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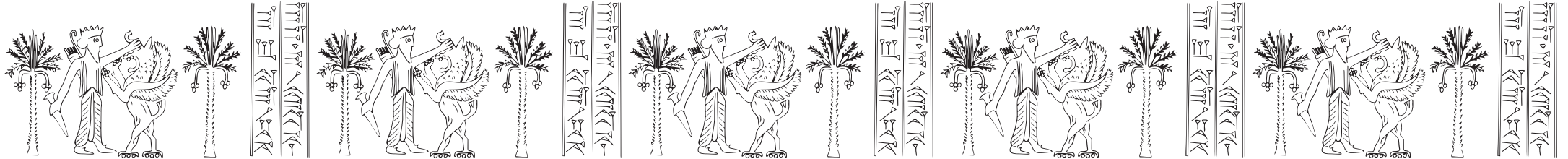


Lekythos, Tel Gamma,  
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# Images in Transition

## The Southern Levant and Its Imagery between Near Eastern and Greek Traditions from 5<sup>th</sup>–3<sup>rd</sup> Century BCE

International Conference at the University of Bern  
23<sup>rd</sup>–25<sup>th</sup> November 2017



## Thursday, 23 November

Hauptgebäude, Hochschulstrasse 4, 3.OG, Raum 304

### Session 1 — Historiographical Perspectives

- 08:30 Registration
- 09:00 **Welcome Address**  
Andreas Wagner (Dean of the Faculty of Theology)
- 09:15 **Introductory Remarks**  
Silvia Schroer and Patrick Wyssmann (Bern)
- 09:30 **The Begin of the "Persian" and "Hellenistic" Periods, and Long or Short Centuries.** E. Axel Knauf (Bern)
- 10:15 Coffee Break
- 10:30 **Iconographic Fusion in the Late Persian and Early Hellenistic Periods in Palestine - Some Chronological Aspects.** Haim Gitler (Jerusalem)
- 11:15 **Die Marseach Inschrift von Bostan esh-Sheiq.** Hans-Peter Mathys (Basel)
- 12:00 Discussion
- 12:30 Lunch Break

### Session 2 — Iconographic Themes

- 14:00 **Göttin und Löwe - eine dauerhafte Liaison.** Silvia Schroer (Bern)
- 14:45 **"Heracles" in the Southern Levant during the Persian Period - Continuity and Change.** Patrick Wyssmann (Bern)
- 15:30 Coffee Break
- 15:45 **Gott als Kind. Konstanten, Variationen und Akzentuierungen eines Bildthemas der ägyptolevantinischen Koine in hellenistischer und römischer Zeit.** Thomas Staubli (Fribourg)
- 16:30 **Bes Vases in Southern Levant during the Persian Period - Trade, Charm or Cult?** Ulrich Hofeditz (Mainz)
- 17:15 Discussion
- 18:15 **Evening Program at the "Antikensammlung Bern"**

## Friday, 24 November

Hauptgebäude, Hochschulstrasse 4, 3. OG, Raum 304

### Session 3 — Media

- 09:00 **"The Last of Their Kind?" Iconographic, Stylistic and Cultural Dynamics Attested on Cylinder Seals from the Biblical Word (6<sup>th</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> Cent. BCE).** Florian Lippke (Fribourg)
- 09:45 **Gods in a Foreign Country. Thoughts on Greek Motifs in the Repertoire of Images of the Ancient Near East.** Philipp Frei (Bern/Basel)
- 10:30 Coffee Break
- 10:45 **The Transition between the Persian and Hellenistic Periods in Idumea and Phoenicia in Light of the Terracotta Figurines.** Adi Erlich (Haifa)
- 11:30 **On Hats, Beards and Clothes...- Reevaluating Typological Indicators in the Case of Southern Levantine Figurines from Persian and Early Hellenistic Times.** Christian Frevel (Bochum) and Katharina Pyschny (Lausanne)
- 12:15 Discussion and Group Photo
- 12:45 Lunch Break

### Session 4 — Archaeological Perspectives

- 14:15 **Achaemenid Court Art in the Hellenistic Levant: Marisa and Jericho.** Winfried Held and Julia Hertzner (Marburg)
- 15:00 **Sidonians at Marisa.** Dalit Regev (Jerusalem)
- 15:45 Coffee Break
- 16:00 **Burial Rites in Transition.** Katarzyna Langenegger (Basel/Hamburg)
- 16:45 **The Late Persian-Early Hellenistic Horizon in Southern Phoenicia: The View from Tel Dor.** Rebecca Martin (Boston)
- 17:30 Discussion
- 18:00 Information Concerning the Planned Conference Volume
- 18:30 **Dinner**

## Saturday, 25 November

UniS, Schanzeneckstrasse 1, Raum A022

### SGOA Meeting: Early Hellenization in the Southern Levant

- 09:00 Arrival: Coffee & Tea
- 09:30 **Welcome Address**  
Mirko Novák (President of the SGOA)
- 09:45 **Introductory Remarks**  
Silvia Schroer & Patrick Wyssmann (Bern)
- 10:00 **Achaemenid to Greek Rule Transition in Palestine: Between Old and New.** Oren Tal (Tel Aviv)
- 11:00 Coffee Break
- 11:15 **Aufstieg und Niedergang der Stadt Sidon.** Rolf Stucky (Basel)
- 12:15 Discussion
- 12:45 Lunch Break
- 14:15 **Identity Writ Small: Seal Imagery in Seleucid Palestine,** Andrea Berlin (Boston)
- 15:15 Coffee Break
- 15:30 **Die figürliche Darstellung bei den Nabatäern. Auf der Suche nach einem Erklärungsmodell.** Stephan Schmid (Berlin)
- 16:30 Discussion
- 17:00 End of Conference



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