

Staatlichkeit and *stateness* in the Premodern World

The conference aims to distinguish different dimensions of statehood in order to break open the debate about state or non-state in the pre-modern world.

Central to this is the aspect of the penetration of an entity (*stateness*) and the question of specific governance actors. This will be discussed not only in Greco-Roman antiquity, but also from Ancient Egypt to the early Middle Ages, from the Parthians to Byzantium.

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Wednesday, 4. June

- 14:30 **Welcome & Introduction**
- 14:45 **Staatlichkeit and Stateness**
Christoph Lundgreen (Dresden)
- 15:45 Coffee Break

Section I – „the Classics“

Chair: Douglas Cairns (Edinburgh, Dresden Fellow)

- 16:15 **Athens and Beyond**
Edward M. Harris (Durham)
- 17:15 **Late Republican and Early Imperial Rome**
Rene Pfeilschifter (Würzburg)
- 18:15 **Comment & Discussion**
Hannes Ziegler (Dresden)
- 18:45 Transfer to Dinner

Thursday, 5. June

Section II – Early Empires

Chair: Christoph Lundgreen (Dresden)

- 09:00 **Ancient Egypt**
Juan Carlos Moreno García (Paris)
- 10:00 Coffee Break
- 10:30 **Assyria**
Eva Cancik-Kirschbaum (Berlin)
- 11:30 **L'État, c'est moi – Social Networks and the Fabrics of Stateness in Achaemenid Central Asia.**
Marco Ferrario (Trento)
- 12:30 Lunch Break
- 13:30 **Stateness in Ancient Iran between Parthians and Sassanians**
Henning Börm (Rostock)
- 14:30 **Comment & Discussion**
Nikita Dhawan (Dresden)
- 15:00 Visit to Skulpturensammlung and Altstadt, Dinner

Friday, 6. June

Section III – Post-Roman World and Beyond

Chair: Amy Russell (Brown University, Dresden Fellow)

- 09:00 **Byzantium**
John F. Haldon (Princeton)
- 10:00 **Early Middle Ages**
Bernhard Jussen (Frankfurt am Main)
- 11:00 Coffee Break
- 11:30 **Stateness – A Global Perspective**
Walter Scheidel (Stanford)
- 12:30 **Comments & Discussion**
- 13:30 Lunch / Sandwiches to Go