

CONNECTING DISTANT WORLDS: THE INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR ARABIC PAPYROLOGY (ISAP) ONLINE CONFERENCE (ONLINE, 15-18 MARCH, 2021)

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Scholars working in pre-modern Arabic and Islamic studies are keenly aware of the importance of original documents. Yet, relevant documents have survived not only in Arabic, but also in Iranian languages, Coptic, Greek, Judaeo-languages and the other scribal idioms that mirror the multilingual past of the Islamic world. The International Society for Arabic Papyrology Online Conference (ISAP ONLINE 2021) will provide a platform to showcase the state of the art of Arabic papyrology, with an emphasis on the edges, connectivity and multilingualism of the Islamic world.

ISAP's original plan was to hold this conference at Fayyum University, but the pandemic requires us to hold the conference online. As soon as possible, the society will also move ahead with the Fayyum conference.

The conference will consist of a series of afternoon panels and evening lectures (Central European Time) from Monday, 15 March 2021 to Thursday, 18 March 2021. The program will include 20-minute presentations, an evening lecture, as well as an introductory-level student workshop. All lectures will be in English, but questions and discussion can take place in English, Arabic, French or German.

PARTICIPATION WITH NO PRESENTATION

Pure attendance will be free. Please send a notice of intent to participate to Manuella Wangert (m.wangert at lmu.de) no later than 1 March, 2021.

FURTHER QUESTIONS

If you have any further questions about the conference, please contact Andreas Kaplony (andreas.kaplony at lmu.de).

CONFERENCE ORGANIZERS

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PROGRAM

MONDAY, 15 MARCH 2021

13:00 Room open

14:00 - 16:00 Session 1: Welcome - Christians and Muslims in Early Islamic Egypt

Andreas Kaplony (LMU Munich/ISAP): Welcome

Cecilia Palombo (Leiden University): Arabicization through the monasteries: the movement of scribes and documents between regional *diwāns* and monastic libraries in the Abbasid period

Ursula Bsees (LMU Munich): "The monasticism of my community is to sit in the mosque awaiting prayer": the language of Islamic piety in Arabic papyri

Wafaa Abd El Raheem (Fayoum University): The Copto-Arabic Rite of the Jar: a new edition
Response / Discussion

16:00 - 17:00 Break / 16:15 - 16:35 Meet the IFAO

Frédéric Abécassis (Institut français d'archéologie orientale (IFAO): Recent publications in papyrology, submitting to the *Annales islamologiques*

17:00 - 19:00 Session 2: News from the Arabic Papyrology Database: Two New Tools

Launch of the Typology Tool and the Paleography Tool

Hands-on workshops on documents

TUESDAY, 16 March 2021

13:00 Room open

14:00 - 16:00 Session 3: Legal Documents

Lev Weitz (The Catholic University of America): Greek, Arabic, and a companion of Muḥammad in the oldest Egyptian bilingual entagion

Georgi Obatnin: Women under early medieval Islam: separation of property in marriage

Oded Zinger (Hebrew University of Jerusalem): A murder in Tyre and the use of Jewish legal documents in Muslim courts

Rocio Daga Portillo (LMU Munich): Network analysis applied to the collection of legal documents of

the Cathedral of Toledo (11th-14th centuries)
Response / Discussion

16:00 - 17:00 Break / 16:15 - 16:35 Meet Brill
Teddi Dols (Brill): How to publish with Brill

17:00 - 19:00 Session 4: Rulers and Administration
Naïm Vanthieghem (CNRS Paris): P.Lond. IV 1447: an accurate portrait of Abd al-‘Azīz b. Marwān’s ambition to the throne
Hazem Hussein Abbas Ali (Beni-Suef University/Middle Eastern College Muscat): An unpublished letter from Mu‘āwiya b. Abī Sufyān to Caliph Alī ibn Abī Ṭālib after the killing Caliph ‘Uthmān ibn ‘Affān (35/655)
Eugenio Garosi (LMU Munich/Israel Institute for Advanced Studies): Forging a new link: P.HerzfeldSamarra 6 Revisited
Response / Discussion

19:00 - 20:00 Break

20:00 - 22:00 Evening Lecture
Yossef Rapoport (Queen Mary University London): The ‘Ā’idh Bedouin of the Sinai: monks, sultans and tribesmen in St Catherine’s documents (1169 - 1250)

WEDNESDAY, 17 March 2021

13:00 Room open

14:00 - 16:00 Session 5: Reconstructing Institutions
Ofir Haim (Hebrew University of Jerusalem): The Status of Arabic and Persian in early 11th-century eastern Iran: land sale documents from the "Afghan Geniza" as a case study
Gregor Schwarb (Israel Institute for Advanced Studies /SOAS London): Salvaging the vestiges of a Jerusalemite dār ‘ilm in a lesser-known "Cairo Genizah"
Response / Discussion

16:00 - 17: 00 Break / 16:15 - 16:35 Meet De Gruyter
Sophie Wagenhofer (De Gruyter): How to publish: tips and tricks from within the publishing business

17:00 - 19:00 Session 6: Material Culture and Documentation of Everyday Practices
Nicole Hansen: Kyphi on the Tigris and Euphrates: Ancient Egyptian origins of an Arabic recipe from Baghdad
Michail Hradek (LMU Munich): Bent over daftar lists: Investigating the remnants of a merchant’s ledger of a 14th century Jerusalem merchant
Johannes Thomann (University of Zurich): The kharājī calendar in literary and documentary sources
Response / Discussion

19:00 - 20:00 Break

20:00-22:00 Evening Lecture

Marina Rustow (Princeton University): Fatimid documents as a system and as the reflection of a system

THURSDAY, 18 March 2021

13:00 Room open

14:00 - 16:00 Session 7: Labor Contracts and Wrap-up

Jelle Bruning (Leiden University): Slave labour and the administration of Early Islamic Egypt

Belal Abu-Elela and Asmahan Abu-Alassad (Egyptian National Library): A labor employment contract from the collection of the Egyptian National Library

Artur Obłuski and Tomasz Barański (University of Warsaw): A shaykh, a king and a sheep: new Arabic documents from Old Dongola (Sudan)

Response / Discussion

Wrap-up

16:00 - 17:00 Session 8: ISAP General Meeting

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