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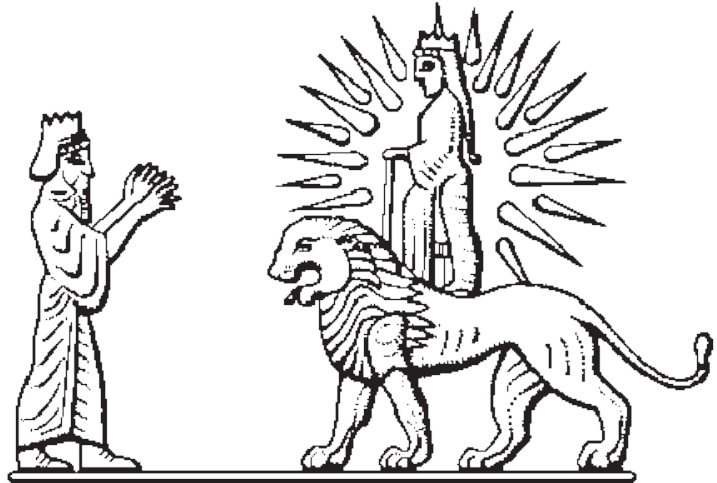
The Heritage of Mesopotamia and the Ancient Near East

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Letter of Introduction

Dear friends,
we hope you are well and, before a summer that we would like to spend as a pleasant and free period, send you a brief update of the activities of the Melammu project in the past, still difficult, months. At the end of May 2021 the workshop “The Good Shepherd” took place as a virtual meeting. It was a successful event although not taking place in Jerusalem as planned, and we are grateful to the conveners who decided to hold it in any case, thus providing contributors and participants with a highly appreciated occasion for enrichment and discussion. In the same days the board meeting was held in order to consider some issues that, had the situation been normal, would have been discussed during the annual symposium. Among them there was the election of the board which completes its term of service this year. Due to the situation and the impossibility of voting for a new board in the symposium assembly, as stated in our statutes, it has been agreed to postpone the election to the next symposium which is planned for

september 2022 in Graz. In the meanwhile, we trust in the cooperation of all who take part in the Melammu network to continue our activities.

Another important issue was the re-organization of the already planned symposia and workshops that had to be cancelled due to the pandemic. Some arrangements have still to be defined, but our aim is to find a date for all the meetings that had been previously planned and the new proposals. In the next years we will seemingly have a tight schedule and invite you to keep an eye to the website for updates that will be published as soon as possible. In October 2021 the workshop “Autocratic rule in Antiquity” took place in Krakow, in January 2022 the workshop “Shaping Boundaries in the Eastern Mediterranean” took place in Verona and in June 2022 the workshop “Creating the Woman in Antiquity” took place in Innsbruck.

We wish you a relaxing and happy summer,
Simonetta and Sebastian



Impressions from the Krakow meeting (2021)