

ABSTRACT

The international workshop is a collaboration between the project A08 "Relic Labels" of the SFB 933 and the research network "The Cult of Relics in Late Antiquity" and discusses current and future works on the phenomenon of late antique and early medieval veneration of relics. It brings together early career researchers and established scholars and has an interdisciplinary scope with contributions from Ancient and Medieval History, Christian and Byzantine Archaeology, Latin Philology of the Middle Ages, and Islamic Studies. If you are interested in participating please register by emailing kirsten.wallenstein@zegk.uni-heidelberg.de by March 20, 2023.

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PROGRAMME

THURSDAY, 23rd MARCH

09:00–09:15 Welcome

Moderation: **ANNA SITZ**, Heidelberg

09:15–10:45 Pilgrim's Motivation and Souvenirs as a Methodical Approach to Relics and Holy Places
HILDEGARD POESCHEL, Münster

Graffiti, Water and Relics – A Tale of Three Sites
RACHAEL HELEN BANES, Vienna

10:45–11:15 Coffee break

11:15–12:45 This Escalated Quickly – The Staging of Relics in Late Antique Ephesus
KATINKA SEWING, Heidelberg

An Anthropological Approach to Relics as Markers of Byzantine Personhood
SOPHIE MOORE, Newcastle

12:45–14:00 Lunch break

Moderation: **SEBASTIAN KOLDITZ**, Heidelberg

14:00–16:15 Bishops and Relics in the Late Antique Mediterranean
DAVIDE BIANCHI, Vienna

Between Center and Periphery – the Paradigm of Relics
BASEMA HAMARNEH, Vienna

Relics in Translation – Creating a Christian Sacred Topography for Constantinople, 4th-7th c.
NADINE VIERMANN, Durham

16:15–16:45 Coffee break

16:45–18:15 Serial, Repeated, Imprinted Images in the Making of Early Reliquaries
ADRIEN PALLADINO, Brno

Relics and Sacred Space in Early Islam
ADAM BURSI, Saint Paul/MN

19:30 Conference dinner

FRIDAY, 24th MARCH

Moderation: **ROMEDIO SCHMITZ-ESSER**, Heidelberg

09:00–11:15 *Coclea aquam de mari haustam...*
Countless Investigations on the Relics of Saints
PHILIPPE GEORGE, Liège

Chelles: les reliques du haut Moyen Age
JEAN-PIERRE LAPORTE, Paris

“Reliquienauthentiken digital” – A Database for Early Medieval Relic Labels
KIRSTEN WALLENWEIN, Heidelberg

11:15–11:45 Coffee break

11:45–13:30 Saint Cucufatus (†303/304) – An Iberian Martyr in the Carolingian Empire
SILKE ENGELHARDT, Heidelberg

Relics and *authenticae* – Some New Evidence from Southern Belgium
GEORGES KAZAN, Turku

Concluding Remarks
ROBERT WISNIEWSKI, Warsaw/Reading

13:30 Lunch