

pořádají v pátek a v sobotu 11. – 12. září 2015  
u příležitosti 40. výročí úmrtí vynikajícího českého byzantologa

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mezinárodní workshop na téma

LIVES, ROLES AND ACTIONS OF THE BYZANTINE EMPRESSES  
(4<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> c.).



Symposium se bude konat v konferenčním centru **AV ČR Vila Lanna** (Praha 6, V Sadech 1). Hosté jsou srdečně vítáni. Vzhledem k omezenému počtu míst však prosíme, aby se předem ohlásili sekretářce symposia na adrese: [cechova@slu.cas.cz](mailto:cechova@slu.cas.cz). Jejich žádosti budou přijímány do naplnění kapacity, nejpozději však do 7. září.

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**9–10,30 Section 1: The roles of the Byzantine Empresses**

*Chair: Judith Herrin*

- Leslie Brubaker** (Birmingham), Empresses and Agency  
**Katerina Nikolaou** (Athens), Empresses and augustae as wives, lovers and mistresses  
(5<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> c.)  
**Günter Prinzing** (Mainz), Frauen als Garanten machtpolitischer Konstellationen. Ihre  
Rolle und ihr "Stellenwert" beim Abschluss und Scheitern politisch-dynastischer  
Eheverbindungen zwischen Byzanz und seinen Nachbarn

Discussion

*10,30–11 Coffee break*

**11–12 Section 2: Late Antique Empresses**

*Chair: Elisabeth Malamut*

- Judith Herrin** (London), Late Antique Origins of 'the Imperial feminine': Western and  
Eastern Empresses Compared  
**Cecily Hennessy** (London), Galla Placidia: Patronage and Myth

Discussion

*Break*

**14–15 Section 3: Middle Byzantine Empresses of Foreign Origin**

*Chair: Peter Van Deun*

- Lynda Garland** (Armidale), Empress Mart'a–Maria of Alania (c. 1052 – 1103+) and the  
Byzantine 'Natural World'  
**Elisabeth Malamut** (Aix-en-Provence), Margaret-Marie de Hongrie (1185–1223).  
Imperatrice byzantine et reine de Thessalonique: une personnalite troublante

**15–16,30 Section 4: Byzantine and Foreign Empresses in the Neighboring Countries**

*Chair:*

- Katerini Mitsiou** (Athens), A Collapsed Empire and its Empresses: the Case of Nicea  
**Małgorzata Dąbrowska** (Łódź), The Trebizondian Empress in the 14<sup>th</sup> Century  
**Mihailo Popović** (Vienna), Byzantine Princesses and Serbian Rulers in the 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>  
Centuries – A Story to be Told

Discussion

16,30–17,00 *Coffee break*

**17–18 Section 5: Early Life and Afterlife of the Byzantine Empresses**

*Chair: Lynda Garland*

**Despoina Ariantzi** (Mainz), Childhood and adolescence of Byzantine empresses in medieval Byzantium

**Lioba Theis** (Vienna), The empresses and their afterlife

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**9–10,30 Section 6: Byzantine Historiographers on Empresses**

*Chair: Małgorzata Dąbrowska*

**Michael Grünbart** (Münster), Like man, like woman: Byzantine historiographers describe empresses

**Milan Vukašinić** (Paris/Belgrade), “Great is the Imperial Dignity”: Constructing the Image of the First Macedonian Empresses

**Petra Melichar** (Prague), The holy lady and the foreigner: Late Byzantine Empresses under the Pen of Contemporary Historiographers

Discussion

10,30–11 *Coffee break*

**11–12,30 Section 7: Byzantine Empresses in/on Manuscripts, Seals and Coins**

*Chair: Günther Prinzing*

**Peter Van Deun** (Leuven), Markos Monachos and the Byzantine Court

**Christos Tsatsoulis** (Ioannina/Vienna), The Empresses of Byzantium, their role and position, viewed by the evidence of seals

**Pavla Gkantziou-Drápelová** (Athens), Byzantine Empresses on coins in Early Byzantine period (565 – 610): Problems of Interpretation and Identification. A survey

Discussion

Closing remarks: **Leslie Brubaker**

Festive conclusion