

The Departments of History of the Universities of Ghent and Antwerp are happy to invite you to a three-day international conference on:

**Long-Distance Trade in Greco-Roman and Premodern European and Muslim Eurasia and Mediterranean**

Thu. 15 – Sat. 17 September 2016  
Antwerp and Ghent

A conference and publication project of the international research network 'Structural Determinants of Economic Performance in the Roman World' (Flanders Research Foundation)

Organised by Koenraad Verboven (UGent), Wim Broekaert (UGent), Peter Stabel (UAntwerp), Jeroen Puttevils (UAntwerp).

For more information please check our website:

<http://www.rsrc.ugent.be/SDEPactivities/LongDistanceTrade>

Participation is free but registration is required (otherwise we will not be able to guarantee that there will be enough coffee, tea and biscuits ...). Please do so by sending an email to [Koen.Verboven@ugent.be](mailto:Koen.Verboven@ugent.be) or [Jeroen.Puttevils@uantwerpen.be](mailto:Jeroen.Puttevils@uantwerpen.be). If you wish to participate in the lunches please contact the same \*before 1 September 2016\*

Provisional programme:

**Thursday, 15 Sept. 2016**

Antwerp, City Campus, room D015, Grote Kauwenberg, 21, 2000, Antwerpen

10:00 K. Verboven and P. Stabel, Welcome and introduction

Session 1 Institutions and institutional change

- 10:15 Alain Bresson, Transacting in the Ancient Greek World
- 10:45 Kai Ruffing, Market Systems in the Roman Empire
- 11:15 Discussion

11:45 coffee break

- 12:15 Jean-Jacques Aubert, The Roman jurists on long-distance trade
- 12:45 Discussion

13:00 lunch

- 14:00 Ulf Christian Ewert, Simple, but efficacious: Institutions of trade at the periphery of late medieval Europe
- 14:30 Lars Boerner and Battista Severgnini, Epidemic Trade
- 15:00 Discussion

15:30 coffee break

- 16:00 Jessica Goldberg, Business organization and the economy in the Medieval Mediterranean
- 16:30 Discussion

## **Friday, 16 Sept. 2016**

Ghent, Plateauzaal, Joseph Plateaustraat, 9000 Gent

Session 2 Mercantile communities, networks and organisations

- 10:00 Wim Broekaert, Occupational associations and monopolies in the Roman economy
- 10:30 Jeroen Puttevils and Peter Stabel, Florentine Traders in Bruges and Antwerp
- 11:00 Discussion

11:30 coffee

- 12:00 Travis Bruce, Translating the Divide: Dragomans as Cultural Mediators in the Thirteenth-Century Mediterranean
- 12:30 Discussion

12:45 lunch

- 14:00 Francisco Apellaniz, Malacca to Antwerp : Late Mamluk-Venetian Networks and the Twilight of Medieval Eurasian Trade, c.1500
- 14:30 Roxani Margariti, Wakil al-tujjar: Go-Betweens in the maritime trade of the medieval Indian Ocean

15:00 coffee

- 15:30 Discussion

## **Saturday, 17 Sept. 2016**

Ghent, Koninklijke Academie voor Nederlandse Taal- en Letterkunde, Koningstraat 18, 9000 Gent

SESSION 3. Information tools and management

- 10:00 Koenraad Verboven, Bankers and other financial intermediaries as information trustees and managers in the Roman world
- 10:30 Yadira Gonzalez de Lara, The Impact of Formal Monitoring on Financial Development: From Debt to Equity in Late Medieval Venice

11:00: coffee

- 11:30 Discussion

12:00 General discussion with

- Peter Fibiger Bang
- Oscar Gelderblom

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