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## Annual Conference

28<sup>th</sup>–30<sup>th</sup> July 2011

All Lectures will be held in the Clore  
Centre, British Museum



MBI AL JABER  
Foundation

### ✂ PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME ✂

THURSDAY JULY 28<sup>th</sup> (BP Lecture Theatre)

09:00-09:45 – Initial Registration (*registration will continue for the duration of the Seminar*)

09:45 – Welcome

#### BRONZE AGE TRANSFORMATIONS

Chair: TBC ☞

- ☞ 09:55 - City 'IIF' pottery from excavation 420 at Qal'at al-Bahrayn and Dilmun during the post-IIc period - OLIJDAM, Eric
- ☞ 10:20 - The oasis of Taymā'c in the 2<sup>nd</sup> millennium BC - HAUSLEITER, Arnulf (*DAI, Germany*)
- ☞ 10:45 - Egyptian cultural impact on north-west Arabia in the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 1<sup>st</sup> millennium BC - EICHMANN, Ricardo (*DAI, Germany*) & SPERVESLAGE, Gunnar (*Berlin-Brandenburgische Akademie der Wissenschaften, Germany*)

☞ 11:10-11:40 TEA & COFFEE ☞

- ☞ 11:40 - Renewed Excavations at Tell Abraç (Sharjah, UAE) - MAGEE, Peter (*Bryn Mawr College, USA*) UERPMANN, Hans-Peter (*Tübingen University, Germany*) UERPMANN, Margarethe (*Tübingen University, Germany*) HANDEL, Marc (*Tübingen University, Germany*) & HAMMER, Emily (*Tübingen University, Germany*)

#### LATE PRE-ISLAMIC ARABIA

Chair: TBC ☞

- ☞ 12:05 - Building H at Mleiha: new evidences on the late pre-Islamic period D phase in the Oman peninsula (2<sup>nd</sup> century to mid-3<sup>rd</sup> century AD) - MOUTON, Michel (*CNRS/UMR 7041, France*), TENGBERG, Margareta (*Université Paris 1, France*), LE MAGUER, Sterenn (*Université Paris 1, France*), SOULIÉ, Delphine (*Université Paris 1, France*), BERNARD, Vincent & LE GRAND, M.
- ☞ 12:30 - A first relative chronological sequence for Dūmat al-Jandal (ancient Adummatu). Architectural elements and pottery items - LORETO, Romolo (*Università degli Studi di Napoli 'L'Orientale', Italy*)

☞ 12:55-14:00 LUNCH ☞

- ☞ 14:00 - Dūmat al-Jandal: A synthesis of historical, environmental and archaeological data of a pre-Islamic oasis in Saudi Arabia - CHARLOUX, Guillaume (*CNRS/UMR 8167, France*)

#### EARLY ISLAMIC-MEDIEVAL ARABIA

Chair: TBC ☞

- ☞ 14:25 - Kāzimah in the 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> centuries AD: resources and society as reflected in the literary sources - ULRICH, Brian (*Shippensburg University, USA*)
  - ☞ 14:50 - Investigating an Early Islamic landscape in Kuwait Bay: the archaeology of historical 'Kadhima' - KENNET, Derek (*Durham University, UK*) & BLAIR, Andrew (*Durham University, UK*)
  - ☞ 15:15 - Getting to the bottom of Zabīd - KEALL, Edward (*Royal Ontario Museum, Canada*)
- ☞ 15:40-16:10 TEA & COFFEE ☞
- ☞ 16:10 - The construction of Medina's first wall - MUNT, Harry (*University of Oxford, UK*)
  - ☞ 16:35 - The Great Mosque of Qalhāt rediscovered. Main results of the 2009–2010 excavations at Qalhāt, Oman - ROUGEULLE, Axelle (*CNRS/UMR 8167, France*), CREISSEN, Thomas (*Université de Tours/UMR 6173, France*) & BERNARD, Vincent
  - ☞ 17:00 - Fortified Islamic sites of the Dhamār basin in the central highlands of Yemen - MAHONEY, Daniel (*University of Chicago, USA*)

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#### MBI Al Jaber Foundation Public Lecture

'From the capital of Petra to the provincial city of Hegra: new insights on the Nabataeans'

Laïla Nehmé (*CNRS, France*)

18:30 (BP Lecture Theatre)



# FRIDAY JULY 29<sup>th</sup> 2011

## Parallel Sessions

### (BP Lecture Theatre)

#### PALAEOLITHIC AND NEOLITHIC ARABIA

Chair: TBC ☞

- ☞ 09:30 - **The Aterian in Arabia? A re-examination of the evidence from the perspective of the Saharo-Arabian corridor** - SCERRI, Eleanor (*University of Southampton, UK*)
- ☞ 09:55 - **Technological variability in the Late Palaeolithic of the Najd plateau, Dhofar, Sultanate of Oman** - HILBERT, Yamandú Hieronymus (*University of Birmingham, UK*)
- ☞ 10:20 - **News from FAY-NE15: a stratified Neolithic site in the interior of Sharjah Emirate** - UERPMANN, Margarethe (*Tübingen University, Germany*) DE BEAUCLAIR, Roland (*Tübingen University, Germany*), HÄNDEL, Marc (*Tübingen University, Germany*), KUTTERER, Adelina (*Tübingen University, Germany*) & NOACK, Elisabeth (*Tübingen University, Germany*)
- ☞ 10:45 - **Ra's ʿUshayriq; an important Ubaid multi-occupational site in northern Qatar** - PRICE, Kathryn M. (*Birmingham University, UK*), AL-NAIMI, Faisal Abdullah (*Qatar Museums Authority, Qatar*) & CUTTLER, Richard (*Birmingham University, UK*)

☞ 11:10-11:40 TEA & COFFEE ☞

- ☞ 11:40 - **New perspectives on regional and interregional obsidian circulation in prehistoric and early historic Arabia** - KHALIDI, Lamyia (*American University of Beirut, Lebanon*)
- ☞ 12:05 - **The early settlement of HD-5 at Ra's al-Hadd, Sultanate of Oman (late 5<sup>th</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup> millennium BCE)** - BORGI, Federico (*Università di Bologna, Italy*), MAINI, Elena (*Università di Bologna, Italy*), CATTANI, Maurizio (*Università di Bologna, Italy*) & TOSI, Maurizio (*Università di Bologna, Italy*)
- ☞ 12:30 - **Prehistory and Protohistory of the coastal fringes of the Wahiba Sands and Barr al-Hikmān (Sultanat of Oman)** - CHARPENTIER, Vincent (*CNRS/UMR7041, France*), BERGER, Jean-François (*CNRS, France*) & CRASSARD, Rémy (*CNRS, France*)

### (Stevenson Lecture Theatre)

#### The Nabataeans in Focus

Introduction - Lucy Wadeson (*University of Oxford, UK*)

#### RELIGION & STATUS

Chair: ☞ Laïla Nehmé (*CNRS, France*)

- ☞ 09:30 - **An early Architectural Phase under the Temenos of the Qaṣr al-Bint at Petra** - RENEL, F., MOUTON, Michel (*CNRS, France*), HATTE, Christine (*LSCE, France*), ZAZZO, A., SALIEGE, J.-F. (*CNRS, France*) & GAUTHIER, C. (*LSCE, France*)
- ☞ 09:55 - **The International Aslah Project and Dalman's 'Sanctuaries': new research in Petra** - WENNING, Robert (*Universität Münster, Germany*)
- ☞ 10:20 - **Newly Discovered Nabataean Royal Residences in Petra** - SCHMID, Stephan G. (*Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin, Germany*), BIENKOWSKI, Piotr (*University of Manchester, UK*), FIEMA, Zbigniew T. (*University of Helsinki, Finland*) & KOLB, Bernhard (*Universität Basel, Switzerland*)
- ☞ 10:45 - **Glimpsing the Working Man's Worldview: thoughts on results from the Petra Quarry Marks Survey Project** - TUTTLE, Christopher (*American Centre of Oriental Research, Jordan*)

#### TOMBS & BURIAL CUSTOMS

Chair: ☞ John Healey (*University of Manchester, UK*)

- ☞ 11:40 - **The Funerary Landscape of Petra: results from a new study** - WADESON, Lucy (*University of Oxford, UK*)
- ☞ 12:05 - **Votive Offerings from Nabataean open air Shrines and Burials in Wādī al-Matahah, Petra, Jordan** - JOHNSON, David J. (*Brigham Young University, USA*)
- ☞ 12:30 - **The Tomb Complexes in Petra and in the wider Mediterranean area during the Roman Imperial Period** - PETROVSZKY, Karin (*Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin, Germany*)

☞ 12:55-14:00 LUNCH ☞



# SATURDAY JULY 30<sup>th</sup> 2011

## Parallel Sessions

### (BP Lecture Theatre)

#### ISLAMIC ARCHAEOLOGY (continued)

Chair: TBC ☞

- ☞ 09:30 - **Palace, mosque and tomb at Ruwaydah, Qatar** - PETERSEN, Andrew (*University of Wales, UK*)
  
- ☞ 09:55 - **The Historic occupation of al-Jaww in Bahrain** - AL-SULAITI, Abdulla (*Ministry of Culture, Bahrain*)
- ☞ 10:20 - **The archaeology of Qatar: new directions** - MUHESEN, Sultan (*Qatar Museums Authority, Qatar*)
- ☞ 10:45 - **The settlement patterns and foreign contacts of the Islamic period al-ʿAin oases, Abu Dhabi Emirate, UAE: new perspectives from a quantified study of the ceramics** - POWER, Timothy (ADACH) & SHEEHAN, Peter (ADACH)

#### ARCHITECTURE & INDUSTRY

Chair: TBC ☞

- ☞ 11:40 - **Ancient building materials and construction techniques in Bahrain** - ALMAHARI, Salman Ahmed (*Ministry of Culture, Bahrain*)
- ☞ 12:05 - **Urban structure and architecture of the historical city of Jiddah (Saudi Arabia)** - MANEVAL, Stefan (*Freie Universität Berlin, Germany*)
- ☞ 12:30 - **Dibs of Arabia: the date-syrup industry in the old Emirates** - AL-BEDWAWI, Saif bin Aboud (*Ajman Diwan, UAE*)

#### EPIGRAPHY & ANCIENT SOUTHERN ARABIA

Chair: TBC ☞

- ☞ 14:00 - **Graffiti arabes du Proche-Orient: formes de l'écrit à l'aube de l'Islam** - IMBERT, Frédéric (*IREMAM/Université de Provence, France*)
- ☞ 14:25 - **The South Arabian contribution to the making of Umayyad iconography** - ALI, Nadia (*CNRS/LAMM-C6572, France*)
- ☞ 14:50 - **An archaeological survey of the Farasan Islands, Saudi Arabia** - ZAZZARO, Chiara (*University of Exeter, UK*) & COOPER, John P. (*University of Exeter, UK*)
- ☞ 15:15 - **Zafar 2010: after excavation** - YULE, Paul Alan (*Ruprecht-Karls-Universität Heidelberg, Germany*) & PECCHIOLI, Laura (*Ruprecht-Karls-Universität Heidelberg, Germany*)

☞ 15:40-16:10 TEA & COFFEE ☞

- ☞ 16:10 - **A new evidence of the goddess ʿt(t)rm and some remarks on the deities' gender in South Arabia** - PRIOLETTA, Alessia (*Università di Pisa, Italy*)
- ☞ 16:35 - **New perspectives on the Minaean confession of sins** - AGOSTINI, Alessio (*CNRS/UMR 8167, France*)

### (Stevenson Lecture Theatre)

#### LITERATURE AND SOCIETY

Chair: TBC ☞

- ☞ 09:30 - **Towards an edition with commentary of Soqotri folk literature: the 2010 fieldwork season** - NAUMKIN, Vitaly (*Russian Academy of Sciences, Russia*), KOGAN, Leonid (*Russian State University for the Humanities, Russia*), CHERKASHIN, Dmitry, AD-DAʿRHĪ, Aḥmad (*Soqatra, Yemen*) & AD-DAʿRHĪ, ʿĪsa (*Soqatra, Yemen*)
- ☞ 09:55 - **The traditional Arabic poem as a ritual** - YOSEFI, Maxim (*Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Israel*)
- ☞ 10:20 - **The tribal modern** - COOKE, Miriam (*Duke University, USA*)
- ☞ 10:45 - **Restoration of the mosques of Sāḥ and ʿAynāt: Wādī Ḥadramawt, Yemen** - DAMLUJI, Salma Samar (*Daw'an Mud Brick Architecture Foundation, Yemen*)

☞ 11:10-11:40 TEA & COFFEE ☞

#### OTTOMAN ARABIA

Chair: TBC ☞

- ☞ 11:40 - **Imam ʿAbd Allāh bin Saʿūd in an Ottoman prison: a documentary study** - AL HARBI, Dalal Mukhlid (*Princess Noura Bint Abdul Rahman University, Saudi Arabia*)
- ☞ 12:05 - **Yemeni's opposition to Ottoman rule: an overview** - YACCOB, Abdol Rauh (*Sultan Sharif Ali Islamic University, Negara Brunei Darussalam*)
- ☞ 12:30 - **Personal Memoranda and their Role in Historical Studies** - ALABDULAALY, Huda (*Princess Nora Bint Abdul Rahman University*)

**End of Parallel Sessions - All Lectures now take place in the BP Lecture Theatre**

☞ 12:55-14:00 LUNCH ☞

🕒 17:00 - **New data on Wādī ʿIdim (Eastern Ḥadramawt) in the pre-Islamic period** - FRANTSOUZOFF,  
Serge A. (*Russian Academy of Sciences, Russia*)

⋯\*⋯\*⋯ 17:05 – **Closing Address** ⋯\*⋯\*⋯  
**Robert Carter (Chairman – Seminar for Arabian Studies)**

