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Late Rome, Byzantium *and the* Early Medieval West



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annual meeting

Vienna, 1-2 June 2015

Monday Morning

Session 1
9:30 - 11:00 • **Late Antique Christian Discourse**

Matthieu Pignot (Oxford), **The Forgotten Majority:** Catechumens and Changing Categorization in Late Antique Christianity

Christoph Begass (Mainz), **An Early Age of Confession?** 'Confession' and Career of the Eastern Senatorial Aristocracy in the Time of the Acacian Schism (A.D. 484–519)

André Fischer (Berlin), **Christian Religious Disputes in the 5th and 6th Centuries:** The Conferences of Carthage 411 and 484

Coffee break

Session 2
11:30 - 13:00 • **Pastoral Care and the Veneration of Saints**

Pia Bockius (Berlin), **The Partitioning of Relics in Gregory of Tours**

Birgit Kynast (Mainz), **The Penitential Questionnaire in the Decretum Burchardi and Its Early Medieval Predecessors**

Giulia Rossetto (Vienna), **The Sinai Euchologia Written on Recycled Parchment:** Communities of Production and Use

Lunch break 13:00-14:30

Monday Afternoon

Session 3
14:30 - 16:00 • **Hagiography: East and West**

Merle Eisenberg (Princeton), **Saints' Lives and the (Re)-Making of Local Communities in Fifth Century Southern Gaul**

Jennifer Chaloner (Oxford), **What Makes a Saint?** The Curious Case of St. John Cassian

Lucy Parker (Oxford), **Beyond Hagiography:** A holy Man in His Own Words – Symeon Stylites the Younger

Coffee break

Session 4
16:30 - 18:00 • **Dealing with Conflict and Creating Commitment**

Anna Dolganov (Vienna), **The Rise of the Legal Profession in the Roman Empire**

Christian Barthel (Berlin), **Fraying Around the Edges:** The Military Reforms of Anastasius I. in Libya Superior

Ian Ward (Princeton), **The Reception of Carolingian Oath Texts in the 10th Century**

19:00 Conference Dinner at Restaurant Sperl (only for Delegates)

Tuesday Morning

Session 5
9:30 - 11:00 • **Archaeology ... and the Steppe**

Frederic Theis (Mainz), **Where Individual Meets Community:** Considerations on the Symbolic Meaning of Roman Naval Mosaics in Late Antique villae

Joe Ricci (Princeton), **Rome and the Western Steppe:** History and Archaeology in Late Antiquity

Nick Evans (Oxford), **Naphtha, Slaves and Khazar Camels:** The 9th/10th-Century North Caucasus

Coffee break

Session 6
11:30 - 13:00 • **Rulers and Identities in Late Antiquity and Early Medieval Europe**

Matthias Sandberg (Berlin), **... quod non solent reges?** Establishing *humilitas* as a Virtue of the *imperator christianus*

Maria Nezbeda (Vienna), **Ethnicity and Kinship in Early Medieval Europe:** The Use of Kinship Terminology in the *Getica*

Philipp Dörler (Vienna), **Antiquissima gens Gothorum:** The Goths and their Faith in Gothic Historiography

Lunch break 13:00-14:00

Tuesday Afternoon

Session 7
14:00 - 15:30 • **The Islamic Impact on the Late Antique and Medieval World**

James Wakeley (Oxford), **Arabs on the March?** A Reassessment of the History and Historiography of the Arab Conquests

Cecilia Palombo (Princeton), **The 'Correspondence of Leo III and 'Umar II':** Leo the Isaurian in an Apologetic Arabic Work from the Early Abbasid Period

Lorenzo Bondiolo (Princeton), **Islamic Bari Between the Aghlabids and the Two Empires**

Coffee break

Session 8
16:00 - 17:30 • **Remembering Byzantium**

Max Ritter (Mainz), **Good Faith Economy?** Interdependencies between Byzantine Pilgrimage Centers and their Spheres of Influence

Krystina Kubina (Vienna), **Did Manuel Philes Write 'Begging Poetry'?** The 'Rhetoric of Poverty' and Problems of Genre

Lee Mordechai (Princeton), **Remembering Byzantium:** The Ashes of an Empire

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