International Conference

“Byzantium and China: Relationships and Parallels”

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PROGRAMME

Saturday

10.00 - 10.30 Registration

10.30 - 11.00 Welcome Greetings
Nikolaos Dendias, Minister of Foreign Affairs
Ioannis Chrysoulakis, Secretary General for Greeks Abroad and Public Diplomacy
Petros Doukas, Mayor of Sparti
Vasileios Koukousas, President of the Hellenic Institute of Byzantine and Post-Byzantine Studies

11.00 Opening of the Conference by the Greek Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs, Mr. Andreas Katsaniotis

11.10 - 11.40 Keynote Speaker: Filippo Ronconi, Associate Professor, École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociale, Paris
"Byzance et la Chine entre comparatisme et contacts historiques. Un champ d'étude en expansion au XXIe siècle"

11.40 - 12.00 Break

12.00 - 13.00 Chair Michail Kordosis
Pang Guoqing, Associate Professor of the Nankai University
“Walking out of the Dark Ages: The Population Crisis of the Byzantine Empire and its Countermeasures in the 7th-9th Centuries”

Vasileios Koukousas, Professor AUTH - Michail Chytiroglou, MSc Chinese Studies, University of Edinburg
“Imperial Worldviews: a Comparison of Byzantium and China”

Guo Yunyan, Associate Professor, Hebei University, Beijing
“Classification of Byzantine Gold Coins and Imitations Found in China”

13.00 - 13.30 Discussion

13.30 Lunch

17.00 - 18.00 Chair Ilias Giarenis
Stefanos Kordosis, Academic Associate, School of Humanities, Social Sciences and Economics, Intern. Hellenic University
“Caesar-Khan? Central Eurasian aspects of the History of the Roman Title of “Caesar” in Pre-Mongol and Post-Mongol Eurasia”

Sunday

10.30 - 11.30 Chair Ioannis Panagiotopoulos
Wu Chingyuan, Assistant Professor, Peking University, Beijing
“Context and Transmission of a Tang Dynasty Coin in Thirteenth Century Corinthis”

Ilias Giarenis, Associate Professor, Ionian University
“Byzantium and Eurasia in the 13th c.: Aspects of Contact and Dialogue”

Lin Lijuan, Assistant Professor, Peking University, Beijing
“Preliminary Notes on the Syriac Version of the Legend of Saint George Found in Turfan”

11.30 - 12.00 Discussion

12.00 - 13.00 Chair Filippo Ronconi
Minqi Chu, Doctor Cand. Sorbonne University - MSc Peking University & Aristotle University
“The Use of Paper in Byzantium: Some Remarks and a Case Study”

Frederick Lauritzen, Historian at the Scuola Grande di San Marco, Venice
“Michael Psellos and China”

Michail Kordosis, Professor Emeritus, University of Ioannina
“Sino-Byzantine Studies: Areas of Research and Future Prospects”

13.00 - 13.30 Discussion

13.30 Conclusions Vasileios Koukousas

14.00 Lunch

15.00 - 18.00 Visit to Mystra

19.30 Dinner