New Perspectives on Romanization and Islamication

Romanization and Islamication, meaning the "Roman way of life" and Islamic culture, are two processes that continue to shape society today: RomanIslam plans to investigate the processes of cultural assimilation in the western Mediterranean, specifically on the Iberian Peninsula and in North Africa. These regions are ideal for comparative research on empires because structurally speaking, they had comparable economic significance for the Roman and Islamic Empires respectively as well as many other features in common.

Prior to assimilation there with two distinct cultures, the Celtiberian and the Berber, that were only superficially influenced by Greek culture. The Roman and Islamic Empires introduced to these an Eastern Imperial or Middle Eastern religion of salvation (Christianity and Islam respectively) in the guise of state religion. This historical situation in the first millennium allows researchers to develop new models and theories in the field of transcultural studies and comparative empire studies.

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Sep. 29 - Oct. 1, 2021, Universität Hamburg





Wednesday Sep. 29, 2021

Warburghaus, Heilwigstraße 116, 20249 Hamburg

17.30 h Sabine Panzram - Stefan Heidemann (Universität Hamburg)

Welcome and Introduction

 $\textbf{Silke Segler-Meßner}, \ \mathsf{Dean} \ \mathsf{of} \ \mathsf{the} \ \mathsf{Faculty} \ \mathsf{of} \ \mathsf{Humanities} \ \mathsf{(Universit" at Hamburg)}$

Nader Bousrih, Generalconsul of Tunisia in Hamburg **Pedro Villena Pérez**, Generalconsul of Spain in Hamburg

Sebastian Schmidt-Hofner (Universität Tübingen)

Images of Good Government and the Ideology of the Late Roman Aristocracy of Service

Abigail Balbale (New York University) online

Al-Andalus 8th/21st c.: The Islamic Conquest in Contemporary Debate

20.00 h Reception



Thursday Sep. 30, 2021

Warburghaus, Heilwigstraße 116, 20249 Hamburg

9.30 h **Sabine Panzram - Stefan Heidemann** (Universität Hamburg) Welcome and Introduction

Iberian Peninsula

- 9.45 h **Iberto León Muñoz José Antonio Garriguet Mata** (Universidad de Córdoba)

 Archaeological Analysis of 1500 Years of History in the Mosque-Cathedral of Córdoba and its Urban Environment. First Results of the Excavation in the Patio de los Naranjos
- 10.15 h **Volker Menze** (Central European University Vienna)

 The Ariminian-Visigothic Church in Sixth-Century Spain: The Quest for an Ecclesiology
- 10.45 h **Damián Fernández** (Northern Illinois University Freie Universität Berlin) Inheritance Law, Lineage, and Class Identity in the Visigothic Kingdom
- 11.15 h Coffee Break
- 11.45 h **Javier Arce** (Université de Lille) *Villae and the Society of Late Roman Spain (4th-6th Centuries)*
- 12.15 h **Lauro Olmo Enciso** (Universidad de Alcalá)

 From Visigoths to Arabs: Landscape and Transculturation in Central Iberia
 (6th-9th centuries)

North Africa

- 12.45 h **Darío Bernal Casasola** (Universidad de Cádiz)

 Late Roman Economy & Trade in Both Sides of the Strait of Gibraltar: Trends & Challenges
- 13 30 h Lunch Break
- 15.30 h **Sabine Lefebvre** (Université de Bourgogne)

 The Epigraphy of the Provinces of North Africa:

 An Abundance of Documentary and Textual Richness
- 16.00 h **Philipp von Rummel** (Deutsches Archäologisches Institut Berlin) *Africa and the Long Late Antiquity*
- 16.30 h **Chokri Touihri** (Institut National du Patrimoine Tunis)

The Africa – Ifriqiya Transition: Some Economic Effects of the Arab Conquest through Ceramic Studies

- 17.00 h Coffee Break
- 17.30 h Advisory Board Meeting
- 20.30 h Dinner

Friday Oct. 1, 2021

Warburghaus, Heilwigstraße 116, 20249 Hamburg

Transcultural and Comparative Empire Studies

- 9.30 h **Martin Pitts** (University of Exeter) online Romanization 2.0: Perspectives, Possibilities, and Practicalities
- 10.00 h **Peter Bang** (University of Copenhagen)

 Empire and Culture Islamication, Romanization and Comparative World History

Conflicting Narratives - The Imperial Perspective

10.30 h **Alejandro García-Sanjuán** (Universidad de Huelva) The Origins of al-Andalus: the Issue of the Sources

11.00 h Coffee Break

Material Culture

- 11.30 h **Felix Arnold** (Deutsches Archäologisches Institut Madrid)

 The Contribution of Architectural History to the Study of Empires: Problems and Potentials
- 12.00 h **Corisande Fenwick** (University College London) online Archaeology and Early Islamic North Africa: New Answers to Old Questions
- 1230 h Lunch

Manuscripts and Documents

- 14.30 h **Jonathan Brockopp** (Penn State University / CSMC Hamburg)

 An Empire of Books
- 15.00 h **Rocio Daga-Portillo** (Ludwig Maximilians Universität München) "Mestizage" of Legal Culture. Documents from the Cathedral of Toledo (11th.-14th. Century)
- 15.30 h Coffee Break

Emergence of Islamic Scholarship

- 16.00 h **Maribel Fierro** (The Spanish National Research Council Madrid)

 The Emergence of the Group of Religious Scholars in al-Andalus
- 16.30 h **Camilla Adang** (Tel Aviv University Department of Arabic and Islamic Studies) online The Early Maghribi Tradition: Ifrīqiya as a Case-Study
- 17.00 h Roundtable Discussion / Final remarks
- 20.00 h Dinner