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Wednesday, 5 November

Panel 1:

Patterns of Communication, Publication and Documentation: The Practical and Symbolic Significance of the Written Word in Ancient Administrative Machineries
(**Chairs:** S. Procházka/L. Reinfandt)

9:00–9:45 **JURSA, M. (VIENNA)**
Epistolography in the Context of Hierarchical Systems: An Institutional Perspective

9:45–10:30 **KADI, W. (CHICAGO)**
The Imperial Letters of the Umayyads in the Literary Sources: The Preponderance of Writing over Orality

10:30–11:00 Coffee break

11:00–11:45 **REINFANDT, L. (VIENNA)**
Imperial Communication in a Provincial Administration: The Case of Umayyad Official Epistolography

11:45–12:30 **KEENAN, J. G. (CHICAGO)**
“Known Unknowns”: Thoughts on Lost (Papyrus) Evidence

12:30–12:50 **FRAME, G. (PHILADELPHIA)**
first respondent

12:50–13:10 **ROBINSON, C. H. (NEW YORK)**
second respondent

Opening ceremony

17:00–17:30 welcome address

17:30–18:30 **BANG, P. F. (COPENHAGEN)**
keynote lecture

Reception

Thursday, 6 November

Panel 2:

Rulers and Subjects: Practices of Social Control or the Way of Decision Making, Regulation and Legislation
(**Chairs:** B. Palme/S. Tost)

9:00–9:45 **BAKER, H. D. (VIENNA/TORONTO)**
Gifts and Bribes in Mesopotamia in the First Millennium BCE

9:45–10:30 **SADOWICZ, M. (WARSAW)**
Alternative Dispute Resolution in the Neo-Babylonian Period

10:30–11:00 Coffee break

11:00–11:45 **MANNING, J. G. (NEW HAVEN)**
Kings, Bureaucracy and the Mobilization of Resources in Egypt

11:45–12:30 **ARMONI, C. (COLOGNE)**
The King and the Rebels: Ptolemaic Pacification Policies during and after the Egyptian Revolt in the Thebaid (206–186 BCE)

12:30–14:00 Lunch break

14:00–14:45 **ANDO, C. (CHICAGO)**
Petition and Response, Order and Obey: Contemporary Models of Roman Government

14:45–15:30 **SLOOTJES, D. (NIJMEGEN)**
The Decision-Making Process of Late Roman Administrative Structures: Provinces, Dioceses and Prefectures

15:30–16:00 Coffee break

16:00–16:45 **VAN BERKEL, M. (AMSTERDAM)**
To Smoothen Relations? The Exchange of Gifts between Centre and Periphery in the Late Ninth–Early Tenth Century ‘Abbasid Empire

16:45–17:05 **ROAF, M. (MUNICH)**
first respondent

17:05–17:25 **GONIS, N. (LONDON)**
second respondent

Friday, 7 November

Panel 3:

State Power and Its Allocation of Manpower
(**Chairs:** H. D. Baker/M. Jursa)

9:00–9:45 **TUPLIN, C. (LIVERPOOL)**
Where Have All the Soldiers Gone? In Search of Achaemenid Armies

9:45–10:30 **VERKINDEREN, P. (HAMBURG)**
Water Management in the Early Islamic Empire: Government, Private Investments and Labour

10:30–11:00 Coffee break

11:00–11:45 **KAISER, A. (VIENNA)**
Recruiting Soldiers in Late Roman Egypt

11:45–12:30 **GROSS, M./PIRNGRUBER, R. (VIENNA)**
Mobilization of Manpower in Iron Age Assyria and Babylonia Compared

12:30–14:00 Lunch break

14:00–14:45 **MAURER, K./TOST, S. (VIENNA)**
The Provision of Support and Remuneration Processes in the Context of Liturgies: Maintaining Public Order in Late Antique Egypt

14:45–15:25 **BROSIUS, M. (TORONTO)**
first respondent

15:05–15:25 **ROLLINGER, R. (HELSINKI/INNSBRUCK)**
second respondent

15:30–16:00 Coffee break

16:00–17:00 *final discussion*