









MINORITIES AT THE EDGE OF EMPIRES

Deva, 01-08.09.2019 Museum of Dacian and Roman Civilization Curia Magna Room This conference is organized in Co-operation with (in alphabetical order):

Academy of Finland Centre of Excellence Ancient Near East and Empires (Helsinki), Academy of Finland Centre of Excellence Changes in Sacred Texts and Traditions (Helsinki), Department of Research of the Faculty of History, Al. I. Cuza University (Iasi), Institute for the History of Ancient Civilizations (Changchung), Museum of Dacian and Roman Civilisation (Deva), National Museum of Romanian History (Bucharest).

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02.09.2019

09.00 - 09.30: Registration

09.30 - 10.00: Official Opening

10.00-10.30: Coffee break

Session 1: Empires, Borders, and Minorities – concepts and methods

(Chairman: Mihaela Simion)

10.30 – 11.30: Keynote: Jason Silverman (Helsinki): Ruling Minorities in the Ancient Near East

11.30 – 12.15: Peeter Espak (Tartu): Nations, minorities and tribes in the world-view of the first recorded empires in human history

12.15 – 13.00: Holger Mölder and Vladimir Sazonov (Tallinn): Information warfare and minorities on the borders of empires: comparative approaches from Ancient Near East to contemporary *Pax Russica*

13.00 - 15.00: Lunch break

15.00 – 15.45: Caroline Wallis (Helsinki): How to conceptualize minorities in antiquity?

15.45 – 16.30: Elisabeth Günther (Erlangen): Exporting actors? Theatre-related objects at the edges of the Greek World

16.30 – 17.15: Sven Günther (Changchun): *Beneficium in iniuriam vertitur*? The Impact of Minorities on Roman Law

03.09.2019

Session 2: Border Provinces of the Roman Empire

(Chairman: Sebastian Fink)

09.00 – 10.00: Keynote: Lucretiu Birliba (Iasi): Minorities in the rural world. Reflections on rural population at the edge of the Roman empire: Moesia inferior

10.00 – 10.45: Roxana-Gabriela Curcă (Iasi): Linguistic Minorities from Moesia Inferior

10.45 - 11. 15: Coffee break

- 11.15 12.00: Mihaela Simion, Debal Vleja, Ionut Bocan, Mihaela Cătălina Neagu (Bucharest): About a long journey! A story from Alburnus Maior
- 12.00-12.45: Jiawei Wang (Changchun): Local Communities and their Neighbouring Military Camps in Africa Proconsularis during the Early Second Century AD
- 12.45- 13.30: Iulia Dumitrache, Dan-Alexandru Suharoschi (Iasi): Prosopographical notes on the population of Micia

13.30 – 15.00: Lunch break

- 15.00 15.45: Ionut Bocan, Catalina Mihaela Neagu, Mihaela Simion, Decebal Vleja (Bucharest), Imports from Lezoux to Micia (Veţel, Hunedoara County)
- 15.45 16.30: Mihaela Simion (Bucharest), Marius Barbu (Deva): Unknown and forgotten *cavatores gemmarum* at Micia.
- 16.30 17-15: Rada Varga (Cluj-Napoca): The material culture of the Batavian auxiliaries from Dacia. Case studies: two Rhenish face pots from Războieni-Cetate

04.09.2019

Session 3: Mesopotamia and the Levant

(Chairman: Iulia Dumitrache)

09.00 – 10.00: Pavel Cech (Prague): Survival through merchandise: comparable strategies of Assyriens, Ugaritians and Jews

10.00 – 10.45: Sebastian Fink (Helsinki): From Majority to Minority to Extinction: The Case of the Sumerians

10.45 - 11.15: Coffee break

11.15 – 12.00: Simonetta Ponchia (Verona): Countries and peoples at the eastern border of Assyria

12.00 – 12.45: Mait Koiv (Tartu): Greek poleis at the edge of the Anatolian powers (8th–6th centuries BC)

12.45 – 13.30: Andres Nõmmik (Helsinki): The relations between the migrants and the locals in the Early Iron Age Philistia

13.30 - 15.30: Lunch break

15.30 – 16.00: Final discussion

16.00 – 17.00-: Museum tour

05.09.2019: Excursion: Micia - Hunedoara

06.09.2019: Excursion: Hateg County

07.09.2019: Excursion: Alburnus Maior