MONDAY, DECEMBER 12
THE HEBREW UNIVERSITY OF JERUSALEM
Mt. Scopus, the Maiersdorf Conference Center, Room 405

16:30 Gathering

17:15 Greetings
Prof. Eli Lederhendler, Vice-Dean for Research, Faculty of Humanities

Dr. Domenico Agostini, Polonsky Academy, at the Van Leer Jerusalem Institute; on behalf of the organizing committee

17:30-18:50 Apocalyptic and Eschatological Traditions
Chair: Shaul Shaked

Antonio Panaino (University of Bologna)
The “Trepidation” of the Sun, the 57 Years of the Resurrection and the Late Mazdean Speculations on the Apocalypse

Domenico Agostini (Polonsky Academy, at the Van Leer Jerusalem Institute)
Reassessing the Afterlife in Pahlavi Literature

19:00 Buffet Dinner

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13
THE HEBREW UNIVERSITY OF JERUSALEM
Mt. Scopus, the Maiersdorf Conference Center, Room 501

9:30-11:30 History and Economy
Chair: Frantz Grenet

Michael Shenkar (The Hebrew University of Jerusalem)
The Coronation of the Early Sasanians

Aleksander Engeskaug (SOAS, University of London)
From Crops to Cash: The Role of Money and Trade in the Economic System of the Zoroastrian Fire Endowments in Sasanian Iran

Nikolaus Schindel (Austrian Academy of Sciences)
Continuity and Discontinuity in the Numismatic Landscape of Early Islamic Iran

11:30 Coffee break
11:50-13:10 Interreligious Connections
Chair: Geoffrey Herman
Tzvi Langermann (Bar-Ilan University)
The Risala Haruniyya of Masih b. al-Hakham: Some Persian Elements in the Treatise, and the Possible Significance of the Treatise for the History of Jewish Sectarianism
Ofir Haim (The Hebrew University of Jerusalem)
Early Judeo-Persian Bible Exegesis and Its Connection with Judeo-Arabic Exegetical Literature

13:15 Lunch

14:30-16:30 Archaeology and Conquests
Chair: Amikam Elad
Gideon Avni (Israel Antiquities Authority/The Hebrew University of Jerusalem)
The 614 CE Sasanian Conquest of Palestine – an Archaeological Overview
Yuri Karev (CNRS/Ecole Normale Supérieure)
Sasanian Heritage and Abbasid Power in Māwarāʾannahr: Last Data and 3D Reconstruction of the Mid-Eighth-Century Palace in Samarqand
Dietrich Huff (German Archaeological Institute)
The Slow Return of Sasanian Traditions in the Architecture of Early Islamic Iran

16:30 Coffee break

16:50-18:10 Middle Persian Literature
Chair: Julia Rubanovich
Götz König (Ruhr-Universität Bochum)
On the Sources of Ādurfarrbay and Mardānfarrox
Kevin T. van Bladel (The Ohio State University)
Written Middle Persian Literature under the Sasanids

19:00 Dinner (Invitees only)

Wednesday, December 14
The Van Leer Jerusalem Institute
43 Jabotinsky St., Polonsky Academy, Room 207

10:30 Gathering

10:50 Greetings
Prof. Gabriel Motzkin, Director of the Van Leer Jerusalem Institute

11:00-12:20 Religious Continuity
Chair: Domenico Agostini
Miguel Ángel Andrés Toledo (University of Salamanca)
Sleeping Adam through Christian, Islamic and Zoroastrian Traditions
Shaul Shaked (The Hebrew University of Jerusalem/ The Israel Academy of Sciences and Humanities)
Shi’ite Dissimulation and some Zoroastrian Connections

12:30 Lunch

14:00-16:00 New Research on Sasanian Art
Chair: Michael Shenkar
Matteo Compareti (Renmin University of China)
Specimens of Sasanian Sculpture Recently Found in Iran
Rina Talgam (The Hebrew University of Jerusalem)
The Sasanian Origin of Umayyad Sculpture and Architectural Decoration: A Reassessment
Frantz Grenet (Collège de France)
Aegypto-Sasanidica: Two Works of Sasanian Propaganda Connected with the Conquest of Egypt

16:00 Concluding Remarks: Shaul Shaked

Academic Committee: Domenico Agostini; Julia Rubanovich; Shaul Shaked; Michael Shenkar

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