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Comparative Analysis I

Winter term 2014 / 2015, Thursdays 8:15 – 9:45 a.m.
MPI, small seminar room

- 16.10.2014 **Michael G. Müller**
Reading: Bloch, Marc. 1967. A Contribution towards a Comparative History of European Societies. In: Land and Work in Mediaeval Europe. Selected Papers by Marc Bloch, London: Routledge, pp. 44–81.
- 23.10.2014 **Andreas Pečar**
Reading: Weber, Max. 2007. The Types of Legitimate Domination [1914]. In: Craig Calhoun et al. (eds.), Classical Sociological Theory, Oxford: Blackwell, pp. 256–263.
- 30.10.2014 **Christoph Brumann**
Reading: Brumann, Christoph. 2003. „All the Flesh Kindred that Ever I See“: a reconsideration of family and kinship in utopian communes, Comparative Studies in Society and History 45, pp. 395–421.
- 13.11.2014 **Alessandro Testa,**
University of Pardubice
The Samnites and Their Religiosity

Reading suggestions: Testa, Alessandro. 2010. Le culte des Samnites à la lumière de la comparaison indo-européenne. Une interprétation relative aux nouvelles découvertes archéologiques de Pietrabbondante”. In *Folia Electronica Classica*, n. 20, 2010; link: <http://bec.fltr.ucl.ac.be/FE/20/TM20.html>.
- 20.11.2014 **Dittmar Schorkowitz**
Reading: Herz, Dietmar. 2004. The concept of 'political religions' in the thought of Eric Voegelin. In: Hans Maier (ed.), Totalitarianism and political religions, London: Routledge, pp. 158–175.
- 27.11.2014 **Hans-Georg Stephan**
Reading: Slupecky, Leszek/ Valor, Magdalena. 2007. Religions. In: James Graham-Campbell and Magdalena Valor (eds.), The archaeology of Medieval Europe I: eighth to twelfth centuries AD, Aarhus: Aarhus University Press, pp. 366–397.
- 04.12.2014 **François Bertemes**
Reading: Peregrine, Peter N. 2004. Cross-Cultural Approaches in Archaeology: comparative ethnology, comparative archaeology, and archaeoethnology, *Journal of Archaeological Research*, 12.3, pp. 281–304; Smith, Michael E./ Peregrine, Peter. 2012. Approaches to Comparative Analysis in Archaeology. In: Michael E. Smith (ed.), The Comparative Archaeology of Complex Societies, Cambridge: University Press, pp. 4–20.
- 11.12.2014 **Rubina Raja**
University of Aarhus
Reading religious identity through material culture: the case of the banqueting tesserae in Palmyra

Reading: Kaizer, Ted. 2002. The Religious Life of Palmyra: a study of the social patterns of worship in the Roman period, Stuttgart: Franz Steiner, pp. 213–256; pp. 261–264.

Student Presentations

- 08.01.2015 ***Simon Krause-Heiber***
Monarchy, theocracy, hierocracy? Political theologies in Early Judaism
- 15.01.2015 ***Ditte Hiort***
Altars in the Decapolis region, 1st century B.C.E. – 5th century C.E. Religious remedies in context: typology, ritual practice, and societal patterns.
- 22.01.2015 ***Tim-Felix Grünwald***
Causewayed Enclosures of the Funnel Beaker Culture. The Meaning of Ritual, Cult and Religion in restricted areas.
- 29.01.2015 ***Anja Lochner***
„Symbolic power“ – „Symbol power“: Celtic „early style“ and its ritual, cultic and identity-forming significance
- 05.02.2015 ***Giuseppe Tateo***
Branding the Holy in Bucharest: How to build the new capital of Orthodox Christianity