

Conference Program:

**“Living the End of Antiquity – Individual Histories from Byzantine to Islamic Egypt”
May 18–20, 2017**

Thursday, May 18, 2017

14:00 Welcome address: Sabine Huebner

Panel I: Servants to the Rulers, Masters of the Land: Governors, Provincial Authorities, and Great Landowners

(Chair: Matthias Stern)

14:30–15:00 James Keenan, Loyola University (Chicago), USA:

“The Will of Flavius Phoibammon and the Late Antique Mentalité.”

15:00–15:30 Roberta Mazza, University of Manchester, United Kingdom:

“Portrait of a Landlord: Flavius Strategius II and the Justinian Turning Point.”

15:30–16:00 Anne Boud’hors, Institut de Recherche et d’Histoire des Textes (Paris), France:

“Completing the Figure of Papas, Pagarch of Edfou at the End of the 7th Century: the Contribution of the Coptic Documents.”

16:00 Coffee break

(Chair: Isabelle Marthot)

16:30–17:00 Andreas Kaplony, Ludwig-Maximilians University (Munich), Germany:

“Kitābī hādā ‘This my writ’: the Official Speaking as an Individual in Arabic Documents up to 800 and Beyond.”

17:00–17:30 Alon Dar, Ben Gurion University (Beer-Sheva), Israel:

“The Eye of the Viceroy: Change and Continuity in the Conquest of Egypt from the Perspective of ‘Amr b. al- ‘Āṣ.”

17:30 General discussion

18:00 Apéro

Friday, May 19, 2017

Panel II: Village Authorities and Leading Families: Hinges at the Meeting Point of State and Society

(Chair: W. Graham Claytor)

9:30–10:00 Lajos Berkes, University of Heidelberg, Germany:

“The Notary Paulos and the Last Greek Legal Documents from Islamic Egypt.”

10:00–10:30 Lucian Reinfandt, Austrian National Library (Vienna), Austria:

“Petosiris the Scribe.”

10:30 Coffee break

(Chair: Matthias Müller)

11:00–11:30 Lorelei Vanderheyden, École Pratique des Hautes Études (Paris), France:

“The Figure of Apollos, Father of Dioscorus, in the light of Coptic letters from Aphrodito (6th c. A.D.).”

11:30–12:00 Jennifer Cromwell, University of Copenhagen, Denmark:

“A Village Scribe on the Eve of Change.”

12:00–12:30 General discussion

12:30 Lunch break

Panel III: Patterns of Daily Life in a Time of Change

(Chair: Sabine Huebner)

14:30–15:00 Nicoletta de Troia, University of Rome (Tor Vergata), Italy:

“Living on the Edge of the Empire at the End of the Late-Roman Period. The Kharga Oasis sites as a case study.”

15:00–15:30 Roger Bagnall, New York University (New York), USA:

“Family Histories in Pre-transition Villages.”

15:30–16:00 Judith Evans Grubbs, Emory University (Atlanta), USA:

“Slave and Free in Egypt at the End of Antiquity.”

16:00 Coffee break

(Chair: Eugenio Garosi)

16:30–17:00 Arietta Papaconstantinou, University of Reading, UK:

“Women of Substance: Case Studies from Different Walks of Life.”

17:00–17:30 David Powers, Cornell University (Ithaca), USA:

“The Abolition of Adoption in Islam.”

17:30 General discussion

20:00 Conference dinner

Saturday, May 20, 2017

Panel IV: Serving God: Bishops, Clergy, Monks, and Nuns

(Chair: Stefanie Schmidt)

10:00–10:30 Alain Delattre, École Pratique des Hautes Études (Paris) / Université libre de Bruxelles, and **Naïm Vanthieghem**, Princeton University, USA:

“Monks and Monasteries in the Early Islamic Period: Insights from Documentary Sources.”

10:30–11:00 Luise M. Frenkel, University of São Paulo, Brazil:

“Egyptian Female Coenobitic Monasticism during the Early Arab Conquest: Maximus the Confessor on Alexandrian Nuns in Exile.”

11:00 Coffee break

11:30–12:00 Maya Müller, University of Basel, Switzerland: “A Coptic Citizen Orders a Joseph Tunic in Early Islamic Egypt (cuff trimming Museum der Kulturen Basel III 17088).”

12:00–12:30 Final discussion

