

Monday, June 23

9<sup>00</sup>**Introduction**

Walter POHL

**Medieval China and the Foreign Dynasties**9<sup>15</sup> - 10<sup>30</sup>Nicola DI COSMO – **The Contrast between the Chinese Inner Asian Periphery of China in the early Han and the early Tang**Michael DROMPP – **The »peripheries« Related to the Chinese [Sui-Tang] and Turkic [Türk-Uyghur] Frontier**10<sup>30</sup> - 11<sup>00</sup> Coffee**The Inner Asian Fringes of the Sassanid Empire**Richard PAYNE – **The Making of Turan: Iranian Institutions in the Service of Hun and Turk State**11<sup>00</sup> - 13<sup>00</sup>**The Abbasid Caliphate and the Formation of New Dynastic Structures**Jürgen PAUL – **Buyids and Others: Dailamite and Kurdish Lords and the Abbasid Caliphate**Bas TER HAAR ROMENY – **Ethnicity, Religion, and Sovereignty in Twelfth-Century Melitene: A Note on Michael the Syrian**13<sup>00</sup> - 14<sup>00</sup> Lunch**Byzantium and its Peripheral States**Johannes PREISER-KAPPELLER – **Power, Identity, Mobility and Ecology in the Early Medieval Armenian Highlands (5<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> cent.): Dynamics and Continuities**14<sup>00</sup> - 16<sup>00</sup>**The Later Roman Empire and the post-Roman Kingdoms in the West**Stefan ESDERS – **In the Shadow of the Roman Empire: Layers of Legitimacy and Strategies of Legitimation in the Western regna**Walter POHL – **The Role of Ethnicity in the Post-Roman Kingdoms**

16:00-16:30 Coffee

**The Carolingian Empire and the Emerging States in its Northern and Eastern Periphery**16<sup>30</sup> - 17<sup>45</sup>Helmut REIMITZ – **The Carolingian Politicization of Ethnic Identity in the Eastern Periphery of the Frankish Kingdoms**Ildar GARIPZANOV – **Peripheral Polities North of the Carolingian Realm: The regnum Danorum**

17:45-18:15 Coffee

18<sup>15</sup> - 18<sup>45</sup>**Final Discussion**