

International workshop

Religious Secularity at Byblos:

a Laboratory Synthesising the Materiality of the Eastern Mediterranean in the Middle Bronze Age

Programme

9:00-9:15 Greetings and Opening

9:15-9:35

Michel de Vreeze (Durham University)

The Early Bronze Age roots of Byblos' religious economy. Byblos from a regional perspective.

9:35-9:45 Question and discussion

9:45-10:05

Marta D'Andrea (University of Rome "La Sapienza")

Religious Entanglements between Byblos and Western Palestine in the Early and Middle Bronze Age: Overlooked Proxies for Socio-Political Ties?

10:05-10:15 Question and discussion

10:15-10:35

Chiara Pappalardo, Roberta Sanna, Nicola Laneri (University of Catania)

Knowledge Graphs of Material Religion: Connecting the Data from Byblos

10:35-10:45 Question and discussion

10:45-11:15 Coffee Break

11:15-11:35

Julien Chanteau (Musée du Louvre)

Byblos Sacred Space in the Middle Bronze Age

11:35-11:45 Question and discussion

11:45-12:05

Lorenzo Nigro (University of Rome "La Sapienza")

Temples orientation at Byblos and cultural interaction

12:05-12:15 Question and discussion

12:15-12:35

Bianca Eugenia Berti (University of Rome "La Sapienza")

The Temple of Ba'alat at Byblos, a stratigraphic update

12:35-12:45 Question and discussion

12:40-14:40 Lunch Break

14:40-15:00

Alexander Ahrens (Orient Department, German Archaeological Institute)

Salad Bowl or Melting Pot? Egyptian Imports, Egyptianizing Objects, and the Merging of Material Culture and Cultural Traits at Middle Bronze Age Byblos

15:00-15:10 Question and discussion

15:10-15:30

Camilla Saler (University of Pisa)

Egyptian and Egyptianizing Objects in the Votive Deposits of Byblos and their Integration into Local Religious and Social Practices

15:30-15:40 Question and discussion

15:40-16:00

Amel Bouhafs (ENiM - ASM UMR 5140, Paul Valéry University, Montpellier)

"Bi-national deities": Egyptian gods in Byblos? Selection, Appropriation, Translation and Assimilation

16:00-16:10 Question and discussion

16:10-16:30

Gianluca Miniaci (University of Pisa)

Byblos: A Laboratory for Resheph and the Smiting God Iconography

16:30-16:40 Question and discussion

16:40-17:00 Concluding remarks and closing round table

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