

FROM ORIENS CHRISTIANUS TO THE ISLAMIC NEAR EAST



THEOLOGICAL, HISTORICAL, AND CULTURAL CROSS-POLLINATION IN THE EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN OF LATE ANTIQUITY

VENUE

Freie Universität Berlin
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FREE and open to all interested
specialists and Ph.D. students

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SESSION 1

- 13:30 – **Introductory Note**
Mr. Manolis Ulbricht, Freie Universität Berlin
- 13:45 – **Early Shi'ism as a Late Antique Religiosity:
Some Preliminary Remarks**
Dr. Ahab Bdaiwi, Leiden University
- 14:10 – **The Practice of Empire: The View from Khurāsān**
Mr. Ahmad Khan, Universität Hamburg
- 14:30 – Discussion
- 15:00 – Tea Break

SESSION 2

- 15:15 – **The Sophistication of Arguments in Theodore Abū
Qurra's Dialogues with Muslims**
Professor Dr. Reinhold F. Gleis, Ruhr-Universität Bochum
- 15:40 – **Who Wrote the Last Greek Documents in Islamic
Egypt?**
Dr. Lajos Berkes, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin
- 16:00 – Discussion
- 16:30 – **Conference Edited Volume (Discussion of formalities)**
- 16:45 – Tea Break
- 17:00 – **KEYNOTE**
Professor Dr. Johannes Nierhoff-Panagiotidis,
Chair of Byzantine Studies at the Institute for Greek
and Latin Philology, Freie Universität Berlin
- 19:00 – Dinner

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SESSION 3

- 09:00 – **Confronting Ambiguity: Scripture and the
Emergence of Self-Definition Under Early Islam**
Professor Dr. Aaron Hughes, University of Rochester
- 09:25 – **A Tale of Two Conquests: A Local Historian's View of
Islamic Conquest and Byzantine Reconquest Along
the Northern Mesopotamian Frontier**
Dr. Harry Munt, University of York
- 09:50 – **The Tabūk Expedition Revisited**
Mr. Adam Walker, Radboud University
- 10:10 – Discussion
- 10:40 – Tea Break
- SESSION 4
- 10:55 – **The End of Mu'āwiyah's Reign and that of the Whole
World: Retrospective Overview of John Bar Penkāyē**
Ms. Yulia Furman, Russian State University for the
Humanities
- 11:20 – **Theology as History in the Heresiology of John of
Damascus**
Professor Dr. Peter Schadler, Dickinson College
- 11:40 – Discussion
- 12:00 – **Concluding Remarks**
Mr. Manolis Ulbricht, Freie Universität Berlin

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