

MONDAY 8TH JULY – MORNING

ALL LECTURES AND SESSIONS IN THE MAIN MEETING ROOM

8.30 – 9.30	Registration
9.30 – 9.35	Welcome by Dr Rebecca Bridgman, Vice-President of the Society for the Medieval Mediterranean (Birmingham Museums)
9.35-10.35	Keynote lecture by Prof. David Abulafia (University of Cambridge) 'Thalassa: Thalassocracies Ancient and Medieval'
10.35 – 10.55	Break for tea and coffee
10.55-12.05	Session one - Immigrant Trading Communities Chair: Prof. David Abulafia (University of Cambridge)
10.55-11.15	Italian Traders in Mamluk Ports and Cities – Prof. Yaacov Lev (Bar Ilan University)
11.15-11.35	'We want you to support this nice Christian': Jewish traders in the 15th-century Mediterranean – Dr Esther-Miriam Wagner (University of Cambridge)
11.35-11.55	"The Treason Trial of Pedro de Barreria: Xenophobia and Immigrant Assimilation in Fifteenth-Century Marseille" – Nathan Melson (Fordham University)
11.55-12.05	Questions
12.05-12.10	Short break
12.10 – 13.20	Session two - Italian Trade and Traders Chair: Prof. David Abulafia (University of Cambridge)
12.10-12.30	Alum production in late medieval period: new data for a Mediterranean approach - Dr. D. Boisseuil (University of Tours), Dr. Luisa Dallai (University of Siena), Dr Enrico Basso (University of Torino), Dr Ivana Ait (University of Rome, Sapienza)
12.30-12.50	Amalfi and the Revival of Trade in the Central and Eastern Mediterranean, 9th – 11th centuries – Prof. Liliana Simeonova (Bulgarian Academy of Sciences)
12.50-13.10	The Influence of Papal Trade Licences on Cross-Cultural Trade in the Late Medieval Mediterranean – Dr Mike Carr (British School at Rome)
13.10-13.20	Questions
13.20-14.00	Lunch (finger buffet provided)

MONDAY 8TH JULY – AFTERNOON

ALL SESSIONS IN THE MAIN MEETING ROOM

14.00-15.10	Session three - Transmission of the concept of holy war and warriors Chair: Prof. Carole Hillenbrand (University of Edinburgh)
14.00-14.20	Enemy for real, enemy for fiction: Umur Pasha Aydin-oghlu and his image in late Medieval Italian chronicles and humanist writings – Dr Cristian Caselli (Georg-August Universität, Göttingen)
14.20-14.40	The jihad chapter from Tuhfat al-Muluk: A neglected source for the Counter-Crusade in the early 12th century – Dr Alex Mallett (Institute of Ismaili Studies, London)
14.40-15.00	Space, Time and Religion in the Alexandrie en Orient – Prof. David Rollo (University of Southern California)
15.00-15.10	Questions
15.10-15.30	Break for tea and coffee
15.30-16.40	Session four - Transmission of Mediterranean Jewish Perspectives Chair: Prof. David Abulafia (University of Cambridge)
15.30-15.50	From Tyre (Zor) to Venice: a History of a Founding Myth – Prof. Abraham Melamed (Univ of Haifa)
15.50 – 16.10	Takkanot Candia as a Work of Jewish Legal Literature and an Historical Source - Martin Borýsek (University of Cambridge)
16.10-16.30	Non-existent substance: A phantom of the Jewish community in the Visigothic Spain – Luibov Chernin (Hebrew University, Jerusalem)
16.30-16.40	Questions
16.40- 16.45	Short break
16.45 – 18.30	AGM of Society for the Medieval Mediterranean (for Society Members and those interested in joining)
19.00 – 20.00	Taylor &Francis drinks reception

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MAIN MEETING ROOM

9.00-10.10	Session five: Transmission of concepts through texts Chair: Prof. Simon Barton (University of Exeter)
9.00-9.20	After the defeat: the survival of notarial Arab affidavits in Christian Granada – Prof. Maria Dolores Rodríguez-Gómez (University of Granada)
9.20-9.40	Religious Scrupulousness in the Islamic Mediterranean in the 3rd /9th Century – Dr Mateusz Wilk (University of Warsaw)
9.40-10.00	Yemeni Rulers: al-Walīd’s Dāmiḡ al-Bātil, the Ismā’īlī Response to al-Ġāzālī, the Diseases of the Walī al-Amr and Machiavelli’s Principle – Corrado la Martire (University of Naples “l’Orientale”)
10.00-10.10	Questions
10.10-10.30	Break for tea and coffee
10.30-11.40	Session seven - Transmission of Latin or Greek Texts Chair: Dr Alun William (University of Exeter)
10.30-10.50	The Book of the Apple: A pseudo-epigraphic deathbed confession of Aristotle criss-crossing the Western Mediterranean - Dr. Peter Sh. Lehnardt, Ben-Gurion (Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Beer Sheva)
10.50-11.10	Euclidean Diagrams Travel through Mediterranean Lands – Dr Gregg De Young (The American University in Cairo)
11.10-11.30	Routes and Kingdoms: The Book of Roger in Context – Katherine Jacka (University of New South Wales, Sydney)
11.30-11.40	Questions
11.40 – 11.50	Short break
11.50-13.00	Session nine - Transmission of scientific knowledge Chair: Prof. Jo van Steenbergen (University of Ghent)
11.50 – 12.10	The Introduction and Distribution of "Arabic" Medicinal Substances after the Arab Conquest and their Impact on Medieval Mediterranean Medicine and Pharmacology - Prof. Zohar Amar (Bar Ilan University), Prof. Efraim Lev (University of Haifa)
12.10- 12.30	Out of the Shadows: The Science of Childrearing from the Greco-Roman Tradition of “Bryson” to Muslim Intellectuals of the Long Late Antiquity – Alzahraa K. Ahmed (New York University)
12.30 – 12.50	The Interaction of Language, Science and Identity in the Middle Ages: A comparison of scientific translation in Medieval Islam and Tudor England – Jonathan Klauke (Central Michigan University)
12.50 – 13.10	Questions
13.10-13.20	Short break
13.20 – 14.00	Lunch (finger buffet provided)

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NOTE PARALLEL SESSIONS CONTINUE

MAIN MEETING ROOM

14.00 – 15.10	Session eleven - Travelogues and travel-related literature Chair: Prof. Carole Hillenbrand (University of Cambridge)
14.00 – 14.20	“He has set a limit to the sea”: Islamic Practices and Orisons for Salvation from the Perils of Sea in the Medieval Mediterranean – Dr Jalal abd Alghani (University of Haifa)
14.20 – 14.40	Failed Pilgrim: Lietbertus of Cambrai and the religious travel in the eastern Mediterranean – Dr Courtney Luckhardt (University of Memphis)
14.40 – 15.00	Tourism in religious scenery – Andrew Libadenos’ journey to Egypt and the Holy Land – Annika Asp-Talwar (University of Birmingham)
15.00-15.10	Questions
15.10 – 15.30	Break for tea and coffee
15.30 – 16.40	Session thirteen - Travel and Transmission in the Balkans Chair: Prof. Liliana Simeonova (Bulgarian Academy of Sciences)
15.30 – 15.50	Struggling for Dominion: Cultural Diversities and Artistic Interaction in Late Medieval Albania – Dr Anna Christidou (Central European University, Budapest)
15.50 – 16.10	The ‘Life of Queen Helen’: Women and Diplomacy in the Balkans in the 13th-14th centuries – Alexandra Vukovic (University of Cambridge)
16.10 – 16.30	Social Innovation on silent mountains: The Byzantine idea of a non-Byzantine Empress – George Makris (Birmingham University)
16.30 – 16.40	Questions
19.30-22.30	Gala dinner (pre-bookings only)

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9.00-10.10	Session six - Transmission of Gifts Chair: Dr Jamie Wood (University of Lincoln)
9.00-9.20	Aragonese Tiles, Burgundian Diplomacy, and the Menace of the Ottomans. Material Culture and Chivalric Gift-Exchange Networks in Fifteenth-Century Europe – Dr Wim De Clercq (Ghent University) and Dr Jan Dumolyn (Ghent University)
9.20-9.40	More than a Messenger: Embodied Expertise in Mantuan and Ottoman Envoys in the 1490s – Dr Antonia Gatward Cevizli (Sotheby's Institute of Art)
9.40-10.00	Exotics from the South and from the North. Animal gifts and zoological knowledge – Dr Theirry Buquet (French Institute of the Near East, Beirut)
10.00-10.10	Questions
10.10-10.30	Break for tea and coffee
10.30-11.40	Session eight - Ships, Harbours and Sea Travel Chair: Dr Brian Catlos (University of California, Santa Cruz)
10.30 – 10.50	Sailing in the Mediterranean: Ships and Boats in the Coptic and Arabic Lexikon from Justinian to the 'Abbasids – Dr Myriam Wissa (SOAS, University of London)
10.50-11.10	Territoriality on the Mediterranean: Piracy, Trade and the Taifa of Denia – Dr Travis Bruce (Wichita State University)
11.10-11.30	Vikings in the Mediterranean – Dr Ann Christys (Independent Scholar)
11.30-11.40	Questions
11.40 – 11.50	Short break
11.50 – 13.00	Session ten - Trade and transmission of worked stone Chair: Dr Rebecca Bridgman (Birmingham Museums)
11.50 – 12.10	The "Marzamemi Church Wreck" Revisited: New Insights into the Study of Byzantine Marble Trade – Dr Elena Flavia Castagnino Berlinghieri (Soprintendenza ai Beni Culturali of Siracusa, Sicily) & Dr Andrea Paribeni (University of Urbino)
12.10 – 12.30	Stone, Chisels and Sails. The 'Geography' of Trecento Sculpture in the Adriatic Basin – Dr Luca Palozzi (University of Edinburgh)
12.30 – 12.50	A Marble Spolia Hoard excavated at Crusader Acre – Dr Edna J. Stern (Israel Antiquities Authority)
12.50 – 13.10	Patterns of Exchange: The mobility of architectural motifs between Anatolia, Syria and Egypt in the 12th and 13th century – Richard McClary (Edinburgh University)

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13.10-13.20	Questions for Session ten - Trade and transmission of worked stone (continued from previous page) Chair: Dr Rebecca Bridgman (Birmingham Museums)
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13.20 – 14.00	Lunch (finger buffet provided)
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NOTE PARALLEL SESSIONS CONTINUE

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14.00 – 15.10	Session twelve - Trade and Transmission in ceramics Chair: Dr Rebecca Bridgman (Birmingham Museums)
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14.00-14.20	Commerce, Trade and Migration in Islamic Palermo: Recent Archaeological Exploration – Dr Fabiola Ardizzone (University of Palermo) & Dr V. Sacco (University of Paris – University of Messina)
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14.20 – 14.40	“Late medieval glazed pottery in the Islamic and Christian areas in the Iberian Peninsula. Production, technological transfer and trade”- Prof. Alberto García Porras (University of Granada)
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14.40 – 15.00	Mediterranean inspirations and Ottoman Miletus ware in the 15th century – Prof. Filiz Yenişehirlioğlu (Başkent University) & Dr Nurşen Özkul-Fındık (Gazi University, Ankara)
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15.00-15.10	Questions
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15.10 – 15.30	Break for tea and coffee
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15.30 – 16.40	Session fourteen - Trade and transmission in textiles Chair: Dr Rebecca Bridgman (Birmingham Museums)
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15.30 – 15.50	Islamic Textiles from the Austrian National Library (Arabish Leinwand collection): a micro-economy – Dr Anne Regourd (C.N.R.S.)
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15.50 – 16.10	Textile Archives? Comparing the Functions of Inscribed Textiles from Norman Sicily and Fatimid Egypt – Isabelle Dolezalek (Freie Universität, Berlin)
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16.10 – 16.30	“Good fortune and prosperity”: The transformations of a well-wishing Arabic inscription from Fatimid Egypt to Christian Castille – Dr Abigail Krasner Balbale (Bard Graduate Center, New York)
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16.30 – 16.40	Questions
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19.30-22.30	Gala dinner (pre-bookings only)
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WEDNESDAY 10TH JULY – MORNING

MAIN MEETING ROOM

9.00-10.00 Keynote lecture by Prof. Carole Hillenbrand (University of Edinburgh)

'The Literature of Travel in the Medieval Muslim World'

10.00-10.10 Short break

PARALLEL SESSIONS CONTINUE

MAIN MEETING ROOM

10.10 – 11.20 Session fifteen: Travel in Bilād al-Shām

Chair: Prof. Jo van Steenbergen (University of Ghent)

10.10-10.30 'Beseech God Almighty on this land, and I will bear witness for you' Christians, Muslims, and the Generation of Sacred Topography in Medieval Syria – Dr Stephanie Mulder (The University of Texas at Austin)

10.30-10.50 A Karaite-Jewish Hajji? Moses ben Samuel of Damascus (mid-14th c. kātib / poet) and the Hebrew travel account of his pilgrimage to Mecca and Medina – Dr Joachim Yeshaya (Goethe University, Frankfurt)

10.50-11.10 "Accepting All Comers: Road Caravanserais Functions and Facilities in Medieval Bilād al-Šām (XII-XVI c.)" – Dr Cinzia Tavernari (Aga Khan Program, MIT)

11.10-11.20 Questions

11.20-11.40 Break for tea and coffee

11.40-12.50 Session seventeen - Venice and Venetians: transmission and travel

Chair: Prof. Deborah Howard (University of Cambridge)

11.40-12.00 The Venetian Maritime Transport Networks with Beirut during the 14th and 15th century – Dr Pierre Moukarzel (Lebanese University)

12.00-12.20 "Persons Worthy of Trust": Venetian Informants at the End of the Fifteenth Century – Dr N. Zeynep Yelçe (Sabancı University, Istanbul)

12.20-12.40 Under the Shadow of the Great Emir: Venetians and Muslims in Damascus during the invasion of Tamerlane – Dr Angeliki Tzavara (C.N.R.S.)

12.40 – 13.00 "L'arte del navigar": the illuminated Lyon Atlas and the significant role of Venice in the creation of the Vesconte luxury atlas archetype – Laura De Marchi (University of Padova)

13.00 – 13.10 Questions

13.10 - 13.50 Lunch (finger buffet provided)

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MAIN MEETING ROOM

13.50 – 15.00 Session nineteen – East meets West: Transmission in the Eastern Mediterranean from the 14th to 16th centuries.

Chair: Prof. Deborah Howard (University of Cambridge)

13.50-14.10 Faith and Finance: Florence in the Mediterranean – Prof. Mahnaz Yousefzadeh (New York University)

14.10-14.30 Souvenir or Stereotype? Ottoman Costume Albums as Records of Sixteenth-Century Travel in the Orient – Dr William Kynan-Wilson (University of Cambridge)

14.30-14.45 Questions and close

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10.10-11.20	Session sixteen - The Transmission of Crusader Culture Chair: Prof. Carole Hillenbrand (University of Edinburgh)
10.10-10.30	A Reassessment of Frankish Settlement Patterns in the Latin Kingdom of Jerusalem: 493-583 A.H./1099-1187 A.D. – Bogdan C. Smarandache (University of Toronto)
10.30-10.50	Urban Landscape in 12th century Jerusalem – patterns of development, municipal administration and cultural exchange – Anna Gutgarts-Weinberger (Hebrew University, Jerusalem)
10.50-11.10	Crusader-Period Acre in the light of Archaeological Remains – Eliezer Stern (Israel Antiquities Authority)
11.10-11.20	Questions
11.20-11.40	Break for tea and coffee
11.40-12.50	Session eighteen - Travelling Crusaders Chair: Prof. Carole Hillenbrand (University of Edinburgh)
11.40-12.00	Writing Noble Conduct from Cyprus: The Diffusion of the Quatre âges de l'homme Across the Medieval Mediterranean – Christopher Rose (Fordham University)
12.00-12.20	The Genoese and the Hospitallers of Rhodes in the 15th century – Dr Christopher Wright (Royal Holloway, University of London)
12.20-12.40	Mercenaries and Diplomatic Relation, The Career of the Templar Renegade Bernal de Fuentes as Catalan Alcade in the Tunis Emirate – Dr Alessandro Angelucci (San Marino University)
12.40-12.50	Questions
13.00 - 13.50	Lunch (finger buffet provided)

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13.50 – 15.00	Session twenty - Travel and Transmission of Religious Artefacts Chair: Dr Alex Metcalfe (University of Lancaster)
13.50-14.10	Relics of St. Thecla (the Elder) and their movement between Armenia and Tarragona – Dr Rachel Goshgarian (Lafayette College, Pennsylvania)
14.10-14.30	From Alexandria to Rome: The Transmission and role played by the cult of Saint Cyrus and John in the East and the West in the first millennium – Eileen Rubery (Courtauld Institute, London)
14.30-14.50	Objects, Action and Places: Hedwig Beakers from Norman Sicily to the Holy Roman Empire – Dr Scott D. Stull (State University of New York at Cortland)
14.50-15.00	Questions and close