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# POLLUTION AND THE ENVIRONMENT IN ANCIENT LIFE AND THOUGHT



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## THURSDAY, 16/10/2014

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### OPENING

17.30 Introduction  
Orietta Cordovana,  
Gian Franco Chiai

18.00 Key-Note Lecture

KLAUS GEUS (BERLIN)  
ENVIRONMENT AND COMMON SENSE  
GEOGRAPHY IN ANCIENT TEXTS.

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### RECEPTION

## FRIDAY, 17/10/2014

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### FIRST SECTION: ENVIRONMENT, POLLUTION AND LEGAL SOURCES

Chair: Gian Franco Chiai

9.30 Andreas Wacke (Cologne)  
Umweltschutz im römischen Recht?

10.15 Luigi Capogrossi Colognesi (Rome)  
Roman Law and pollution of natural context.

11.00 *Coffee-break*

11.30 Cristina Simonetti (Rome)  
Water use and management in Mesopotamia  
during the 2nd Millennium BC.

12.30 *Lunch*

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### SECOND SECTION: MATERIAL EVIDENCE

Chair: Orietta Cordovana

14.30 Alain Bresson (Chicago)  
Industrial pollution in Greece and Rome.

15.15 J. Donald Hughes (Denver)  
Deforestation and forest protection in the  
ancient world.

16.00 *Coffee-break*

16.30 Jocelyne Nelis Clément (Bordeaux)  
The ecological impact of mass spectacles in  
the Roman World.

17.15 Silvia Polla (Berlin)  
The material evidence of living in a polluted  
environment.

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### CONFERENCE DINNER

## SATURDAY, 18/10/2014

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### THIRD SECTION: ENVIRONMENT, POLLUTION, AND DISEASES

Chair: Silvia Polla

09.30 Elizabeth Craik (St. Andrews)  
Seasons, swamps, and malaria.

10.15 Isabella Andorlini (Parma)  
Environmental diseases according to papyri  
from Egypt and medical thoughts.

11.00 *Coffee-break*

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### FOURTH SECTION: LITERARY AND EPIGRAPHIC SOURCES

Chair: Klaus Geus

11.30 Cinzia Bearzot (Milan)  
Il lessico dell'ecologia.

12.15 Gian Franco Chiai (Berlin)  
Rivers protection in the ancient world  
and the city praise.

13.00 *Lunch*

15.00 Edoardo Bianchi (Milan)  
Floods of the Tiber in Rome under the  
Julio-Claudians.

15.45 Arnaldo Marcone (Rome)  
L'inquinamento della città antica e le  
strategie abitative dell'élite in campagna.

16.30 *Coffee-break*

17.00 Orietta Cordovana (Edinburgh)  
Pliny the Elder and the ancient pollution.

17.45 Luca Montecchio (Rome)  
La cultura dell'ambiente in ambito monastico  
tra V e VIII secolo.

18.30 Conclusions