

**MELAMMU WORKSHOP 3:
ROUTES AND TRAVELLERS BETWEEN EAST AND WEST:
CULTURAL EXCHANGE IN THE ANCIENT WORLD
22-23.03.2017**

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PROGRAMME

DAY 1 - 22/03/2017 9.00-16.30

- 9.00-9.30 OPENING

I. Routes between East and West (Chairperson: P. Corò):

- **9.30-10.00 I.1.** Through the Middle Sea: An Overview of the Main Mediterranean Sea-Routes in Antiquity (CH. SCHAEFER & P. WARNKING, UNIVERSITY OF TRIER)
- **10.00-10.30 I.2.** The Knights of the Ocean: The Phoenicians between East and West (B. MORSTADT, UNIVERSITY OF BOCHUM)
- **10.30-11.00 I.3.** Landroutes between East and West: Silk and Silkworms' Importing from China to *Byzantium*: Merchants and Trade Routes during Justinian's Reign (M. CHIRIATTI, LMU UNIVERSITY, MUNICH)

11.00-11.30 COFFEE BREAK

- **11.30-12.00 I.4.** Commercial Routes and Military Routes (A. PACI, SORBONNE UNIVERSITY)
- **12.00-12.30 I.5.** Informal Networks of Exchange at the End of the Middle Bronze Period in North-East Africa and the Red Sea: their Economic and Political Impact in Egypt (J. C. MORENO, CNRS-PARIS)

12.30-14.30 LUNCH BREAK

II. From West to East (Chairperson: R. Da Riva):

1. Cuneiform Sources:

- **14.30-15.00 II.1.1.** Greek Travellers in Neo-Assyrian and Neo-Babylonian Sources (P. CORÒ, UNIVERSITY OF VENICE)
- **15.00-15.30 II.1.2.** Campaign Routes to Mesopotamia, from Alexander to Crassus (J. MONERIE, SORBONNE UNIVERSITY)

2. Classical Sources (Part 1):

- **15.30-16.00 II.2.1.** Religious Networks and Cultural Exchange. Some Possible Cases from the Eastern Mediterranean (I. RUTHERFORD, UNIVERSITY OF READING)
- **16.00-16.30. II.2.2.** The Sage's *Lehrjahre* (J. PÒRTULAS, UNIVERSITY OF BARCELONA)

DAY 2 - 23/03/2017 9.30-17.30

II. From West to East (Chairperson: R. Da Riva):

2. Classical Sources (Part 2):

- **9.30-10.00 II.2.3.** Around the 10.000: Greek Armies in the East (CH. TUPLIN, UNIVERSITY OF LIVERPOOL)
- **10.00-10.30 II.2.4.** Greek Merchants and Businessmen in the East (K. RUFFING, UNIVERSITY OF KASSEL)

10.30-11.00 COFFEE BREAK

III. From East to West (Chairperson: B. Morstadt):

1. Cuneiform Sources:

- **11.00-11.30 III.1.1.** Going West According to Neo-Assyrian Sources (G. LANFRANCHI, UNIVERSITY OF PADOVA)
- **11.30-12.00. III.1.2.** Neo-Babylonians in the West: the Documentary Sources (PH. CLANCIER & D. AGUT, SORBONNE UNIVERSITY)
- **12.00-12.30 III.1.3.** The Conquest of the Far West: the Mediterranean Lands in the Neo-Assyrian and Neo-Babylonian Political Programs (R. ROLLINGER, UNIVERSITY OF INNSBRUCK)

12.30-15.00 LUNCH BREAK

2. Classical Sources:

- **15.00-15.30 III.2.1.** The Orient and the Orientals in Greek and Roman Sources: the Sassanids (C. BUENACASA, UNIVERSITY OF BARCELONA)
- **15.30-16.00 III.2.2.** Assyrians and Babylonians in Classical Sources (S. FINK, UNIVERSITY OF INNSBRUCK)

IV. Workshop Conclusion: Comparative Thoughts and Final Discussion (16.00-17.30)