

Pots, Pepper, Charcoal and Bread:

the Material Economy of the Eastern Desert in the Ptolemaic and Roman Periods

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Welcome and Plenary *Jennifer Gates-Foster*

Session 1: Journeyscapes

T.O. Moller responds to

“Practical aspects of journeys in the Eastern Desert of Egypt (18th-20th c. AD): a contribution of western travellers' and early scholars' accounts”

Maël Crépy (Histoire et Sources des Mondes antiques, CNRS; ERC Desert Networks Project, CNRS)

7:30-8:15am (PDT)
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Julie Marchand responds to

“Where to Sit Down in the Desert: Landscape-driven analysis of Eastern Desert networks”

Laurel Darcy Hackley (ERC Desert Networks Project, CNRS; University of North Carolina Chapel Hill)

8:15-9:00am (PDT)
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Session 2: Broader Networks

9:05-9:50am (PDT)
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Steven Sidebotham responds to

“Ptolemaic Elephantry: the Military Roots of Red Sea Trade”

Ryan Reynolds (University of California, Berkeley)

9:50-10:35am (PDT)
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Laura Aguer responds to

“How many camels does it take to unload a ship? The Hermapollon again, from a camel perspective”

Katia Schörle (Aix Marseille Université, CNRS, CCJ, Aix-en-Provence, France, Centre Camille Jullian)



Session 3: Small Objects

Joan Oller Guzmán responds to
“Gems in Roman Egypt: Pliny's Vision”
Jordi Pérez González

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Ryan Reynolds responds to
“The Qasr Ibrim Loxodontaphoros: elephant imagery between Egypt and Sudan”
T. O. Moller (Ancient World Research Cluster, Wolfson College Oxford)

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Julien Cooper responds to
“South Asian finds from Berenike, a Ptolemaic-Roman port on Egypt’s Red Sea Shore”
Steven Sidebotham (University of Delaware Newark), Roberta S. Tomber (British Museum)

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Despina Iosif responds to
“Work and Private Life: The Small Objects from the Ptolemaic-Roman Sites of the Eastern Desert”
Mariola Hepa (Ludwig-Maximilians-University Munich; French Archaeological Mission of the Eastern Desert)

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Session 4: Local Economies

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Maël Crépy responds to

“The economy of the Blemmyes, or how to make wealth as a nomad? Notes on the indigenous economies of the Eastern Desert”

Julien Cooper (Research Centre for History and Culture, Beijing Normal University & UIC)

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Mariola Hepa responds to

“Feeding human beings and animals in the desert: food and water supply according to the Greek ostraca of Bi'r Samût (3rd cent. BC)”

Laura Aguer (Collège doctoral [Sorbonne universités] Université Paris-Sorbonne - Paris IV; ERC Desert Networks Project, CNRS)

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Kate Liszka, Bryan Kraemer, and Meredith Brand respond to

“Soldiers, monks and porphyry: Late Roman connexions and materiality of Deir el-Atrash fortlet in the north Eastern Desert”

Julie Marchand (Histoire et Sources des Mondes antiques, CNRS, UMR 5189; French Archaeological Mission of the Eastern Desert)

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Jordi Pérez González responds to

“Roman Money and the Christian Desert”

Despina Iosif (Hellenic Open University, Patras)



Session 5: Mining

Laurel Darcy Hackley responds to
**“Amethyst and other mined minerals at Wadi el-Hudi
 in the Roman Period”**

*Kate Liszka (California State University San Bernardino), Bryan
 Kraemer (California State University San Bernardino), Meredith
 Brand (American University in Cairo)*

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Katia Schörle responds to
**“Quantifying emerald production: mining in the
 Smaragdus region during Antiquity”**

*Joan Oller Guzmán (Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona),
 Sergio García-Dils De La Vega, David Fernández Abella, Vanesa
 Trevín Pita*

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**Discussion of the
 Publication**

Closing Remarks

Laurel Darcy Hackley





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