

The Ptolemaic and Seleucid empires are usually studied separately, or otherwise included into broader studies of the Hellenistic World. The present conference proposes a more systematic comparison of the roles of local elites and local populations in the construction, negotiation, and adaptation of political, economic, military and ideological power of these multi-ethnic empires. They are sufficiently similar to make comparisons valid, while in the process of comparing them differences should become more salient and better explained. Regions that were successively included in the Ptolemaic and then Seleucid empires deserve particular attention, but can only be understood within a broader picture of the ruling strategies of both empires.

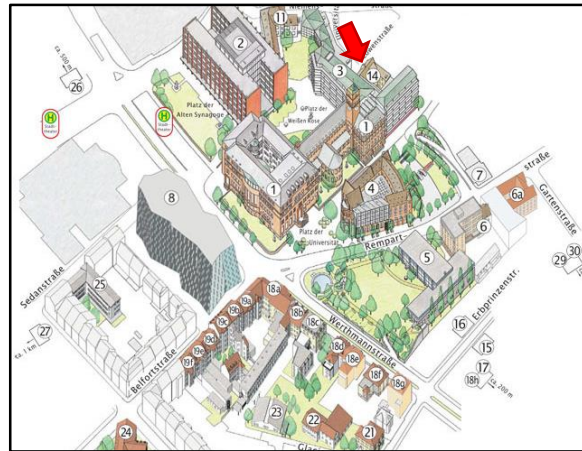
The papers are organized along three main lines of research for examining the role and the level of integration of the local populations. The first line explores forms of communication as can be observed from coins, inscriptions and visual culture. The second explores the effects of settlement policies on the relationship between rulers, immigrants and local populations. The third assesses how local priestly elites collaborated with and resisted against the new ruling classes and immigrant populations. All three lines will shed a different light on the development of communication, monarchic ideology, royal and dynastic cult, as well as on the mediation between competing ruling coalitions.

Comparing the Ptolemaic and Seleucid Empires

The Role of Local Elites and Populations

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Program

Thursday, June 30, 2016

14.00-14.15: Christelle Fischer-Bovet
Sitta von Reden
Introduction and Welcome

I. Communication and Exchange (Part I)

14.15-15.30: Rolf Strootman (Utrecht)
Sitta von Reden (Freiburg)
*Myth, Ritual and Empire:
Ptolemaic and Seleucid Royal
Capitals Compared*

15.30 Tea

16.00-17.00: Ralf von den Hoff (Freiburg)
*The Visual Representation of
Ptolemaic and Seleucid Kings:
Media and Messages*

17.00-18.30: Benjamin Wieland (Freiburg)
Boris Chrubasik (Toronto)
*Kings and Civic Elites in the
Seleucid and Ptolemaic Em-
pires*

18.30-19.00: Dorothy Thompson
(Cambridge)
Response and Discussion

19.45 Supper

Friday, July 1, 2016

II. Integration and Settlements

9.15-10.45: Gilles Gorre (Rennes)
Philippe Clancier (Paris 1)
*The Integration of Indigenous Elites
and the Development of Poleis in the
Ptolemaic and Seleucid Empires*

10.45 Coffee

11.15-12.45: Rachel Mairs (Reading)
Christelle Fischer-Bovet (USC)
*Reassessing Settlement Policies in
the Seleucid and Ptolemaic Empires*

12.45 Lunch

III. Communication and Exchange (Part II)

13.45-15.15: Stefan Pfeiffer (Halle)
Hilmar Klinkott (Heidelberg)
*Indigenous Priests and Kings in
the Ptolemaic and Seleucid Em-
pires: Traditions of Legitimation*

15.15 Tea

15.45-17.15: Frédérique Duyrat (Paris)
Andrew Meadows (Oxford)
*Coinage, Communication and Ex-
change in the Ptolemaic and Se-
leucid Empires*

17.15-18.15: Peter Eich (Freiburg)
*Kommunikation, Siedlungspolitik,
Priestereliten: römische Perspektiven
auf lokale Eliten und Bevölkerungen*

19.45 Conference Dinner

Saturday, July 2, 2016

IV. Collaboration and Resistance

9.15-10.45: Anne-Emmanuelle Veïsse (Paris 1)
Sylvie Honigman (Tel Aviv)
*The Interplay between Dynastic Con-
flicts and Tensions within Local Elites
in the Seleucid and Ptolemaic Empires*

10.45 Coffee

11.15-12.45: Paul Kosmin (Harvard)
Ian Moyer (Michigan)
*Imperial and Indigenous Temporal-
ities in the Ptolemaic and Seleucid
Dynasties*

12.45 Lunch

13.30-14.45: Boris Dreyer (Nürnberg-Erlangen)
François Gerardin (Yale)
*Urban Elites in Western Asia Minor
during the Roman-Seleucid War in
191/0 BCE*

14.45-16.00: Patrick Sängler (Vienna)
Ole Johansen (Freiburg)
*Ethnic Conflicts in the Ptolemaic and
Seleucid Empires*

16.00-16.30: John Ma (Columbia)
Conclusions and Further Perspectives