Northern Lights Conference 2019, 26th April – Programme

Friday 26th April

10:00-10:30 – Welcome registration and coffee (Jim McMillan Room)

Chair: Rory Nutter (University of Edinburgh)

12:30-13:30 – Lunch – Plenary session featuring Prof. Gavin Kelly, Dr. David Lewis, Dr. Ulrike Roth and Dr. Matteo Zaccarini (Jim McMillan Room).

13:30-15:30 – Panel One: Understanding Ancient Society
(Chrystal Macmillan Seminar Room 5) – Chair: Ambra Ghiringhelli (University of Edinburgh)


- 14:00-14:30 – Rory Nutter (University of Edinburgh) – Latin on Walkabout: A Re-evaluation of the Spread of Latin in Italy.

- 14:30-15:00 – Emilio Zucchetti (University of Newcastle) - summum esse periculum ne (...) res ad tabulas novas perveniat: social conflict, debt crisis, and the end of the Republic.

- 15:00-15:30 – Thaddeus Thorp (University of Edinburgh) – A broader look at Rome’s Occupational Epigraphy: Patterns and Contrasts in the Western Provinces.

13:30-15:30 – Panel Two: Heroes and Conquerors
(Chrystal Macmillan Seminar Room 4) - Chair: Sam Ellis (University of Edinburgh)

- 13:30-14:00 – Sara Borrello (University of Newcastle) – Rejuvenating a Roman hero: the portrait of Scipio Africanus as saviour of his father.

- 14:00-14:30 – Gladys Mazloum (University of Edinburgh) – Pairing Enemies in Polybius’ Histories.

- 14:30-15:00 – Giacinto Falco (University of Pisa/Edinburgh) - A new chronology for the Athenian and Spartan campaigns in the Ionian Sea of 374-373 BC: the benefits of a combined approach to historical events.

- 15:00-15:30 – Alex Thomas (University of Leicester) – Dionysius the Elder and Demographic Hegemony.

15:30-16:00 – Coffee Break (Jim McMillan Room)
16:00-18:00 – Panel Three: Cult Practices in the Ancient World
(Chrystal Macmillan Seminar Room 4) – Chair: Laura Donati (University of Edinburgh)

- 16:00-16:30 – Zofia Guertin (University of St. Andrews) – Isea in Rome: A diachronic view of Aegyptica.

- 16:30-17:00 – Kevin Stoba (University of Liverpool) – Cutting the bull! Using network analysis to unlock the secrets of the cult of Mithras.

- 17:00-17:30 – Briana King (University of St. Andrews) – “It’s all Greek to Them”: When a Goddess from the East becomes a Goddess of the West.

- 17:30-18:00 – Ambra Ghiringhelli (University of Edinburgh) – Primi inter pares? Slaves and Positions of Authority in Cult Activities.

16:00-18:00 – Panel Four: Near Eastern Empires
(Chrystal Macmillan Seminar Room 5) – Chair: Thaddeus Thorp (University of Edinburgh)

- 16:00-16:30 – John Knight (University of Liverpool) – Migration Theory and Greek ‘Colonisation’. Milesians at Naukratis and Abydos.

- 16:30-17:00 – Sam Ellis (University of Edinburgh) – Greek Conceptualisations of Near Eastern Traditions.

- 17:00-17:30 – Laura Conroy (University of St. Andrews) – Textual Landscapes: Alexander’s Relationship with the Natural World.

- 17:30-18:00 – David McCaffrey (University of Edinburgh) – Patterns of post-conflict settlement within the Seleukid Empire during the 3rd and 2nd centuries BC: Continuity, adaptation or disintegration?

18:00-19:00 – Conference Reception and Closing Remarks (Jim McMillan Room)