

THURSDAY, 21 February 2019
Theatersaal der ÖAW, Sonnenfelsgasse 19, 1010 Wien

9¹⁵ **Welcome**
Michael ALRAM *Vice President of the Austrian Academy of Sciences*

The VISCOM Experience

9³⁰-10¹⁵ **Visions of Community:** The Project and its Methodological Implications
Walter POHL *Project Speaker* & Andre GINGRICH *Deputy Project Speaker*

Experiences in Comparative and Interdisciplinary Research
Chair: Konrad PETROVSZKY

10¹⁵-11⁰⁰ **Late Medieval Central Europe:** Urban Communities by Comparison.
Comments on a VISCOM Work in Progress
Christina LUTTER & Károly GODA

New Impulses from Late Medieval Dalmatia: Addressing Community in Social Practice, and its Relevance for Comparing Society, Statehood and Religion in Interdisciplinary Contexts
Oliver SCHMITT & Fabian KÜMMELER

11⁰⁰-11³⁰ COFFEE

Chair: Christina LUTTER

11³⁰-13⁰⁰ **New Insights for Yemen's Islamic History, and their Relevance for VISCOM's Comparative Agenda**
Andre GINGRICH & Odile KOMMER

Early Medieval Europe in a Global Context: Ethnicity and Religion
Walter POHL & Reinier LANGELAAR

The Religious within Religion: Spiritual Communities across Medieval Eurasia
Birgit KELLNER & Rutger KRAMER

13⁰⁰-14⁰⁰ LUNCH

Comparing Comparative Experiences I

Large Collaborative Projects
Chair: Magdalena MOORTHY-KLOSS

14⁰⁰-16⁰⁰ **Asia and Europe in a Global Context:** The Heidelberg Cluster of Excellence
Monika JUNEJA, *Heidelberg*

Eurasian Empires: Integration Processes and Identity Formations (NWO Project)
Jeroen DUINDAM, *Leiden*

16⁰⁰-16³⁰ COFFEE

Chair: Elisabeth GRUBER

16³⁰-17³⁰ **Power and Institutions in Medieval Islam and Christendom (PIMIC)**
& future project of Eduardo Manzano, *Identifying the Blocks that Build Global History in the Middle Ages (Global Professorship, University of St. Andrews/CSIC)*
Ana RODRIGUEZ & Eduardo MANZANO, *Madrid*

FRIDAY, 22 February 2019
Sky Lounge (Universität Wien), Oskar-Morgenstern-Platz 1, 1090 Wien

9⁴⁵ **Welcome**
Heinz ENGL *Rector of the University of Vienna*
Artemis VAKIANIS *Vice President of the FWF*

Comparing Comparative Experiences II

Research Networks and Large Grants
Chair: Max DIESENBERGER

10⁰⁰-12⁰⁰ **Defining the Global Middle Ages** (AHRC Networking Grant)
Naomi STANDEN, *Birmingham*

The Legal Status of Religious Minorities in the Euro-Mediterranean World, 5th-15th Centuries (RELMIN)
& ERC Synergy Grant: *The European Qur'an: Islamic Scripture in European Culture and Religion*
John TOLAN, *Nantes*

12⁰⁰-13⁰⁰ LUNCH

Global Comparison – Methodological and Contextual Problems, and How to Deal with them

Introductory Papers
Chair: Gerda HEYDEMANN

13⁰⁰-14³⁰ **Models and Comparison** • Chris WICKHAM, *Oxford*
Global Byzantium • Leslie BRUBAKER, *Birmingham*
Adventures in Synthesis • Robert MOORE, *Newcastle*

14³⁰-15⁰⁰ COFFEE

Panel : Large Projects in the Global Middle Ages – Chances and Problems
Chair: Oliver SCHMITT

15⁰⁰-16³⁰ *Introductory Statement:* Conrad LEYSER, *Oxford*
Junior Perspectives: Dan MAHONEY; Gerda HEYDEMANN;
Veronika WIESER; Kateřina HORNÍČKOVÁ
Senior Views: John TOLAN; Eduardo MANZANO;
Monica JUNEJA; Ana RODRIGUEZ
Concluding Statement: Naomi STANDEN

16³⁰-17⁰⁰ BREAK

Chair: Walter POHL

17³⁰-18³⁰ **After VISCOM – Where do we go from here?**
Andre GINGRICH; Birgit KELLNER; Christina LUTTER; Oliver SCHMITT
Concluding Statement: Walter POHL

