

Byzantium in Dialogue with China, the Iranian and Arab Worlds

Hilary Term 2024

Time: Wednesdays, 5pm

Seminar convenors: Yuhana Vevaina, Ida Toth, Ine Jacobs

Venue: Ioannou Centre for Classical and Byzantine Studies, 66 St. Giles, Oxford

Teams link: [Click here to join the meeting \(*\)](#)

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| W1, 17 January | Christian Sahner (University of Oxford) – 'How Zoroastrians Debated Muslims in the Early Islamic Period' |
| W2, 24 January | Natalija Ristovska (University of Oxford) – 'The Byzantine Craft of Enamelling and its Links with Islamic Metalwork, c. 800-1204' |
| W3, 31 January | Michael Shenkar (the Hebrew University of Jerusalem) – 'The 'Timeless Empire': Sasanian Iconography as a Historical Source' |
| W4, 7 February | Matt Canepa (University of California, Irvine) – 'Festive Discipline and Punishment in a Global Late Antiquity: The Iranian Political Sensorium as an Afro-Eurasian Technology of Power' |
| W5, 14 February | Alessia Zubani (University of Oxford) – 'Automated Dialogues: Diplomacy, Technology, and Power in Late Antique and Medieval Eurasia' |
| W6, 21 February | Niels Gaul (University of Edinburgh) – 'PAIXUE Byzantine and Tang/Song literati culture' |
| W7, 28 February | Ekaterina Nechaeva (Université de Lille) – 'Elite captives and defectors between Rome and Sasanian Iran. A prosopographical approach' |
| W8, 6 March | Petros Bouras-Vallianatos (National & Kapodistrian University of Athens) – 'Byzantine Medicine in Light of the Global Middle Ages: Current Trends and Future Avenues' |

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