

# Work, Labor and professions in the Roman World

## Program

Gent 30 May – 1 June, 2013  
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Thursday, 30<sup>th</sup> May

9:00 Welcome

9:30 K. Verboven, Work, labor and professions: what's in a name ?

### SESSION 1. LABOR RELATIONS

- 10:00, Walter Scheidel, *Slavery and forced labor in ancient China and the ancient Mediterranean*
- 10:30, Arjan Zuiderhoek, *Slavery, unfree Labour and wage Labour in the Roman East/Roman Asia Minor*
- 11:00 discussion

11:20 coffee

- 11:40 Cameron Hawkins, *Building a Business in Ancient Rome: Coercion, Contracts, and the Boundaries of Roman Manufacturing Firm*
- 12:10, Claire Holleran, *Finding work: the hiring of free labour in the city of Rome*
- 12:40 Discussion

13:00 lunch

- 14:00 POSTER PRESENTATIONS
- 14:30 Seth Bernard, *Mobilizing the Roman Builder: Scale, Structure, and Economic Performance in the Imperial Construction Industry*

15:00 coffee

- 15:30, Laurens Tacoma & Miriam Groen-Vallinga, *The value of labour: Diocletian's Price Edict*
- 16:00 Discussion

Friday 31 May

## SESSION 2. ORGANIZATION, SPECIALIZATION, SKILLS AND LEARNING

- 10:00 Christian Laes, *Educators in Christian inscriptions*
- 10:30 Elisabeth Murphy, *Roman Workers and their Workplaces: Some Archaeological Thoughts on the Organization of Workshop Labor*
- 11:00 Discussion

11:20 Coffee

- 12:10 Nicolas Tran, *Ars and Doctrina: the Socioeconomic Identity of Roman Skilled Workers*
- 12:40 George Grantham, *A search equilibrium model for specialization and trade*

13:10 Lunch

- 14:00 Discussion

## SESSION 3 PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS (COLLEGIA)

- 14:20 Koenraad Verboven, *Professional associations and organizing the urban population*
- 15:10 Jinyu Liu, *Work, Occupations, and Group Membership: a Conceptual Analysis*
- 15:40 Discussion

16:00 coffee

- 16:10 Sarah Bond, *Ignominy and Monetarii: Mint Workers in the Later Roman Empire*
- 16:40 Discussion

Saturday 1 June

## PART 4. IDENTITIES AND IDEOLOGIES

- 10:00 Miko Flohr, *Work, ideology and identity in urban space*
- 10:30 Kyle Harper, *Money, Wages, and Fairness in the Later Roman Empire*
- 11:00 Discussion

11:20 coffee

- 11:40 Catharina Lis & Hugo Soly, *Attitudes to Work and Workers in the Ancient World and the Middle Ages: Change or Continuity?*
- 12:00 discussion
- 12:20 Feedback report by expert panel and project discussion