



● LVR-Landesmuseum Bonn

Conference Venue:

LVR-LandesMuseum Bonn
Rheinisches Landesmuseum für Archäologie,
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Registration and Conference Fee:

There is no conference fee.
Attendees are required to register by February 6, 2012
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The registration desk at the conference venue opens
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The Complexity of Interaction along the Eurasian Steppe Zone in the First Millennium AD

Empires, Cities, Nomads, Farmers



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Conference Opening

16 c.t. Jan Bemmann, Michael Schmauder (Bonn), Introduction

Session 1. Theory, Climate, Nomads/Barbarians as the “Others”

16.30 Daniel Rogers (Washington), Empire Dynamics in Inner Asia

17.00 Claudio Cioffi-Revilla (Fairfax), Data, Theory, and Agent-Based Modeling of Inner Asian Steppe Polities and Environments

17.30 Nikolai Kradin (Vladivostok), How Nomads Come to Empire

18.00 Pavel Tarasov (Berlin), Climate Change in Central and Inner Asia in the First Millennium AD

Evening Lecture, open to public (in German)

19.30 Johannes Gießauf (Graz), „Er zeigte eine wirklich außergewöhnliche Mischung aus tiefster Befähigung zur Metaphysik einerseits und Grausamkeit andererseits. So war er eindeutig für die Mongolei bestimmt“ – Europäer und die Steppe

20.30 Dinner for Speakers

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Session 2. Xiongnu, the Han Empire and the Oases in the West

9.30 Mayke Wagner (Berlin), Reconstruction of Human Mobility during the First Millennium BC in Eastern Central Asia

10.00 Enno Giele (Tucson), Local Evidence of Xiongnu-Han Interaction from the Deserts of Gansu and Western Inner Mongolia

10.30 Coffee Break

11.00 Bryan K. Miller (Bonn), Negotiating the Frontier: Identity, Cultural Politics, and the Southern Xiongnu Entity

11.30 Ursula Brosseder (Bonn), Dynamics of Communication and Exchange along the “Steppe Highway” in the Centuries around the Turn of the Era

12.00 Lunch for Speakers (cafe DelikArt, LVR-LandesMuseum)

Session 3. Early Turks, Uyghurs, Tang China and Sogdians

13.00 Michael Drompp (Memphis), Strategies of Cohesion and Control in the Türk and Uyghur Empires

13.30 Etienne de la Vaissière (Paris), The Orkhon and the Ötüken, or How to Make the Best of a Bad Bargain

14.00 Thomas O. Höllmann (München), On the Road Again. Diplomacy and Trade from Chinese Perspective

14.30 Guided Tour through the Exhibition „Steppenkrieger – Reiternomaden des 7.–14. Jahrhunderts in der Mongolei“

15.30 Coffee Break

Session 4. Nomads in Central Asia and India during Parthian, Sassanid and Gupta reign

16.00 Timo Stickler (Jena), The Gupta Empire in the Face of the Hun Threat: Parallels to the Late Roman Empire?

16.30 Matthias Pfisterer (Wien), Alkhan and Nezak. Between Nomadic Tradition and Cultural Appropriation

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Session 5. Central and Inner Asia during the 10–12th Century

9.00 Jan Bemmann (Bonn), Cities in the Steppes – Turks, Uyghurs and Mongols in the Orkhon Valley

9.30 Michal Biran (Jerusalem), The Silk Roads in the 10th–12th century. Between China and the Islamic World.

10.00 Jürgen Paul (Halle an der Saale), Khwarazm, the Qarakhitay, and the Qipchaqs. The Struggle between Tekesh and Sultanshah (1172–1193)

10.30 Coffee Break

11.00 Peter Golden (New Brunswick-Piscataway), The Turkic World of Mahmûd al-Kâshgharî

11.30 Tatiana Skrynnikova (Saint-Petersburg), Old-Turkish Roots of Chinggis-khan’s „Golden Clan“. Continuity of Genesis. Typology of Power

12.00 Lunch Break

Section 6. Greek Cities, Rome, Byzantium and the Nomads in the West

13.30 Sören Stark (New York), Between Hephthalites, Sogdians and Tang. Some Observations on the Royal Iconography of the Ashina Turks

14.00 Valentina Mordvintseva (Simferopol’), Barbarians and their Contacts with the Antique Centres in the North Pontic Region (3rd century BC – mid 3rd century AD)

14.30 Coffee Break

15.00 Walter Pohl (Wien), Huns, Avars, Hungarians – A Comparative Approach based on Written Evidence

15.30 Michael Schmauder (Bonn), Huns, Avars, Hungarians – A Comparative Approach based on Archaeological Evidence

Resumée, Final Discussion

16.00 Peter Golden (New Brunswick-Piscataway), Walter Pohl (Wien)

18.00 Dinner for Speakers