



DEUTSCHES
ARCHÄOLOGISCHES INSTITUT

**The Huns between Central Asia, the Near East, and
Europe: The Archaeology of Nomadic Imperialism,
circa 300 CE – 600 CE**

December 1-3 2016,

DAI Berlin, Wiegandhaus, Podbielskiallee 69--71

Program and time schedule

December 1

- 14:00 Welcome and Introduction
Philipp von Rummel (DAI, Head Office Berlin),
Richard Payne (Oriental Institute Chicago)
- 14:30-16:00 Eurasian Approaches to Late Antiquity**
Chair: Walter Pohl (Austrian Academy of Science, Vienna)
- 14:30 **Michael Maas** (Rice University, Houston),
Introducing Eurasian Late Antiquity: A New Approach to a Transitional Age
- 15:15 **Michael Kulikowski** (Penn State, State College),
The History and Archaeology of Global Late Antiquity:
Prospects and Pitfalls of Cooperation
- 16:00 Coffee Break
- 16:30-18:00 Nomadic Empire Formation: New Theories, New Evidence**
Chair: Sven Hansen (DAI, Eurasia Department Berlin)
- 16:30 **Bryan Miller** (University of Oxford),
Adaptive Political Culture in the Xiongnu Regime
- 17:15 **Sabine Reinhold** (DAI, Eurasia Department Berlin),
Crossing Eurasia: On the Archaeology and Cultural History of
Eurasian Communication Routes

20:00 Conference Dinner for Speakers and Chairs
Alter Krug Dahlem, Königin-Luise-Straße 52, 14195 Berlin

December 2

9:00-10:30

Xiongnu, Xwn, and Huns

Chair: Richard Payne (Oriental Institute Chicago)

9:00

Jan Bemann (University of Bonn),

Ursula Brosseder (University of Bonn),

Bryan Miller (University of Oxford),

Michael Schmauder (University of Bonn),

The Xiongnu-Hun Connection – against the Common Opinion

9:45

David Sneath (University of Cambridge),

Tribe or State? Rethinking Evolutionist Models of Hun Society

10:30

Coffee Break

11:00-12:30

Hun Regimes in Central Asia

Chair: Dmitri Korobov (Russian Academy of Science, Moscow)

11:00

Nikolaus Boroffka (DAI, Eurasia Department),

Leonid Sverchkov (Academy of Science of Uzbekistan, Tashkent),

Kakhramon Tepa, Southern Uzbekistan. A 4th-5th Century AD Monument
in Context

11:45

Sören Stark (Institute for the Study of the Ancient World, New York),

Huns in Sogdiana: The Archaeological Perspective

12:30

Lunch Break

14:00-15:30

Hun Regimes in the North Caucasus

Chair: Sabine Reinhold (DAI, Eurasia Department Berlin)

14:00

Murtazali Gadjiev (Russian Academy of Science, Daghestan Center),

Iran vs. Huns: Sassanian Fortification on the Caucasus

14:45 **Dimitri Korobov** (Russian Academy of Science, Moscow),
The Alans of the Kislovodsk Basin (North Caucasus) in the Hun Era

15:30 Coffee Break

16:15-17:45 Hun Regimes in Eastern Europe, I

Chair: Ursula Brosseder (University of Bonn)

16:15 **Igor Gavritukhin** (Russian Academy of Science, Moscow),
The Hun Empire and Eastern Europe: Some Archaeological Evidence and
Perspectives of Interpretation

17:00 **Susanne Hakenbeck** (University of Cambridge),
Practicing Pastoralism in the Agricultural Environment: the Impact of the
Hunnic Incursions on Pannonian Populations

18:00 Reception in the DAI

December 3

9:00-10:30 Hun Regimes in Eastern Europe, II

Chair: Elke Kaiser (Freie Universität Berlin)

9:00 **Gergely Szenthe** (Hungarian National Museum, Budapest),
A New Ritual Assemblage from the Hunnic Period from Telki
(Central Hungary)

9:45 **Erdmute Schultze** (DAI, Eurasia Department Berlin),
Settlement patterns of the fourth and fifth century AD in the forested steppe
of the Northern Black Sea region.

10:30 Coffee Break

11:00-12:30

Material Culture and Political Representation

Chair: Jan Bemman (University of Bonn)

11:00

Betty Hensellek (Cornell University),

The Huns and the Emergence of the Polychrome Kaftan
in Central Eurasia

11:45

Michael Alram (Kunsthistorisches Museum Wien),

From the Nezak Shah to the Turks – the Numismatic Evidence

12:30

Lunch Break

14:00-15:30

The Nomadic Empire of Attila

Chair: Michael Maas (Rice University, Houston)

14:00

Walter Pohl (Austrian Academy of Science, Vienna),

Inventing Empire: Attila in a Eurasian Context

14:45

Timo Stickler (University of Jena),

Die Bedeutung der Hunnen für die Innenpolitik des spätrömischen Reiches

15:30

Coffee Break

16:00-17:30

The Roman Encounter with the Huns Revisited

**Chair: Roland Steinacher (Alfried Krupp Wissenschaftskolleg
Greifswald)**

16:00

Sebastian Schmidt-Hofner (University of Tübingen),

Barbarian Migrations and the economic challenges to the late
Roman landholding elites in the later 4th c.

16:45

Mischa Meier (University of Tübingen),

Der späte Attila und das Ende des ‚Hunnenreiches‘.
Spuren eines verhängnisvollen Strategiewechsels

17:30

Conclusion and Discussion

Stefan Esders (Freie Universität Berlin)

Richard Payne (Oriental Institute Chicago)

Philipp von Rummel (DAI, Head Office Berlin)