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6TH INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

"ROMAN AND LATE ANTIQUE THRACE"

(RaLATh)

10-13 OCTOBER 2024

ARCHAEOLOGICAL MUSEUM, ABDERA, GREECE

PROGRAMME



Semiprecious gemstone depicting Fortuna Panthea. Abdera, South Enclosure, chance find (MA 3981)

THURSDAY 10.10.2024

17.30: Arrival and registration at the Archaeological Museum of

Abdera

18.30-19.00: Welcome speeches

19.00-20.30: Introductory speeches:

D. Triantaphyllos, Emeritus Ephor of Antiquities,

D. Terzopoulou, Director of the Ephorate of Antiquities of Evros

"Burial Tumulus of Mikri Doxipara-Zoni: A new Museum of Roman Thrace"

E. Sverkos, Associate Professor of Ancient Greek History, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Department of History and Archaeology

"Imprints of Roman Emperors in Landscapes of Thrace"



Session I: Urban and Rural Organisation
Chair: Ch. Karadima

09.00-09.20: M.-G. Parissaki

"Some First Thoughts on the Tribal Territory of the

Sapaioi"

09.20-09.40: M. Tasaklaki, U. Peter

"Topeiros and its Chora: Integrating Material Culture and

Historical Records"

09.40-10.00: V. Katsarova, H. Popov, P. Georgiev

"Rural Environment and Local Settlement Networks in

the Territory of Augusta Traiana in 2nd-5th c. AD"

10.00-10.20: M. Sayar

"Territories and Borders of the Cities and Rural

Settlements in Southeastern Thrace during the Roman

Rule and Late Antiquity"

10.20-10.40: A. Bâltâc, E. Paraschiv-Grigore

"The Enigmatic Situation from Durostorum: What is the

Roman Settlement from Ostrov (Farm No. 4), Constanța

County?"

10.40-11.00: Discussion

11.00-11.30: Coffee break

Session I: Urban and Rural Organisation (continued) Chair: M. Sayar

11.30-11.50: H. Preshlenov

"City and Territory along the Southwestern Black Sea Region. Some Remarks on the Ownership and the

Income"

11.50-12.10: E. Nankov, Ph. Kolev

"Away from the Limes, but not quite: A Newly Found Late Roman Villa Rustica near the Village of Gorni Dabnik,

Pleven Region"

12.10-12.30: K. Chakarov

"Nicopolis ad Istrum: Territory of the Roman, Late Roman

and Early Byzantine City (2nd - 7th century)"

12.30-12.50: I. Valchev, N. Dimitrov

"Kabyle in Late Antiquity: A Decade of Research in Sector

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12.50-13.10: D. Terzopoulou

"Roman Thrace: The Rural Wealth of the Area"

13.10-13.30: Discussion

13.30-14.10: Archaeological Museum of Abdera guided tour

14.10-16.00: Lunch break

Session II: Urban and Rural Space and Infrastructures
Chair: L. Vagalinski

16.00-16.20: N. Sharankov

"Reconstructing Urban Landscapes through Building

Inscriptions"

16.20-16.40: A. Avramidou, J. C. Donati, A. Garyfallopoulos, Ch.

Pardalidou, Ph. Aitatoglou, M. Tasaklaki, Ch. Karadima,

A. Sarris, N. Papadopoulos

"The Roman Station (?) along Via Egnatia at Komaros,

Evros: A Study of the Finds and Local Topography"

16.40-17.00: Z. Dimitrov

"The Military Road of the Roman Empire and Cillae Road

Station - A Major Part of Thrace's Infrastructure"

17.00-17.20: M. Raycheva

"Towns, Hills and Public Religious Life in Roman Thrace"

17.20-17.40: E. Kosmidou

"Depictions of Architectural Structures and Urban

Landscapes on the Coins of Roman Thrace"

17.40-18.00: Discussion

18.00-18.30: Coffee break

Session III: Landscapes of Thrace Chair: D. Boteva

18.30-18.50: A. Dan, W. Rabbel, H. Brückner, S. Başaran, Ch.

Karadima, D. Terzopoulou, Ch. Pardalidou, E. Erkul, S.

Fischer, M. Thorwart

"Down by the Hebros River: Geoarchaeological

Readings of the Tabula Peutingeriana"

18.50-19.10: V. Evangelidis, I. Mourthos, M. Karta, D. Tsiafaki

"Mountain Archaeology within the Rhodope Landscape

during Roman Times: Insights from Spatial Analysis"

Session IV: Private and Public Space Chair: D. Boteva

19.10-19.30: O. Boubounelle, I. Chalazonitis, L. Martinez-Sève, D.

Malamidou, J.-F. Guay, C. Pagnoux, P. Ralli, E. Rizos, B.

Rueff, S. Kriemadi

"Private and Public Space in the Site of Palaiokastro

(Terpni) during Roman and Late Antiquity"

19.30-19.50: P. Adam-Veleni

"The presence of the Thracians in Thessaloniki through

Roman Burial Monuments"

19.50-20.10: Discussion

Session V: Development of Settlement Patterns Chair: P. Adam-Veleni

09.00-09.20: M. Chrysaphi, M. Papaioannou, N. Papadopoulos

"The Abdera Urban Plan Project (AUPP): A Multidisciplinary Approach to the Study of Urban

Identities"

09.20-09.40: L. Vagalinski

"From Colonia to Oppidum. Deultum during 4th - 5th c.

AD"

09.40-10.00: I. D. Cholakov, P. Dakasheva

"Deultum and its Immediate Vicinity - Archaeological

Narrative through Non-Destructive Methods"

10.00-10.20: T. Slavkova, E. Bozhinova

"Topography of Philippopolis and its Hinterland during

the Roman Period"

10.20-10.40: I. Borisova-Katsarova

"Serdica's Development Patterns during Late Antiquity -

A Glimpse through the Western Gate of the City"

10.40-11.00: M. Vaklinov, I. Kirov, Y. Mutafchieva, B. Eminova

"New Data on the Chronology of the Fortified Site St.

Archangel in Dubnitsa Village, Southwest Bulgaria"

11.00-11.20: Discussion

11.20-11.50: Coffee break

Session VI: Everyday Life Issues in both the Town and Country Chair: N. Sharankov

11.50-12.10: Ph. Kokkini, I. Mourthos

"Mosaics of Thracia: urban and rural art?"

12.10-12.30: I. Anagnostou

"Leda and the Swan in the Roman Triclinium: Imagery and

Function of the Plotinopolis Mosaic"

12.30-12.50: U. Peter, V. Stolba

"An Iconographic Riddle from Deultum"

12.50-13.10: S. Petrova-Dineva

"Architectural Forms and Elements on the Roman Tomb

Steles in the Valley of Middle Strymon"

13.10-13.30: Discussion

13.30-15.00: Lunch break

15.00-17.00: Guided tour of the archaeological site of Abdera and

Polystylon

Session VII: Poster presentations Chair: M.-G. Parissaki

17.10-17.20: L. Grozdanova, D. Boteva

"From Deultum to DigiDeultum – From the Perspective of

the Numismatic Materials"

17.20-17.30: H. Ivanova-Anaplioti

"Like Father, Like Son? Imperial Portrait Distribution

Strategies in Thrace during the Reign of Septimius

Severus and Caracalla"

17.30-17.40: B. Borislavov

"Settlement Pattern in Sakar Mountain during the Roman

Period I - IV Century AD"

17.40-17.50: M. Gyuzelev

"Observations on the Early Byzantine East-Balkan

Fortification Wall"

17.50-18.00: K. Petkova, R. Stoychev

"On the Road in the Periphery of Serdica. Roman and

Late Roman Settlement and Production Centre near the

Village of Aldomirovtsi"

18.00-18.10: V. Anevlavi, P. Andreeva, W. Prochaska

"The Materiality of Visual Language: New Perspectives on

Marble Statue Trade in Roman Thrace"

Session VII: Poster presentations (continued)

Chair: M.-G. Parissaki

18.10-18.20: N. Borislavova

"Imported Wine in the Rural Areas of Roman Thrace"

18.20-18.30: I. Mattuzzi, C. Kallintzi, J.M. Palet, M. Georgiadis, E.

Kefalidou, A. Mayoral, A. Garcia-Molsosa

"A Compared Study of the Landscape Dynamics in the Territories of Abdera (Greece) and Emporiae (Spain): Methodology and First Results, with a Focus on Roman

Times and Late Antiquity"

18.30-18.50: Discussion

18.50-19.20: Coffee break

19.20-20.20: End of Conference - Concluding remarks

SUNDAY 13.10.2024

Excursion

8.30: Departure for the Macedonian Tomb of Stavroupolis -

Komnina and the Fortress of Kalyva

9.30-10.30: Arrival at the Macedonian Tomb of Stavroupolis

Komnina / Guided tour

10.30: Departure for the Fortress of Kalyva

11.30-13.30: Fortress of Kalyva guided tour

13.30: Departure for Stavroupolis

14.00-16.00: Lunch at Stavroupolis

16.00-17.00: Departure for Xanthe

Optional tour of the Old Town of Xanthe / Departure of participants

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