

Melammu 13 (Wrocław, 13-16 May 2019): The Ancient Near Eastern Legacy and Alexander vs. Alexander's Legacy to the World

13 May 2019

9:00-9:30 Registration

9:30-9:45 Conference opening

9:45-10:30 Keynote: Simonetta Ponchia

10:30-13:00 Panel 1: Assyria/Babylonia (Sebastian Fink):

1. Kerstin Droß-Krüpe (Universität Kassel): "On the trail of Semiramis? Semiramis and Alexander III as rulers in Mesopotamia in Greek historiography"

2. Claudia Horst (Universität München), "Alexander the Great between Eastern and Western Philosophy".

11:30-11:45 coffee break

3. Sebastian Fink (University of Helsinki): "Alexander and Mesopotamian Royal ideology".

Sebastian Fink: response

12:30-14.30 lunch break and sightseeing of the University of Wrocław baroque building

14:30-17:30 Panel 2: Levant/Jews (Ory Amitay):

1. Kai Trampedach (Universität Heidelberg) – "Alexander and the creation of a Hellenic past in the Levant".

2. Jessica Nitschke (Stellenbosch University & University of Cape Town, S. Africa) – "The Alexander Sarcophagus as a Phoenician Commentary on the Macedonian Conquest".

3. Ory Amitay (University of Haifa, Israel) – "Cabbages to Kingship: the Strange Case of Abdalonymos of Sidon".

16:00-16:15 coffee break

4. Tal Ilan (Freie Universität, Berlin) – "Alexander in Jewish Onomastics in Antiquity".

5. Eyal Meyer (University of Haifa) – "The Peculiar Image of Alexander the Great in the Third Branch of the Hebrew Alexander-Romance".

Ory Amitay: response

17:30-17:45 coffee break

17:45-18:45 Newcomers panel:

Joanna Porucznik (University of Wrocław): "Heracles in a lion skin - connecting Alexander tetradrachms and Tauric Chersonesus".

Łukasz Szelaż (University of Wrocław): "Early-Hellenistic Boiotia – Philip's or Alexander's heritage?".

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9:00-11:00 Panel 3: Egypt (Ivan Ladynin):

1. Damien Agut-Labordère (Centre Nationale de la Recherche Scientifique, Paris): "Alexander in the Egyptian Western Desert: Historical Sources and Memories of the Trip to Siwah".
2. Hugh Bowden (King's College, London): "Alexander the Great and the Gods of Egypt".
3. Ivan Ladynin (Lomonosov Moscow State University): "The Stela Bucheum 2 (British Museum EA1697+1719): The Egyptian Perception of the Achaemenid Power and State under Alexander the Great".
4. Alan B. Lloyd (University of Swansea): "Timeo Danaos: A Study in Cultural Erosion".

11:00-11:15 Coffee break

11:15-12:00 Keynote: Robert Rollinger

12:00-13:00 Lunch break

13:00-14:45 panel 3: (Egypt) continued

5. Nenad Markovic (Czech Institute of Egyptology, Charles University, Prague): "Alexander the Great and the Apis Bull: the Memphite Religious Traditions on the Eve of the Macedonian Conquest".
6. Alexa Rickert (University of Tübingen/University of Münster): "The Sanctuary of Alexander in Karnak. Reflections on the Origin, Life and Afterlife of a Monument".
7. Melanie Wasmuth (University of Helsinki/University of Basel): "Cross-Regional Identity Display at the Dawn of a New Age? Legacies from Achaemenid Egypt".

Ivan Ladynin: response

15:00-16:00 Melammu Board Meeting

16:00-17:00 General meeting (Report and election of chair and board)

18:00-21:00 Social event (boat on the Odra river)

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9:00-9:45 Keynote: Nicholas Sekunda

9:45-13:15 Panel 4: Iran (Josef Wiesehöfer):

1. Rolf Strootman (University of Utrecht): "Alexander in between the Achaemenids and the Seleucids".

2. Milinda Hoo (University of Kiel/University of Freiburg): "Eastern Iran/Bactria in Early Hellenistic Times.

3. Pierfrancesco Callieri (University of Bologna/Ravenna): "The archaeology of Fars from Late Achaemenid to Early Hellenistic Times".

11:15-11:30 coffee break

4. Krzysztof Nawotka (University of Wrocław): "Alexander and the Macedonian and Iranian elites".

5. Julian Degen (Universität Innsbruck): "Alexander and Achaemenid structures. The career of Chares of Mytilene in perspective"

Josef Wiesehöfer: response

12:45-13:45 Lunch break

13:45-17:15 Panel 5: Army and veterans (Joseph Roisman):

1. Edward Anson (University of Arkansas, Little Rock): "After Opis: Alexander's Proposed New Model Army."

2. Sabine Müller (Universität Marburg): "Women, War, and Alexander's Veterans".

3. Marek Olbrycht (University of Rzeszów): "Desperate Resistance – Alexander and Achaemenid Defensive Strategies in the Uxian Land and at the Persian Gates (331/330 B.C.)"

15:15-15:30 Coffee break

4. Frances Pownall (University of Alberta): " Alexander versus his Veterans: The Greco-Roman Source Tradition on the "Orientalization" of Alexander's Army".

5. Joseph Roisman (Colby College): "Alexander, friendship and the military."

6. Tim Howe (St. Olaf College), "Ptolemy's commands in India".

Joseph Roisman: response

19:00 Banquet

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9:00-12:00 **Panel 6: Alexander Romance (Richard Stoneman):**

1. Richard Stoneman (University of Exeter): "Kalayavana, the Black Greek. A reflection of Alexander in Indian literature?"
2. Su Fang Ng (Virginia Tech.): "Alexander's Malay Heirs"
3. Christine Chism (UCLA): "Alexander at the Edge of Time".

10:30-10:45 Coffee break

4. Haila Manteghi (Universität Münster): "The Alexander Romance and the Mughal Court (16th/17th centuries)"

5. Julia Rubanovich (Hebrew University, Jerusalem): "Alexander in the folk Persian narrative Dārāb-nāma of Tarsusi"

Richard Stoneman: response

12:00-13:00 Lunch break

13:00-16:30 **Panel 7: Far East (India/China) (Gościwit Malinowski):**

1. Bartłomiej Szmoniewski (IAE PAN O/Kraków): „From Salamander to the Robe of the fire rat. An outline history of the Asbestos in the West and East ”.

2. Ahn Jaewon (Seoul National University): "Traditions about Alexander in Korea".

3. Yang Juping (University of Nankai): “Alexander in Chinese literature and Buddhist art in China”.

14:30-14:45 Coffee break

4. Lukas Nickel (Vienna): “Early evidence for reception of Hellenistic art in China”.

5. Olga Kubica (University of Wrocław): “The interpreters of Alexander in Bactria, Sogdiana, and India”.

6. Gościwit Malinowski (University of Wrocław): “Western traditions about Alexander and Caesar in the Epic of King Gesar”.

Gościwit Malinowski: response