



## Languages and Cultures in Contact in the Ancient Mediterranean

### February 21

10:00 – 10:30 Registration  
10:30 – 10:40 Introduction

#### Session 1 (Contact Linguistics and Cultural Studies)

10:40 – 11:20 P. Cotticelli & A. Rizza - *The anthropological conception of the Hittites*  
11:20 – 12:00 V. Sadovski - *Cursed poets and poetics of cursing: Patterns and diffusion of oral and written ritual spells for malediction and benediction in Graeco-Roman, Levantine and Indo-Iranian cultural spaces*  
12:00 – 12:40 C. Consani - *Per una tipologia dei documenti bi-/plurilingui antichi*

12:40 – 14:00 Lunch

#### Session 2 (Languages and Writings of Ancient Anatolia)

14:00 – 14:40 H.C. Melchert - *The Phoenician-Luvian Bilingual of Karatepe Revisited*  
14:40 – 15:20 M. Giorgieri - *The contacts between Hurrian and Akkadian*  
15:20 – 16:00 S. de Martino - *The Hurro-Hittite Bilingual "Song of Release"*

16:00 – 16:20 Coffee

#### Session 3 (Section title TBA)

16:20 – 17:00 D. Romagno - TBA  
17:00 – 17:40 M. Mancini - [working title: Iranian/Aramaic contact]  
17:40 – 18:20 L. Melazzo - *Transfers from Old French and Old English to Latin in the Harley Glossary (Ms. British Museum 3376)*

19:30 – Conference Dinner

### February 22

#### Session 4 (Languages and Writings of Mesopotamia)

09:00 – 09:40 W. Sallaberger - *Who wrote Sumerian, who Akkadian in Southern Mesopotamia? The entanglement of language use and ethnic entities*  
09:40 – 10:20 G. Selz - *Considerations on phonetization and interpretation of cuneiform logograms as a language contact phenomenon*  
10:20 – 11:00 F.M. Fales - *Neo-Assyrian - A 1st millennium language (or dialect) at a crossroads with Babylonian and Aramaic*

11:00 - 11:20 Coffee

#### Session 5 (Cultures and Texts of the Ancient Near East)

11:20 – 12:00 S. Ponchia & G.B. Lanfranchi - *The language of power at the Syro-Anatolian crossroad in the first centuries of 1st millennium BC*  
12:00 – 12:40 F. Giusfredi, S. Merlin & V. Pisaniello - *Phraseology and literary topoi between the Aegean, Anatolia and the Ancient Near East*  
12:40 – 13:20 C. Mora - *Composite contexts and crossing cultures in Central-Southern Anatolia and northern Syria in the 1st millennium BCE*

13.20 – 14:20 Lunch

#### Session 6 (Classics)

14:20 – 15:00 M. Giangiulio - *Multiculturalism in archaic and classical Sicily: Linguistic interference in context*  
15:00 – 15:40 L. Prandi - *Le cavalle del re e l'acqua di Bisanzio*  
15:40 – 16:20 A. Mastrocinque - *Tyre as a multicultural city in the Severan age*

16:20 – Round table (coordinator: Fales)