



**University of Edinburgh**  
**School of History Classics and Archaeology**  
**The Ninth A. G. Leventis Conference in Greek**  
**Ancient Greek History and Contemporary Social Science.**  
**12-15 November, 2015**

**Thursday 12 November**

4pm Registration and coffee

5.00 Welcome

5.15 Opening Lecture:

Josiah Ober (Edinburgh/Stanford)

**Friday 13 November**

8.30 Registration

**Morning Session: Rules and Norms**

9.30-11.00

Mirko Canevaro (Edinburgh) "Majority rule vs. consensus: the practice of deliberation in the Greek poleis"

Federica Carugati (Indiana) and Barry R. Weingast (Stanford) "Rethinking 'Mass and Elite': A New Model of Athenian Litigation"

Sara Forsdyke (Michigan) "Ancient & Modern Conceptions of the Rule of Law"

11.00 Tea and coffee

11.30-1.00

Benjamin Gray (Edinburgh) "Approaching the political thought of the Hellenistic polis through modern political theory"

Commentator: Paul Cartledge (Cambridge)

Discussion

1.00 Lunch

**Afternoon Session: Theory and Method**

2.00-3.30

Robert K. Fleck and F. Andrew Hanssen (Clemson) "What can Data drawn from the Hansen-Nielsen Inventory tell us about Political Transitions in Ancient Greece?"

David Lewis (Edinburgh) "Behavioural Economics and Economic Activity in Classical Athens"

Carl Hampus Lyttkens and Henrik Gerding (Lund) "Understanding the politics of Perikles around 450 BC. The benefits of an economic perspective."

3.30 Tea and coffee

4.00-5.30

Peter van Alfen (American Numismatic Society) "Muddle wrestling: grappling for conceptual clarity in archaic money"

Commentator: Stephen Haber (Stanford)

Discussion

**Saturday 14 November**

**Morning Session: Interstate Relations**

9.30-11.00

Peter Liddel (Manchester) "The possibility of trans-community political activity in fourth-century Greece"

Polly Low (Manchester) "Hegemonic Legitimacy (and its Absence) in Classical Greece and Beyond"

David Teegarden (State University of New York at Buffalo) "The Koinon Dogma and the Consolidation of the Democratic Revolutions in mid 5th Century Sicily."

11.00 Tea and coffee

11.30-1.00

Christian Mann (Mannheim University) "The nature and function of athletic prizes in ancient Greece."

Commentator: Ian Morris (Stanford)

Discussion

1.00 Lunch

## **Afternoon Session: Associations and Innovation**

2.00-3.30

Diane Harris Cline (George Washington) “Actor Network Theory, Entanglement, and Social Network Analysis: The Periclean Building Program and the Transformation of Athenian Society and Politics in the Fifth Century BC.”

Vincent Azoulay and Paulin Ismard (Paris) “Athens in 403: An Attempt at Choral History”

Ingvar Maehle, (Bergen) “Patronage in Ancient Sparta: A comparative perspective.”

3.30 Tea and coffee

4.00-5.30

Kim van Liefferinge (Stanford) “Technology and Society in Classical Athens: A study of the social context of mining and metallurgy at Laurion.”

Commentator: Jon Hesk (St. Andrews)

Discussion

## **Sunday 15 November**

### **Final Session: Property and Inequality**

9.30-11.00

Emily Mackil (Berkeley) “Property Security and its Limits in Ancient Greece”

Claire Taylor (Wisconsin-Madison) “Economic (in)equality and democracy: the political economy of poverty in Athens”

James Kierstead and Roman Klapaukh (Wellington, NZ) “The Distribution of Wealth and Power in Classical Attica: Some Regressions and Visualizations”

11.00 Tea and coffee

11.30-1.00

Commentator: Alain Bresson (Chicago)

Discussion

Overview: John K. Davies (Liverpool)

1.00 Lunch

End of conference