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Program

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„Cult and Belief in Ancient Egypt“

22 – 25 September 2012,

Sofia, Bulgaria

22nd September

New Bulgarian University (Sofia)

09:00 – 09:30 Registration

09:30 – 10:00 Opening

Prof. Dr. Sergei Ignatov, Minister of Education, Youth and Science of the Republic of Bulgaria

10:00 – 10:30 Dr. Richard Parkinson (Chair)

Texts, pragmatic reality and religion

Morning Session

10:30 – 10:50 Roberto Diaz Hernandez (University of Tübingen, PhD)

The Rites around the Mastaba according to Ramesseum Papyrus E

11:10 – 11:30 Anne Landborg (University of Liverpool, PhD Candidate)

The composite identity of the dead in Egyptian Coffin Texts

11:30 – 11:50 Daniel Potter (University of Liverpool, MA)

“The hand(s) of the god”: The Lexicalisation of a Religious Idiom

11:50 – 12:10 Cheresse Burke (Copenhagen University, MA)

Advancing the Pharaonic Tradition – Graeco-

Roman Funerary Texts and their roots in the Pyramid Texts, the Coffin Texts and the Book of the Dead

12:10 – 13:30 Cocktail

Afternoon Session

13:30 – 13:45 Prof. Dr. Joachim Quack (Chair)

The place of belief in cultic practice

13:45 – 14:05 Alys Cox (University College London, MA)

Gods, Knowledge, and Power in Ancient Egyptian Stories

14:05 – 14:25 Carlo Rindi (University of Pisa, MA)

Some remarks on the positioning of Ptah-Sokar-Osiris figures in Late Period burials

14:25 – 14:45 Giorgia Cafici (Scuola Normale Superiore, Pisa, PhD Student)

The Pontificate of

Amun at Thebes in the Ptolemaic Period: prosopographical analysis based on the Demotic, Hieroglyphic and Greek documentation

14:45 – 15:05 Ronaldo G. Gurgel Pereira (Universidade Nova de Lisboa – Post-Doc)

Some Remarks on the Book of Thoth: concerning Seshat, Shai and the “invention” of the Hermetic Agathos Daimon

15:05 – 15:25 Paolo Marini (University of Pisa, Scholarship holder)

Shabti-jars and funerary practices

**19:00 – Reception hosted by the Minister of Education Prof. Dr. Sergei Ignatov
At National Institute of Archaeology with Museum**

**23rd September
Bulgarian Academy of Science**

Morning Session

Prof. Dr. Teodor Lekov (chair)

09:30 – 09:50 Barbara Gilli (University of Ca'foscari, Venice, PhD degree)

The cult of Royal ancestors at Karnak in the Middle Kingdom

09:50 – 10:10 Mohamed Megahed (Czech Institute of Egyptology, PhD student)

The altar of Djedkare's funerary temple from south Saqqara

10:10 – 10:30 Hana Vymazalova (Czech Institute of Egyptology, scientific researcher)

Royal cult in the Fifth Dynasty pyramid complexes in Abusir

10:30 – 10:50 Valeria Turriziani (Sapienza University of Rome, PhD Student)

Some reflections on the cult of minor deities during the Old Kingdom: evidences from textual and epigraphic sources

10:50 – 11:15 Coffee break

11:15 – 11:35 Filip Coppens (Czech Institute of Egyptology, PhD)

Cult on the Move. The transmission of cultic concepts in first millennium BC Egypt

11:35 – 11:55 Alba Maria Villar Gomez (Autonomous University of Madrid, PhD student)

The Priesthood of Khonsu in Thebes during the Third Intermediate Period

11:55 – 12:15 Maria Rosa Guasch Jane (Universidade Nova de Lisboa, PhD)

On the orientation of the magical bricks in Tutankhamun's Burial chamber

12:15 – 12:35 Diana Liesegang (University of Heidelberg, MA)

The Phenomenon of "Personal Religion" in the Ramesside Period, from the Poem of Ramses II. Through to the Prayers of Ramses III

12:35 – 14:40 Break for lunch

Afternoon Session

14:40 – 15:00 Dr. Ian Shaw (Chair)

The Small Temple at Gurob: royal cult and ancestor worship at a harem city

15:00 – 15:20 Angelo Colonna (Sapienza University of Rome, PhD Student)

Theoi and Ieroi: some remarks on animal worship in ancient Egypt with reference to classical and Egyptian texts

15:20 – 15:40 Vessela Atanassova (Paris IV – Sorbonne/New Bulgarian University, PhD Student)

The Representations of Priests during the Old and the Middle Kingdoms

15:40 – 16:00 Audrey Degremont (University of Brussels, PhD student)

Religious beliefs and praxis of myth in Theban tombs of the reigns of Thutmose IV and Amenhotep III

16:00 – 16:20 Dan'el Kahn (University of Haifa, PhD)

Remarks on Egyptian Elements in Kushite Religion and Rituals

16:20 – 16:40 Coffee break

16:40 – 17:00 Alessandra Colazilli (Sapienza University of Rome, PhD Student)
Skin in ancient Egyptian belief: Sacred texts and rituals
17:00 – 17:20 Yordan Chobanov (New Bulgarian University, PhD student)
The Presence of the Harper Songs in the Private Tombs of the New Kingdom
17:20 – 17:40 Katharina Aldenhoven (Humboldt University of Berlin, MA)
Throne, Wabet, Daisor Altar? – Some remarks on a unique feature in Kushite Amuntemples

24th September

Morning Session

Dr. Emil Buzov (chair)

09:30 – 09:50 Mladen Tomorad (University of Zagreb, Asst. Prof. PhD)
“Shabtis” – Ancient Egyptian funerary figurines: Classification (typology), findings and role in Ancient Egyptian cults and beliefs during Late and Graeco-Roman periods
09:50 – 10:10 Arlette David (Hebrew University of Jerusalem, PhD)
Hoopoes and Acacias: Decoding an Ancient Egyptian Funerary Scene
10:10 – 10:30 Hannah Pethen (University of Liverpool, PhD student)
The Pharaoh as Horus and the religious context for mineral extraction in the Middle Kingdom
10:30 – 10:50 Joanne Backhouse (Liverpool University, PhD student)
Domestic Cult at Deir el-Medina

10:50 – 11:10 Coffee break

11:10 – 11:30 Kerry Muhlestein (Brigham Young University, PhD)
Pyramid Cult at the dawn of the 4th dynasty: revelations from the excavation of a 4th Snefru pyramid in the Fayoum
11:30 – 11:50 Anne-Christine V. Schnoor (University of Copenhagen, BA)
Function and Context of Wooden Statues in the Old and Middle Kingdoms
11:50 – 12:10 Amgad El Wakeel (Helwan University, MA)
Osiris Beds in Ancient Egypt
12:10 – 12:30 Gabrielle Heffernan (University of Birmingham, MA)
Celebrations of Royalty: Royal Mortuary Cults as Cultural Memory Resources

12:30 – 14:30 Break for lunch

Afternoon Session

14:30 – 15:00 Dr. Eleni Vassilika (Chair)
The Funeral Directors and the tomb of Kha and Merit
15:00 – 15:20 Maksim Lebedev (Institute of Oriental Studies of the Russian Academy of Sciences, PhD)

*Encountering gods of the desert:
the Ancient Egyptians beyond the Nile Valley during the Old and Middle Kingdoms*

15:20 – 15:40 Ilaria Davino (Sapienza University of Rome, MA)
Amon and the God's Wife: the ritual activity at Karnak
15:40 – 16:00 Amr Gaber (Alexandria University, PhD)
A Study on the Cult of BA-nb- +dt in Ancient Egypt
16:00 – 16:20 Hanadah Tarawneh (Macquarie University, Sydney, MA)
Religious thoughts in the Amarna letters

16:20 – 16:40 Coffee break

16:40 – 17:00 Andrea Kahlbacher (University of Vienna, Postgraduate student)
Bon Appétit! Tradition and Innovation in the Offering Table Scene of the Old and Middle Kingdom

17:00 – 17:20 Alice Springuel (Université Libre de Bruxelles, Postgraduate)
Local cults in the oasis of Bahariya

17:20 – 17:40 Maria Silvana Catania (Universidad Nacional de Tucumán-CONICET, Argentina, PhD)

Solar Journey Images in Private Tombs: Material and Symbolic Configuration

17:40 – 18:00 Andrea Fuller (ELTE Department of Egyptology, Budapest, MA)
Cultic Function of Female Bronze Statues in the Libyan Period

Conclusions

Announcing the next Congress

Closing

19:30 Reception at the Museum of Sofia

25th September

Tour to Rila Monastery

Poster Presentations

23-24.09

Bulgarian Academy of Science

Stepien Urszula (Jagiellonian University, Poland, PhD student)

Flint knives without traces of use on the edge from Tell el-Farkha (Eastern Nile Delta) – their function and significance

Nenad Markovic (University of Belgrade)

Death of the Sacred Bull Apis: The Route of the Funeral Procession and its Impact on the Population of Memphis during the Late Period (664-332 B.C.)

Birgit Schiller (Humboldt University of Berlin, PhD student)

Minoan Cultic Practice in Egypt

Ulrich Friesenegger (University of Vienna, BA student)

The divine legitimation of Egyptian Kings

Martin Thygesen Jensen (University of Copenhagen, BA)

The Elevation of Bes from Private Deity to Royal Protector

Marsia Bealby (University of Birmingham, PhD candidate) and **Tom Hobbs** (Nottingham Trent University, MA)
A Lichfieldian in Egypt

Veronika Dulikova (Czech Institute of Egyptology, PhD student)
Unearthing already non-existent tombs at Abusir South

Fruzsina Bartos (ELTE Department of Egyptology, Budapest, MA)
The history of burials in Theban Tomb 65 during the Third Intermediate Period

Karolina Rosinska-Balik (Jagiellonian University, Krakow, PhD candidate)
The administrative-cultic center on Western Komat Tell el-Farkha from an architectural point of view

Magdalena Sobas (Jagiellonian University, Krakow, PhD candidate)
The pottery from the cult room from the Western Komat Tellel-Farkha

Dejan Pernjak & Danijel Struklec (Centre for Croatian Studies)
Egyptian cults in the Croatian territory with special emphasis on syncretic divinities

Silvia Kremenska (New Bulgarian University)
The role of god Seth as a fighter and protector of the sun bark

Milen Milanov (New Bulgarian University)
The Land of Punt and its importance for the incense import

Svetla Ilieva (New Bulgarian University)
Structure and Types of Rubrics in the Coffin Texts and Book of the Dead

Raina Zlateva (New Bulgarian University)
The Concept of PAwt in the Ancient Egyptian Religious Literature

Magdalena Kazimierczak (Jagiellonian University)
The adoption of Egyptian gods cult into Nubia during New Kingdom Period

Svetoslav Mishev
The medicine in Ancient Egypt