

Middle Earth

Exchange, Influence, Memory & Legacy 300-2012

13th Annual Postgraduate Colloquium, Centre for Byzantine Ottoman

& Modern Greek Studies

26th May 2012, ERI

The event will also include a tour of the Byzantine coin collection in the Barber Coin Room, a tour of the medieval manuscripts (Greek, Latin, Syriac and Arabic) and a tour of the interactive facilities in the VISTA lab. If you wish to attend please register at BYZANTIUMUoB@gmail.com

Key note address by Dr Peter Sarris, Trinity College, University of Cambridge

Panel 1

Four Considerations on Sicilian Byzantine Urban Centres

Denis Sami, The University of Leicester

Reconstructing the Mediterranean end of Indo-Byzantine trade

Rebecca Day, The University of Birmingham

Justinian and the Steppe: Huns in the 6th Century C.E

Giuseppe Ricci, Princeton University

Panel 2

‘Megalomania’ in Trebizond? The usage of the term ‘Grand Komnenoi’

Annika Asp-Talwar, The University of Birmingham

Sea Seljuks? Turkish chieftains and their fleets in the Aegean and Marmara seas at the end of the eleventh century.

Roman Shlyakhtin, Central European University

The Byzantines in the Iberian Peninsula c.554 - c.624 AD

Wei-Sheng Lin, The University of Birmingham

Panel3

**The use of the visual to tell us about the voiceless: Constantinian empresses and their legacy
(306-395 A.D.)**

Andriani Georgiou, The University of Birmingham

**Religion on Material Culture: The Representation of Holy Images on Ceramic Objects
(AD 4th – 7th c.)**

Nikolaos Papatizikos, The University of Athens

A case study in competitive sharing: Sant' Apollinare Nuovo

Stacey Blake, The University of Birmingham

Panel 4

Dancing with the Muses in Asia Minor: Manuel II`s letters from the campaign of Asia Minor

Siren Çelik, The University of Birmingham

**Gendering eleventh-century Byzantium: Michael Psellos, rhetoric and gender strategy in the
*Chronographia***

Helen Lambert, The University of Birmingham

**The Battle of Dyrrachium (1081): Anna Komnene and her knowledge of the battle of Hastings
(1066)**

Theocaris Alexopoulos, The University of Athens

Panel 5

The Role of the Greeks in 15th century Venetian Nation-Building.

Anais Massot, Leiden University

**From Mistra to Konstantiniyye, from Byzantium to the Ottomans: the life and works of John
Dokeianos**

Anna Calia, Università di San Marino

**‘CATALANOS ET TURCOS IN ISTAM INSULAM INTRODUXIT.’ Military Alliance and
Wandering Fellowship between the Catalan Great Company and Early Turks (1306-1329)**

Alessandro Angelucci, Università di San Marino

Panel 6

Monasticism and Pilgrimage in Early Islamic Palestine c.614-950

Daniel Reynolds, The University of Birmingham

Cross-cultural comparisons in magical practices in the Mediterranean specifically between Greece and Italy

Amalia Koumpoura, The University of Athens

Establishing Byzantine monasteries on Mount Papikion

George Makris, The University of Birmingham

Panel 7

Ottoman Monuments of 14th century Greece

Ifigeneia Georgala, The University of Athens

The political and legal status of the Constantinopolitan Patriarchate under the Ottoman administration in the second half of the fifteenth century

Konstantinos Kouvaras, The University of Athens

Modernising the *Sira* Literature in the Late Ottoman Period: a positivist reading of the life of the Prophet Muhammad

Mehmet Akif Kahveci, The University of Birmingham

Panel 8

Mar Saba – Koutsovendis – New Zion: networks in the twelfth century

Foteini Springou, The University of Oxford

Unity or Diversity? Medieval Famagusta: Society, Culture and Language

Seyit Ozkutlu, The University of Birmingham

Settlement patterns on north Chios

Ioanna Koukonis, The University of Birmingham