

Friday, 19<sup>th</sup> January

Panel V: Borderlands II

Chair: Erich **Kistler** (CoE “EurAsian Transformations”, Innsbruck)

09:00-09:30 Libor **Pruša** (Brno): *In the Grip of the King. The (Un)conquered Lands within the Achaemenid Empire*

09:30-10:00 **(online)** Anca **Dan** (Paris): *Shifting Borders between Continents in Antiquity*

10:00-10:30 coffee break

Chair: Sebastian **Fink** (CoE “EurAsian Transformations”, Innsbruck)

10:30-11:00 Felix **Müller** (Göttingen): *Shifting the Edge of the World. Continuity and Changes in the Perception of Borders and Relations of Space in the Neo-Assyrian Royal Inscription*

11:00-11:30 Kateryna **Baulina** (Kyiv): *Border Cities in the Achaemenid Empire and Conception of Cyropolis in the Organization of the Imperial Space.*

11:30-12:00 coffee break

12:00-12:30 Concluding Remarks by  
Robert **Rollinger** (CoE “EurAsian Transformations”, Innsbruck/Wrocław)

12:30 final thoughts by the organizers | end of the conference

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Wednesday, 17<sup>th</sup> January

15:00-15:30 opening

## Panel I: Borderlands I

15:30-16:00 Clemens **Steinwender** (Innsbruck): *The Sasanian Empire and the Caucasus. Spatial Perception of a Late Antique Borderland*

16:00-16:30 coffee break

Chair: Volker **Grieb** (Graz)

16:30-17:00 Manon **Courtois** (Paris): *A Roman 'protectorate' in Illyria? Rethinking a Border Area in the Beginning of the Spread of the Roman Empire*

17:00-17:30 Patrick **Reinard** (Trier): *From the Mediterranean to the Red Sea. Trade Routes in Ptolemaic and Roman Times*

17:30-18:00 coffee break

Chair: Bernhard **Palme** (CoE "EurAsian Transformations", Wien)

18:00-18:30 Vittorio **Cisnetti** (Bologna): *A 'Central Frontier' In the Sea. Cyprus as a Maritime Ideal Edge and Strategic Outpost in the Archaic and Classical Ages*

18:30-19:00 (online) Valentina A. **Grasso** (Washington): *Kingship, Self-Representation and Cross-Cultural Assimilation: a Comparative Analysis between Late Antique North Arabians and Central Asians*

19:00 welcome buffet

Thursday, 18<sup>th</sup> January

## Panel II: Perception of the Eastern Mediterranean and the Black Sea

Chair: Florian **Schwarz** (CoE "EurAsian Transformations", Wien)

09:00-09:30 Alejandro **Mizzoni** (Buenos Aires): *Assyrian Practice and Imagination of Borderlands: The Aramean Case*

09:30-10:00 Alexander **Podossinov** (Moskwa): *Alexander the Great on the Don? Spatial perception of the geography of the Eurasian steppes in connection with Alexander's campaign in Central Asia*

10:00-10:30 Julian **Degen** (Trier): *Inherited Geographies in Herodotus' Histories*

10:30-11:30 coffee break

## Panel III: Spatial Terminology

Chair: Patrick **Zeitlhuber** (Wien)

11:30-12:00 Zozan **Tarhan** (Sofia): *Spatial Perception of the Toponyms Na'iri, Urartu and Bia in the Assyrian and Urartian Sources*

12:00-12:30 Rainer **Feldbacher** (Beijing): *Adoption of the Foreign – A linguistic Comparison of the Border Regions between Iran and China*

12:30-14:00 lunch break

Chair: Alexander **Steiner** (Innsbruck)

14:00-14:30 (online) Yang Jin (Xi'an): *From Division to Reunification: New Spatial Transformation of Sui Dynasty in Lens of Dual Attestation*

14:30-15:00 Michal **Schwarz** and Ondřej **Srba** (Brno): *Changing understanding of spatial organization of centers and peripheries in the evolution of Inner Asian political and administrative terminology*

15:00-15:30 coffee break

## Panel IV: Perception of the Near East, Central Asia and South Asia

Chair: Nina **Mirnig** (CoE "EurAsian Transformations", Wien)

15:30-16:00 Veronica **Bucciantini** (Firenze): *Continuity and Discontinuity of a Geographical Concept: Babylon and Babylonia in Greek Historiography*

16:00-16:30 Matteo **Compareti** (Beijing): *Spatial Perception of the Sogdians according to the Pre-Islamic Paintings at Afrasyab (Samarkand)*

16:30-17:00 Paulina **Kaczmarczyk** (Wrocław): *Perception of India-Ethiopia in Late Antique Historical Writing*

19:00~ conference dinner at *Weißes Rössl*