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CONFERENCE PROGRAM

CENTRAL EUROPEAN UNIVERSITY, BUDAPEST

MAY 30–JUNE 1, 2013

— MAY 30 —

CEU OKTOGON

15–16: Registration

POPPER ROOM

16: Welcoming Remarks

Prof. Katalin Szende (Central European University)

Prof. Niels Gaul (Central European University)

16–18: SESSION I

Chair: Prof. Rubina Raja (Aarhus University)

Nenad Marković (University of Belgrade)

Summissis admugit cornibus Apis: A Few Notes about Disappearance of the Last Sacred Bull Apis

Nirvana Silnović (University of Zagreb)

Tradition and Transformation: On the Iconography of the Mithraic Tondo from Salona

Branka Vranešević (University of Belgrade)

The Image of Paradise on Early Byzantine Floor Mosaics on the Territory of Present-Day Serbia

Pavla Gkantzios Drapelova (University of Athens)

Visual Parallels between Iconoclasts and Jews in Byzantine Psalters

18–19.30: KEYNOTE LECTURE

PROF. RUBINA RAJA (Aarhus University)

*Marking Religious Identity in Eastern Mediterranean Late Antique Urban Landscapes:
Churches as Signs of Cultural Continuity and Change*

— MAY 31 —

POPPER ROOM

9–11: SESSION II

Chair: Prof. Gábor Buzási (Central European University & ELTE Budapest)

Máté Veres (Central European University)

Uses and Misuses of the Common Concepts Strategy in Emperor Julian's *Contra Galilaeos*

Jessica van 't Westeinde (Durham University)

Questioning Authority: Christian Education Leading to Lay Participation in Doctrinal Debates

James Richard Norrie (University of Oxford)

Sanctity and Dissent: Contesting Holy Bodies and Holy Spaces in the City of Ambrose

Christian Hoffarth (Hamburg University)

Peter of John Olivi's Image of "Ecclesia Primitiva" and Papal Stake Burnings. Exegetical Rewriting of Early Church History as Formative Factor of Heterodoxies in Southern France Around 1300

11–11:30: Coffee Break

11:30–13:30: SESSION III

Chair: Prof. Johannes Preiser-Kapeller (Austrian Academy of Sciences, Vienna)

Avraham Yoskovich (The Hebrew University of Jerusalem & Heidelberg University)

The Cock-Crow in Late Antiquity: Terminology and Cultural Interactions

Hajnalka Tamás (University of Leuven)

Martyrdom and Episcopal Authority: The Bishop-Martyr in Pannonian Hagiography

Maël Goarzin (University of Lausanne & EPHE, Paris)

Late Antique Biography as an Authoritative Literary Form in Terms of Practical Ethics

Arkadi Avdokhin (King's College London)

Early Byzantine Hagiography on Hymns: (Liturgical) Chant between Rhetoric and Contested Practices

13:30–15.00: Lunch Break

15.00–17.30: SESSION IV

Chair: Prof. Niels Gaul (Central European University)

Péter Tamás Bara (Central European University)

Eustathios of Thessalonike as *Metaphrastēs*: The *Life of Philotheos of Opsikion*

Jonas J. H. Christensen (University of Southern Denmark)

Aspects of Structure and Intention in the *Diegesis Merike* of Nikephoros Blemmydes

Petros Bouras-Vallianatos (King's College London)
The Palaiologan Scholar and His Audience: the Case of John Zacharias Aktouarios

Annika Sylvia Elisabet Asp-Talwar (University of Birmingham)
Religion and Biography in the *Periegesis* by Andrew Libadenos

Taisiya Belyakova (Russian Academy of Sciences & Max Planck Institute for European Legal History)
Peculiarities of Female Patronage on Mt Athos

17.30–18: Coffee Break

18–19.30: KEYNOTE LECTURE

PROF. ALBRECHT BERGER (Ludwig Maximilians University, Munich)

Re-Writing the Urban History of Constantinople

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9–11: SESSION V

Chair: Prof. Mihailo Popović (Austrian Academy of Sciences, Vienna)

Ellis Nicholas (University of Oxford)
The Hermeneutic of Testing

Nils Hallvard Korsvoll (MF Norwegian School of Theology)
Uncertain Religious Identities: The Use of Biblical References in Syriac Incantation Bowls

Nikoloz Aleksidze (University of Oxford)
Three “Heretical” Men and a Dog: The Oral Narratives of the Caucasian Schism

Daniel Picus (Brown University)
The Martyr and the Sage: Stoicism and Resistance between Palestine and Babylonia

11–11:30: Coffee Break

11:30–13.30: SESSION VI

Chair: Prof. Aziz Al-Azmeh (Central European University)

Ivan Marić (Central European University)
Consent between Word and Image: The Personification of Byzantine Imperial Ideology on Coins of Romanos I and in Letters of Nicholas I Mystikos

Josef Shovanec (New Europe College, Bucharest & EHESS, Paris)

Consent Behind Dissent: Muslim and Jewish Mysticism in the Medieval Mediterranean, Suhrawardi and the Kabbalah

Mikayel Hovhannisyan (Yerevan State University)

Adaptation of Concepts of Antiquity in Medieval Muslim Social Philosophy on the Example of the *Epistles of Brethren of Purity*

13.30–15: Lunch Break

15–17.30: SESSION VII

Chair: Prof. Albrecht Berger (Ludwig Maximilians University, Munich)

Márton Rósa (ELTE Budapest)

“Second-Tier Aristocracy” in the Early Komnenian Period

Roman Shlyakhtin (Central European University)

A Holy Weapon against the Turks: The Description of the Sword of Alexios Kontostephanos by Theodore Prodromos

AnnaLinden Weller (University of Oxford)

Transmittable Apocalypses: Byzantine Diplomatic Letters and Latin Eschatology during the First Crusade

Nicola Bergamo (EHESS, Paris)

Games in Byzantium between Tradition and Transformation

Christos Malatras (University of Birmingham)

The Byzantines in the Twelfth Century: the Construction of an Identity

17.30–18: Coffee Break

18–19.30: KEYNOTE LECTURE

PROF. PHILIP WOOD (Aga Khan University, London)

Khusrau II Aparavaz and the Christians of His Empire (c.585–630)

Concluding Remarks

Prof. Volker Menze (Central European University)

21.00: Dinner for Speakers

Trófea Grill Restaurant, Király utca 30–32, VI District
