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HYBRID CONFERENCE

WHO WAS POOR IN PHARAONIC EGYPT AND ITS NEAR EASTERN NEIGHBOURHOOD SOCIAL STRATIFICATION AND VISIBILITY ACCORDING TO TEXTS, PICTURES AND ARCHAEOLOGY

A conference taking place within the framework of the FWF-Project (V 883-G):
Representations and Reality of Poverty in Ancient Egypt. The Poor, their Identities and their Practices organised by:
- Delphine Driaux (University of Vienna)
- Bettina Bader (Austrian Academy of Sciences)

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PROGRAMME

WEDNESDAY, 04 SEPTEMBER 2024

Opening of the Conference

16.30–17.30 **Registration**

17.30–17.35 **Delphine Driaux** | University of Vienna
Bettina Bader | Austrian Academy of Sciences
Welcoming Word

17.35–17.45 **Mario Gavranović** | Austrian Academy of Sciences
Opening Address

Keynote Lecture

17.45–18.45 **Margaret Maitland** | National Museums Scotland
*Poverty, Stigma, and Inequality: Evidence from Middle Kingdom
Egyptian Visual and Textual Culture*

18.45–19.00 **Discussion**

19.00 **Reception**

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THURSDAY, 05 SEPTEMBER 2024

Session I: Studying the Poor: Introduction, Social Sciences & Theories

- 09.00–09.45 **Delphine Driaux** | University of Vienna
Writing the History of the Poor: An Introduction to a Complex Field of Study
- 09.45–10.15 **Beatriz Jiménez Meroño** | Universidad Autónoma de Madrid
Aporophobia in the Two Lands? On Poverty and Social Exclusion in Ancient Egypt
- 10.15–10.45 **Lorenzo Verderame** | Sapienza, Università di Roma
Poverty in Ancient Mesopotamia

10.45–11.15 **COFFEE BREAK**

Session II: Poverty, Texts & Words (Part I)

- 11.15–11.45 **Aml Mahmoud** | Egyptian Ministry of Tourism and Antiquities
Poverty in Ancient Egypt: A Literary Reflection of a Prevalent Issue
- 11.45–12.15 **Francisco L. Borrego Gallardo** | Universidad Autónoma de Madrid
"Love me!": On the Speeches of the Poor in Ancient Egyptian Texts

12.15–14.00 **LUNCH BREAK**

Session II: Poverty, Texts & Words (Part II)

- 14.00–14.30 **Alessandro Piccolo** | Sapienza, Università di Roma
Stay Hungry, Stay Poorish. The Association between Hunger and Poverty in the Ancient Egyptian Language
- 14.30–15.00 **Giorgio Paolo Campi** | University of Warsaw
Hunger, Tears, Laughs and Blows. Embodied Poverty as Metaphorical Device in The Poor Man of Nippur

15.00–15.30 **Ahmed Altaher** | Centre franco-égyptien d'étude des temples de Karnak; Egyptian Ministry of Tourism and Antiquities
Graffiti as a Form of Self-representation for the Poor

15.30–16.00 **COFFEE BREAK**

Session III: Poverty & Representations

- 16.00–16.30 **Romane Betbeze** | Humboldt University of Berlin
Elite Women, Poor Women: The Intersection of Gender and Social Group in the Old Kingdom Textual and Visual Culture
- 16.30–17.00 **Léa Henrich** | Sorbonne Université
Unkempt Hair, Shaggy Beard: Hair in the Image of the Poor in Ancient Egyptian Funerary Depictions

FRIDAY, 06 SEPTEMBER 2024

Session IV: Poverty & Society

- 09.00–09.30 **Danijela Stefanović** | University of Belgrade
If I am a Cook, do you count me as a Poor Person?
- 09.30–10.00 **Linda Hulin** | University of Oxford
Fish, Fishing and Poverty in Egypt and the Levant
- 10.00–10.30 **Thais Rocha da Silva** | University of São Paulo; University of Oxford
Poverty at Home? Community Life and Social Status in New Kingdom Egypt
- 10.30–11.00 **COFFEE BREAK**
- Session V: Poverty & Settlement Archaeology**
- 11.00–11.30 **Georg Cyrus** | NINO Leiden
"The Wretched of the Earth" – Who were the Poor in the Neo-Assyrian Empire?
- 11.30–12.00 **Bettina Bader** | Austrian Academy of Sciences
Assessing Social Stratification in Egyptian Settlements: An Attempt to Visualize non-Elite people in Archaeology
- 12.00–12.30 **Agnieszka Rys-Jarmużek** | University of Warsaw
Lukasz Jarmużek | University of Warsaw
Investigating Economic Inequality in Provincial Settlement: A Case Study of the Third Intermediate Period (XI-VII cent. BC) Tell el-Retaba (Egypt)
- 12.30–14.00 **LUNCH BREAK**

Session VI: Poverty & Funerary Archaeology

- 14.00–14.30 **E. Christiana Köhler** | University of Vienna
The Cemetery of Helwan – A Case Study for understanding Lower and Middle Class Funerary Identities in the Early 3rd Millennium BCE
- 14.30–15.00 **Lea Rees** | University of Oxford
Social Topographies. Mapping Social Hierarchies in Ancient Egyptian Landscapes
- 15.00–15.30 **COFFEE BREAK**
- 15.30–16.00 **Claudia Venier** | Université de Liège
Poor Tombs or Tombs of the Poor? Questioning Social Stratification in the Funerary Equipment of Women's Burials at Medinet el-Gurob during the New Kingdom
- 16.00–16.30 **Marisol Solchaga** | University of Manchester
Archaeological Evidence of the Cult of the Dead in Middle Kingdom "Poor" Burials
- 16.30–17.45 **General Discussion**
- 17.45–18.00 **Delphine Driaux** | University of Vienna
Bettina Bader | Austrian Academy of Sciences
Closing Remarks
- 19.30 **Dinner for the participants**