

Programme

Friday, 26 March 2010

- 9.00-9.20 Welcome
Carolyn Podruchny (York University): *For the Department of History*
Sébastien Rossignol (York University): *Presentation of the Interdisciplinary Association "Gentes trans Albiam – Europe East of the Elbe in the Middle Ages"*
Sunhild Kleingärtner, Ulrich Müller, Donat Wehner (University of Kiel): *Presentation of the Graduate School "Human Development in Landscapes" at the University of Kiel*
Grischa Vercamer (German Historical Institute in Warsaw): *Presentation of the German Historical Institute in Warsaw*
- 9.20-9.35 **Sunhild Kleingärtner, Donat Wehner** (University of Kiel), **Sébastien Rossignol** (York University): *Introduction to the subject "Landscapes and Societies in Ancient and Medieval Europe East of the Elbe. Interactions between Environmental Settings and Cultural Transformations"*
- 9.35-10.15 First Keynote Address
Chair: Richard C. Hoffmann (York University)
Piotr Górecki (University of California at Riverside): *People, land, and settlement "East of the Elbe," 1150–1310: A very large subject in a very small place*
- 10.15-10.25 Discussion
- 10.25-10.45 Coffee break
- 10.45-12.00 Session 1 Colonization, expansion, and the environment
Chair: Sébastien Rossignol (York University)
Corneliu Varlan (Université Laval): *Présence romaine au Nord-ouest de la mer Noire et son impact sur la société et l'environnement de la région*
Artur Blażejowski (University of Wrocław): *Cultural changes in the upper Oder basin in late Antiquity*
Timothy Newfield (McGill University): *The Eastern European origins of early medieval livestock pestilences*
- 12.00-12.30 Discussion
- 12.30-14.00 Lunch

- 14.00-15.15 Session 2 Communications and networks
Chair: Richard C. Hoffmann (York University)
Martin Gravel (Université de Montréal): *Les missi impériaux et la conquête de l'Est: les défis de la communication dans l'expansion orientale de l'Empire carolingien*
Sarah Nelly Friedland (University of Kiel): *Network analysis in Slavonic archaeology – An example from the Plön area in Wagria (Schleswig-Holstein)*
Kai Schaper (University of Kiel): *Cultural landscapes and aspects of Slavonic musical instruments and soundtool*
- 15.15-15.45 Discussion
- 15.45-16.15 Coffee break
- 16.15-17.30 Session 3 Encountering the environment
Chair: Sunhild Kleingärtner (University of Kiel)
Ülle Sillasoo (Tallinn University): *A cultural history of plants in medieval Livonia*
Ulrich Schmölcke (Kiel): *Animals in the ports of trade of the Baltic sea*
Magdalena Wieckowska (University of Kiel): *Settlement history on the basis of pollen analysis in the Middle Ages*
- 17.30-18.00 Discussion

Saturday, 27 March 2010

- 9.00-9.40 Second Keynote Address
Chair: Sébastien Rossignol (York University)
Jüri Kivimäe (University of Toronto): *Colonizing the landscape: a case study of medieval Livonia*
- 9.40-9.50 Discussion
- 9.50-10.40 Session 4 Perception of landscapes
Chair: Donat Wehner (University of Kiel)
Andris Šnē (University of Latvia): *Landscape and long-term change: Sense of place, centrality, and identity in medieval Livonia*
Heidi M. Sherman (University of Wisconsin Green Bay): *Staking the Novgorodian frontier: The Orthodox Christianization of Staraja Ladoga's pagan landscape in the twelfth century*
- 10.40-11.00 Discussion
- 11.00-11.20 Coffee break

- 11.20-12.35 Session 5 Taming of nature
Chair: Ulrich Müller (University of Kiel)
Ben Krause-Kyora (University of Kiel): *"Pig in a poke." Molecular-genetic and archaeological investigations at early mediaeval pigs (Sus scrofa) in North-East-Europe*
Ingo Petri (University of Kiel): *Topography of metal handicrafts*
Daniel Zwick (University of Kiel): *Dynamics for cultural change in the Baltic Sea region in the age of the Northern Crusades: A maritime archaeological perspective*
- 12.35-13.00 Discussion
- 13.00-14.30 Lunch
- 14.30-15.35 Session 6 Social formation and symbolic landscapes
Chair: Colin M. Coates (York University)
Krzysztof Fokt (University of Wrocław): *Archaeological remarks on rural landscapes in Silesia and Upper Lusatia*
Tomasz Gidaszewski, Jarosław Suproniuk, Marta Piber Zbieranowska, Michał Zbieranowski (Institute of History, Polish Academy of Sciences): *Transformations of the natural landscapes of the Upper Noteć Region from the tenth to the sixteenth century*
- 15.35-15.50 Discussion
- 15.50-16.10 Coffee break
- 16.10-17.00 Session 7 Political and social transformations
Chair: Grischa Vercamer (German Historical Institute in Warsaw)
Przemysław Wiszewski (University of Wrocław): *Power, memory and political landscape in the late middle ages*
Cameron M. Sutt (Austin Peay State University): *"The empty land" and the end of slavery: social transformation in thirteenth-century Hungary*
- 17.00-17.20 Discussion
- 17.20-18.00 Session 8 Interaction between physical environment and social landscape
Richard C. Hoffmann (York University): *Summarizing remarks*
- All participants: Interdisciplinary Roundtable Discussion