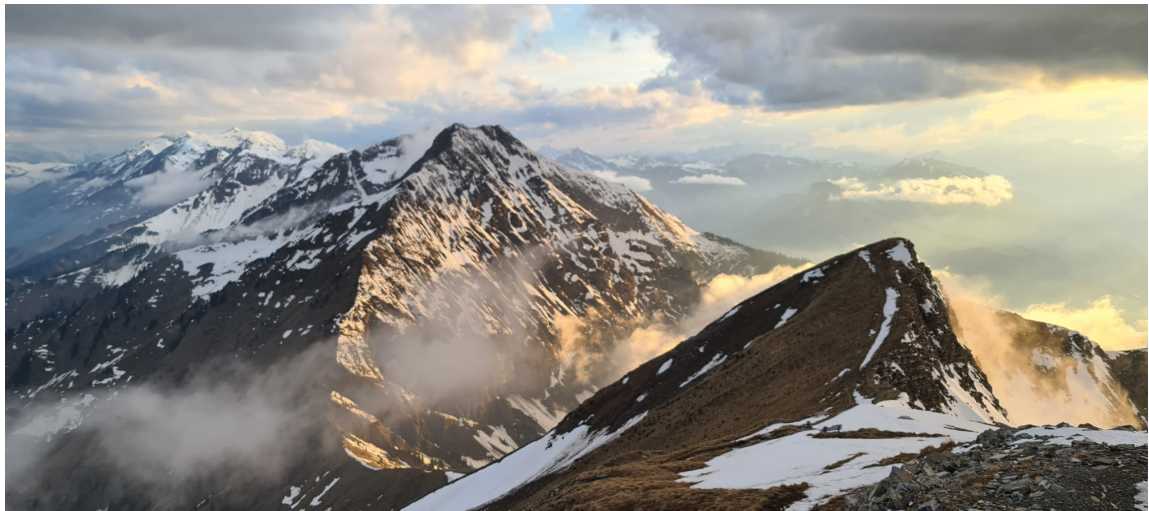


INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE "RESONANCES THROUGH HISTORY"

BIOGRAPHICALLY GROUNDED LITERATURE IN LATE HELLENISTIC AND EARLY IMPERIAL TIMES

24.-26. June 2024



PROGRAM

Monday, 24.6.2024, Uni Hauptgebäude

17:15–18:30 Public Evening Lecture by **Heinrich Detering (Georg-August-Universität Göttingen)**: Biographische Darstellungsformen zwischen Literatur und Religion

ca. 19:00: *Dinner in the Rosengarten Restaurant*

Tuesday, 25.6.2024 in the Haus der Universität

09:00–09:30 Introduction: The Topic of the Conference (Rainer Hirsch-Luipold, Travis Niles, Stefano De Feo, David Staub, Universität Bern)

I. Ancient Literature

09:30–10:15 Formen biographischer Darstellungsweise in der antiken Literaturgeschichte (Martin Hose, LMU München)

10:15–10:45 *Coffee break*

10:45–11:15 Virtue, Fortune, and Divine Intervention in Plutarch's Aemilius – Timoleon (Geert Roskam, KU Leuven)

11:15–11:45 "Such is Human Life" (*Charon* 19): Biographically Grounded Forms in Lucian (Travis Niles, Universität Bern)

11:45–12:15 "It Resembled an Act of Providence, Though it Came about by Chance" (Lucian, *Alexander* 60): The Language of the Divine in Plutarch and Lucian of Samosata. (Stefano De Feo, Universität Bern)

12:15–13:00 Discussion

13:00–14:15 *Lunch break in the Haus der Universität*

II. Authority Figures

14:15–15:00 Divine and/or Human? Biography and the Construction of Philosophical Authority Figures in Imperial Times (Ilinca Tanaseanu-Döbler, Georg-August-Universität Göttingen)

15:00–15:30 Pythagoras the Messenger from the Gods (Johan Thom, Stellenbosch University)

15:30–16:00 *Coffee break*

16:00–16:30 Socrates' Biographies in the Context of Imperial Religious Philosophy and Education Practices (Athanasios Despotis, Universität Bonn)

16:30–17:00 Hermetic Literature: The Many Lives of Hermes Trismegistos (Zlatko Pleše, UNC Chapel Hill)

17:00–17:45 Discussion

17:45–18:15 Jesus the Debutant: First Public Appearance in Ancient Biographies and Mark's Gospel (Kasper Bro Larsen, Aarhus Universitet)

18:30 *Apero and dinner in the Haus der Universität*

Wednesday, 26.6.2024, in the Berghaus Niesen

III. Second Temple Judaism

- 09:00–09:45 When a Human is not the Measure of All Things: God and Humans in Second Temple Judaism (Gregory Sterling, Yale)
- 09:45–10:15 Between Human and Divine: Philo's Biography of Moses in a Roman Context (Maren Niehoff, Hebrew University of Jerusalem)
- 10:15–10:45 Resonating Highlights, Highlighting Resonances: Biographical Aspects in the Remembrance of Solomon (Nancy Rahn, Universität Bern)
- 10:45–11:15 *Coffee break*
- 11:15–11:45 Eve as Exemplar in the Greek Life of Adam and Eve (Jack Levison, SMU Dallas)
- 11:15–12:30 Discussion
- 12:30–13:30 *Lunch break in the Berghaus*

IV. New Testament and Early Christianity

- 13:30–14:15 Die Jesusvita als Gottesgeschichte. Die Reden der Apostelgeschichte als Schlüssel zum Lukasevangelium (Reinhard Feldmeier, Georg-August-Universität Göttingen)
- 14:15–14:45 Biographische Formate in der neutestamentlichen Briefliteratur (Samuel Vollenweider, Universität Zürich)
- 14:45–15:15 Lives of the Apostles or Foundation Narratives? (Tobias Nicklas, Universität Regensburg)
- 15:15–15:45 Discussion
- 15:45–16:15 *Coffee break*

V. Wirkungsgeschichte

- 16:15–16:45 In Erwartung der Zerstörung. Nonnenbiographien für die Posteriorität (Angela Berlis, Universität Bern)
- 16:45–17:15 Handel's *Messiah*: The Biography of a Theological Idea (Rainer Hirsch-Lupold, Universität Bern/Benjamin Hartmann, Salzburg)
- 17:15–17:45 The Tree of Jesse: Genealogy and God's Work in Theological and Iconographical Representations (Georgiana Huian, Universität Bern)
- 17:45–18:15 Discussion
- 18:15–18:45 Concluding Reflections and Prospects for Future Research
- 18:30 *Dinner at the Berghaus*

Return to Bern

Diskutanten: Christoph Riedweg und Benjamin Schliesser

Thursday, 27.6.2024, Departure Day