford)

Anti-anthropomorphite precedents in Pseudo-Macarius: Highlighting the circulation of anti-anthropomorphite ideas outside of Egypt in 4th Century Syria

David Eichert

(Central European University)

Nos in Africanis partibus commorantes "those of us residing in Africa": North

Africa and its Connectivity with Constantinople during the Three Chapters Controversy and the Fifth Ecumenical Council

Carl Dixon

(University of Nottingham)

Between East Rome and Armenia: Who were the Paulicians anyway?

6b. Moving and Compiling Texts Chair: Dr Kirsty Stewart

Giulia Paoletti

(Exeter College, Oxford)

Between Vergil and Metaphrastes: the fate of a collection of oracles

Carole Hofstetter

(École Pratique des Hautes Études, Paris)
Circulation and transmission of texts of the
Late Antique during the Middle Ages: the
case of Proclus' Commentary on Plato's
Timaeus

Elena Spangenberg Yanes (University of Rome La Sapienza) From Constantinople to Carolingian Europe: glosses and corrections of the Greek in Priscian's manuscripts

13:30

Lunch

14:30

7a. Transmitting Stories Chair: Dr Alexandra Vukovich

Alex MacFarlane

(Linacre College, Oxford)

"Alexander said clearly": Complexity in the Transmission of Alexander to Armenia

Edward Zychowicz-Coghill

(Worcester College, Oxford)

Naturalising the Islamic Alexander: epistemology and the transmission of late antique traditions into Arabic

Nathalie Gier

(St Stephen's House)

The Portrayal of the Byzantines in the Turkish Epics

7b. Understanding the Material World Chair: Philip Atkins

Marko Jelusic

(Albert-Ludwigs-Universität Freiburg) Artists or archivists? A Late antique tomb sheds new light on the source value of the Notitia Dignitatum

Valentina De Pasca

(Università degli Studi di Milano)

A Shield Boss in Gilded Bronze from Nocera Umbra: the complexity of the study of a

unicum

Aleksandra Krauze-Kołodziej

(University of Lublin)

Both the East and the West. Latin and Byzantine tradition in the complex mosaic decoration from Torcello

16:00

Coffee Break

16:00

8a. Moving People

Chair: Nathalia Gier

Julia Burdajewicz

(University of Warsaw)

Travelling painters' workshops in the Late Antique and Early Byzantine Levant

Adele Curness

(St John's College, Oxford)

Slavery outside the 'slave trade': the traffic in peoples between Byzantine Calabria and the Islamic World

Nicholas Matheou

(Pembroke College, Oxford)

Armenians in East Roman Cappadocia, c.900-1071

Settlement, the State Apparatus and the Material Reproduction of Ethnicity

8b. Instability Inside the Text Chair: Benjamin Kybett

Jakub Wolak

(University of Warsaw)

Distortion and Clarification: Vague Aspects of Origen's Cosmology in the Light of 6th Century De Sectis

Marton Rozsa

(Eötvös Loránd University)

The transmission of ideas to Byzantine metrical seals in the "long" twelfth century

Julie Boeten

(University of Ghent)

The Travelling of Imagery: a cognitive analysis of the meter of two medieval colophons

18:00

Closing Remarks

18:30

Wine Reception

20:30

Conference Dinner