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*Roman Fresco from the Villa of P. Fannius Synistor
at Boscoreale, ca. 50–40 B.C.
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THURSDAY 26/09/2019

14:00 **Monika Trümper (Freie Universität Berlin)**
Dominik Maschek (University of Oxford)
Introduction and welcome talk

SESSION I: CONSTRUCTION AND ECONOMIC THEORY

Chairperson: Monika Trümper

14:20 **Dominik Maschek (University of Oxford)**
“Our sources desert us [...], and archaeology cannot help.” Some thoughts on why we need an ‘architectural turn’ in studying the ancient economy

15:10 **Neville Morley (University of Exeter)**
The economics of urban infrastructure

16:00 **Tea and coffee**

16:20 **Natalia Toma (Deutsches Archäologisches Institut Berlin)**
Estimating ancient construction processes. Epigraphical and archaeological data vs. 19th century building manuals

17:10 **Seth Bernard (University of Toronto)**
Food, energy, and Roman architectural production

18:00 **RECEPTION**

FRIDAY 27/09/2019

SESSION II: PROCUREMENT AND TRANSPORT OF BUILDING MATERIALS

Chairperson: Dominik Maschek

09:00 **Christopher Courault (Université de Genève)**
Économie et réutilisation de matériel dans la construction au cours de l'Antiquité tardive. Une réflexion sur les remparts de Cordoue (Espagne) et de Genève (Suisse)

09:50 **Caterina Previato (Università degli Studi di Padova)**
The economic impact and the dynamics of stone supply in construction processes: the case study of early Imperial Aquileia (Italy)

10:40 **Tea and coffee**

11:00 **Anna Gutiérrez Garcia-Moreno (Institut Català d'Arqueologia Clàssica, Tarragona)**
Local stones & remote marbles for monumental architecture in Roman Tarraco

11:50 **Mike Schnelle (Deutsches Archäologisches Institut Berlin)**
Considerations regarding building processes, logistics and economic aspects of South Arabian monumental architecture from the 1st Millennium BC – the Almaqah-Temple of Yeha (Ethiopia) as a case study

13:00 **Lunch**

SESSION III: ECONOMICS OF THE BUILDING PROCESS

Chairperson: Janet DeLaine

14:00 **Francesca Bologna (King's College London)**
The economics and logistics of Roman wall painting: workforce, materials, demand

14:50 **Miko Flohr (Universiteit Leiden)**
Once more on the Tufa Façades of Pompeii

15:40 **Tea and coffee**

16:00 **Hélène Dessales (École normale supérieure, Paris)**
Corner quoins techniques in Roman masonry walls: experiments and innovations at Pompeii

16:50 **Cathalin Recko (Universität zu Köln)**
Considering building economy at the Forum of Pompeii

19:00 **SPEAKERS DINNER**

SATURDAY 28/09/2019

SESSION III: ECONOMICS OF THE BUILDING PROCESS

Chairperson: Janet DeLaine

09:00 **Simon Barker, Courtney Ward (Det norske institutt i Roma)**
The Economics of constructing republican tombs: the case of Gaius Cestius and his Pyramid

SESSION IV: THE SOCIO-ECONOMIC IMPACT OF CONSTRUCTION

Chairperson: Neville Morley

09:50 **Javier Domingo (Pontificia Università della Santa Croce, Roma)**
Il costo di costruire nel mondo antico, una fattore decisivo?

10:40 **Tea and coffee**

11:00 **Marguerite Ronin (University of Oxford)**
Construction, collapse, reconstruction. The business of housing speculation and its constraints in Roman urban centres

11:50 **Moritz Hinsch (Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin)**
Greek accounting in the 4th c. BCE: The evidence of the buildings accounts of Epidauros and Delphi

12:40 **Final discussion**

FAREWELL