



THE HISTORY OF THE ARGEADS – NEW PERSPECTIVES



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In antiquity as well as in modern times, interest in the Macedonian dynasty is mainly focused on Philip II and Alexander III. However, parts of their politics have a long tradition in their empire that is important to analyze. The late Argeads were confronted with problems and formed part of socio-political and cultural structures that developed ever since the beginning of their clan's rule. The aim of this conference is examining the scarce and biased literary evidence of the Argeads from new perspectives, thereby posing new questions and adding recent results from archaeological and numismatic sources. The Argead Empire is not treated as a hermetic phenomenon *per se* but analyzed in its involvement in the history of the Mediterranean world. Thus, a special focus will be on the Persian impact on Macedonia as well as on other influence. The conference will examine important socio-political and cultural facts starting from the foundation myth of the Argead Empire transmitted by Herodotus up to the conquest of the Persian Empire and the question what the Diadochs may have learnt from the Argeads.

WEDNESDAY, 10.06.2015

Forum Atrium, Zentrum für Alte Kulturen, Langer Weg 11, 6020 Innsbruck

17:00 Registration

18:00-18:05 Welcome and Introduction

18:05-18:50 Opening Lecture

Creating an Empire at the Border: Theoretical Reflections (Robert Rollinger, Innsbruck)

19:00 Dinner Buffet

THURSDAY, 11.06.2015

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08:30-08:40 Welcome and Introduction

Section I The Persian Impact on Political Structures at the Border: Comparative Approaches

Chair and Respondent: Frances Pownall (Alberta)

08:40-09:10 Persia, "Skudra" and Thrace (Jeff Lerner, Wake Forest)

09:10-09:40 The Persian Impact on Bithynia, Commagene, Pontus, and Cappadocia
(Christoph Michels, Aachen)

09:40-10:10 Coffee Break

Section II Macedonia's Emergence from Obscurity

Chair and Respondent: Hugh Bowden (London)

10:10-10:40 The Persian Impact on Macedonia (Josef Wiesehöfer, Kiel)

10:40-11:10 Thracian, Illyrian, and Epirotian Influences on Macedonia (Tim Howe,
St. Olaf's College)

11:10-11:40 The Hellenic Impact on Macedonia (Elias Koulakiotis, Ioannina)

11:40-12:10 The Symbolic Capital of the Argead Ruler (Sabine Müller, Innsbruck)

12:10-12:40 Macedonian and Greek Royal Families and the Achaemenids: The Case of the Argeads
and the Cypriot Kings (Panos Christodoulou, Cyprus)

12:40-14:00 Lunch

Section III The Argead Dynastic Profile

Chair and Respondent: Brigitte Truschnegg (Innsbruck)

14:00-14:30 Philip II and the Scythians in the Light of the Alexander Historiography (Reinhold Bichler, Innsbruck)

14:30-15:00 The Macedonian Economy under the Argeads (Kai Ruffing, Kassel)

15:00-15:30 The Argead Marriage Policy (Elizabeth Carney, Clemson)

15:30-16:00 The Argeads and Greek Sanctuaries (Hugh Bowden, London)

16:00-16:20 *Coffee break*

Section IV Courtly Structures and Culture and Macedonia and the Achaemenid Empire

Chair and Respondent: Giuseppe Squillace (Calabria)

16:20-16:50 The Macedonian Military Camp and the King's Tent (Victor Alonso Troncoso, La Coruña)

16:50-17:20 The Role of Greek Literature in Intellectual Macedonian Circles (Frances Pownall, Alberta)

17:20-18:00 The Macedonians and the Babylonian Tradition (Julien Monerie, Paris)

19:30 *Dinner*

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FRIDAY, 12.06.2015

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08:00-08:10 **Welcome and Introduction**

Section VI New Evidence, New Approaches

Chair and Respondent: Tim Howe (St. Olaf's College)

08:10-08:40 Archaeological Evidence (Olga Palagia, Athen)

08:40-09:10 Numismatic Evidence (Johannes Heinrichs, Köln)

09:10-09:40 Argead Body Language in the Attic Orators (Yossi Roisman, Colby College)

09:40-10:10 Argead Body Language in Greek and Roman View (Kordula Schnegg, Innsbruck)

10:10-10:30 *Coffee break*

Section VII Reception

Chair and Respondent: Richard Stoneman (Exeter)

10:30-11:00 The Argeads in the Second Sophistic (Sulochana Asirvatham, New York)

11:00-11:30 Cassander and the Argeads (Franca Landucci Gattinoni, Milano)

11:30-12:00 Concluding Remarks (Richard Stoneman, Exeter)

12:00-12:10 *Farewell and End of Conference*

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