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„TERRAIN RESEARCH OF THE OLD BULGARIAN CAPITALS PLISKA, PRESLAV AND MADARA CULT COMPLEX”

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10.00 OFFICIAL OPENING OF THE CONFERENCE
Addresses to the participants

10.40-11.00
1. Prof. Dr. Sc. Ivan Marazov
The New Bulgarian University, Department “Art Studies and History of Culture”
Earlier contacts between Scandinavia and the Balkans as seen in Gundestrup cauldron

11.05-11.25
2. Prof. Dr. Sc. Vladimir Petrukhin
Institute of Slavic Studies, Russian Academy of Sciences, Department of History of Middle Ages, Russia
Rus’ and Scandinavians on the Balkans in 9th-10th centuries.

11.30-11.50
3. Assoc. Prof. Lena Holmquist
Stockholm University, Department of Archaeology and Classical Studies
Birka’s guard and fortification in light of its contact with the Byzantine cultural sphere

11.55-12.15
4. Prof. Dr. Sc. Istvan Fodor
Honorary Director of Hungarian National Museum
Scandinavian - Hungarian contacts in the 10th - 11th centuries

12.15-12.30 DISCUSSION
12.30-13.30 LUNCH BREAK
25.09.2012 AFTERNOON SESSION FIRST PART, 1st CONFERENCE DAY

13.30 - 13.50
5. D-r John Ljungkvist
Uppsala University, Department of Archaeology and Classical Studies
Scandinavia and Rome between 550-800 AD - the evidence from Byzantine related artefacts

13.55 – 14.15
6. Prof. Dr. Sc. Emiliya Dencheva
St. Clement Ochridski University Sofia, Department of German and Scandinavian Studies
7. Associate Prof. Zarko Zhdrakov
The New Bulgarian University, Department of History, and The National Academy of Arts
Epigraphic monuments of the Goths from Constantinople

14.20 – 14.40
8. Assoc. Prof. Antoaneta Granberg
University of Gothenburg, Department of Languages and Literatures
Gog or Goths. The text transmission of the episode about the "unclean nations" in the Alexander romance

14.45-15.05
9. Assoc. Prof. Pavel Georgiev
National Archaeological Museum and Institute at the Bulgarian Academy of Sciences
Newly discovered monuments of the written culture of the Goths in the 4th-6th c. from the northern foothills of the Balkans

15. 05 – 15.30 KOFFEE-BREAK

25.09.2012 AFTERNOON SESSION SECOND PART, 1st CONFERENCE DAY

15.30 – 15.50
10. Assist. Prof. Boyan Dumanov, PhD
The New Bulgarian University, Head of Department of Archaeology
To bury the dead on the road: The single Gothic graves as evidence of Germanic mobility in the Migration period

15.55 – 16.15
11. Assoc. Prof. Mihailo Milinkovic
Belgrade University, Department of Archaeology at Faculty of Philosophy
Nordische Fünde in Südosteuropa. Ein Beitrag zur Studie der überregionalen Verbindungen in der Völkerwanderungszeit

16.20 – 16.40
12. D-r. Frans-Arne Stylegar
Vest-Agder County Council, Norway
Eastern imports in the Arctic

End of 1st conference day
26.09.2012 **MORNING SESSION** FIRST PART, 2nd CONFERENCE DAY
9.00-9.20
14. Assoc. Prof. Thomas Thomov
Dean of Faculty of Bachelor Programs, The New Bulgarian University
Drakkars in “St. Sofia”

9.25-9.45
15. Prof. Dr. Sc. Elena Mel’nikova
The Institute of World History, Russian Academy of Sciences, Moscow
Head of “Center of Eastern Europe in Antiquity and Middle Ages”
Penetration of Eastern Christianity into Scandinavia: historical memory as reflected in sagas

9.50-10.10
16. D-r Laila Kitzler Åhfeldt
The Swedish National Heritage Board, Department for conservation
Rune carvers connected to Ingvar the Far- Traveller

10.15-10.45
17. Prof. Dr. Sc. Tatjana Jackson
Institute of World History, Russian Academy of Sciences, Moscow
Haraldr, the destroyer of Bulgarians, in Byzantine service: *multa prelia contra Sarracenos in mari et Scitas in terra gessit et divitiis auctus vehementer*

10.45-11.00 DISCUSSION 11.00-11.30 KOFFEE-BREAK

26.09.2012 **MORNING SESSION** SECOND PART 2nd CONFERENCE DAY
11.30-11.50
18. Prof. Dr. Sc. Georgi Atanasov
Director of Regional Archaeological Museum, Silistra
Referring the number of the Rus’-Varangian army of prince Svyatoslav during his raid to Bulgaria in 969-971

11.55-12.15
19. Assoc. Prof. Galina Glazyrina
Institute of World History, Russian Academy of Sciences, Moscow
Gaining glory, wisdom and knowledge: Scandinavians in Byzantium (the case of "Eireks saga víðförla")

12.15-12.35
20. Assoc. Prof. Tvetelin Stepanov
St. Clement Ochridski University Sofia, Department of History
The Giants-motif in Europe, North and South

12.35-12.50 DISCUSSION 12.50-13.30 LUNCH BREAK
26.09.2012 AFTERNOON SESSION FIRST PART, 2nd CONFERENCE DAY
13.30-13.50
21. D-r Charlotte Hedenstierna-Jonson
The National Historical Museum, Stockholm
The Eastern connections of the Birka warrior

13.55-14.15
22. Assoc. Prof. Valery Yotov
Regional Archaeological Museum Varna, Bulgaria
Traces of Scandinavian Warriors’ Presence on the Balkans

14.20-14.45
23. Assoc. Prof. Valerii Sedykh
St. Petersburg University, Faculty of History, Department of archaeology.
Yaroslavl Volga area in the system of international relations during the Early Medieval epoch

14.50-15.10
24. Senior Res. Natasha Eniosova
Moscow State University, Faculty of History, Department. of Archaeology
25. Assoc. Prof. Tamara Pushkina
Moscow State University, Faculty of History, Department. of Archaeology
“Southern” contacts of the early urban centre Gnezdovo in the 10th - early 11th centuries

15.10-15.30 DISCUSSION  15.30-16.00 KOFFEE-BREAK

26.09.2012 AFTERNOON SESSION SECOND PART, 2nd CONFERENCE DAY
16.00-16.20
26. Assist. Prof. Paolo Angelini, PhD
Catholic University, Leuven, Department for Roman Law and Legal History, Faculty of Law
The Code of Dushan 1349-1354 and the influence of Byzantine law and culture in Serbian society in the 14th c.

27. 16.25-16.45
Ny Björn Gustafsson, doctorant
Stockholm University, Department of Archaeology and Classical Studies
Poster

17.00-18.00 FINAL DISCUSSION  CONCLUSION OF THE CONFERENCE
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ACCOMPANYING EVENTS:

EXHIBITION at The Museum of NBU entitled “Serdica is my Rome” financed by Program” Culture” of Sofia Municipality

EDUCATIVE TRAVEL SEMINAR
„Terrain research of the old Bulgarian capitals Pliska, Preslav and the cult complex Madara”
for the students of M.A. program “Comparative Art Studies” and Ph.D. program „Art Studies and Visual Research” at Department of Art Studies and History of Culture, NBU together with participants of the conference

CALLENDAR OF EVENTS

Opening of the conference  25.09.2012, at 10.00 p.m.
Conference sessions dates  25-26.09.2012, 9.00a.m.-18.00p.m.

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