Greek Colonization and Indigenous Communities: Rethinking Encounters in the Ancient World

Princeton Athens Center, 10–11 July 2024

Organizers: Marc Domingo Gygax (Princeton) and Manuel Fernández-Götz (Edinburgh)







Wednesday 10 July

9:50-10:00 Marc Domingo Gygax (Princeton) and Manuel Fernández-Götz (Edinburgh) Welcome & introduction to the conference

SESSION 1: Theoretical and methodological perspectives

10:00-10:30 Manuel Fernández-Götz (Edinburgh) and Marc Domingo Gygax (Princeton) Understanding the impact of Greek colonization on indigenous communities: Past trends and new directions

10:30-11:00 Tamar Hodos (Sydney) Multi-scalar approaches in globalisation: Causes and effects

11:00-11:30 Coffee break

11:30-12:00 Irad Malkin (Tel Aviv) "Indigenous", "native", "autochthonous", or "local"? Who did the Greeks encounter when founding new cities?

12:00-12:30 Philipp Stockhammer (Munich/Leipzig) Bioarchaeological perspectives on Greek colonialism

12:30-13:00 Discussion

13:00-15:00 Lunch

SESSION 2: Western Mediterranean

15:00-15:30 Teresa Chapa (Madrid) From colonies to markets: Changing concepts about the Greek presence in Iberia

15:30-16:00 Sebastián Celestino, Esther Rodríguez and Guiomar Pulido (Mérida) Archaeology of a myth: Tartessos and the Greek world

16:00-16:30 Benjamin Luley (Gettysburg) Indigenous-Greek interaction and social transformations in Iron Age southern France, ca. 650–300 BC

16:30-17:00 Coffee break

SESSION 3: Central Europe and Balkans

17:00-17:30 Dirk Krausse (Esslingen)

Indigenous societies and Mediterranean influences north of the Alps in the 8th to 4th centuries BC

17:30-18:00 Hrvoje Potrebica (Zagreb)

Eastern Adriatic and beyond – Rise of local communities and Greek colonialism: Change of paradigm

18:00-18:30 Discussion

Thursday 11 July

SESSION 4: Italy

9:30-10:00 Mariassunta Cuozzo (Campobasso) Rethinking Tyrrhenian connections: Pithekoussai, Cuma, Etruria and indigenous communities in Campania

10:00-10:30 Mario Denti (Rennes) The Greeks among the natives: Culture, ritual, and craftsmanship in non-colonial spaces of the southern Italian Iron Age

10:30-11:00 Clemente Marconi (New York/Milan) Colonial encounters in western Sicily: A view from Selinunte

11:00-11:30 Coffee break

SESSION 5: Eastern Mediterranean

11:30-12:00 Kristian Göransson (Gothenburg) Greeks and Libyans in Archaic to Hellenistic Cyrenaica

12:00-12:30 Naoíse Mac Sweeney (Vienna) Locals, migrants, and the invention of colonies in Cilicia

12:30-13:00 Discussion

13:00-15:00 Lunch

SESSION 6: North Aegean and Black Sea

15:00-15:30 Antonis Kotsonas (New York) Greek colonization and indigenous communities: Modelling encounters in the north Aegean

15:30-16:00 Bela Dimova (Padua) Thracian-Greek interactions from a post-colonial perspective

16:00-16:30 David Braund (Exeter) Sharing the colonial environment: Challenges and opportunities in dwelling around the ancient Black Sea

16:30-17:00 Coffee break

FINAL DISCUSSION

17:00-17:30 Jonathan Hall (Chicago) Discussant

17:30-18:00 Final discussion and closing remarks

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