

The Northern Babylonian Region of Irsagrig and Malgum

Current Research and Future Perspectives

Università di Bologna, November 28-29, 2023

Program

Tuesday, November 28

Welcome (9:30–9:45)

Palmiro Notizia (Università di Bologna) and Manuel Molina (CSIC, Madrid)

Opening Session (9:45–10:45)

Laith Hussein, Director of the State Board of Antiquities and Heritage of Iraq
Hanan Hamza, Head of the Cuneiform Department, Iraq Museum, Baghdad

Break: 10:45–11:15

Archaeological Research

Chair: Laith Hussein

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| 11:15–11:45 | Lucio Milano (Università Ca' Foscari Venezia) and Candida Fellì (Università degli Studi di Firenze)
<i>Investigations in the land of Malkum: new results from the Wasit Survey Project</i> |
| 11:45–12:15 | Eleonora Mariani, Valentina Orrù, Marco Valeri (Università di Bologna)
<i>The QADIS Survey Project: Settlements patterns and pottery assemblages from the region of Irsagrig and Malgum</i> |
| 12:15–12:45 | Carlo Lippolis and Maurizio Viano (Università degli Studi di Torino)
<i>Tulūl al Baqarat-Kesh: the settlement and its surroundings</i> |
| 12:45–13:15 | Maurizio Viano (Università degli Studi di Torino)
<i>Irsagrig Reloaded: Some thoughts about the location of Irsagrig in light of recent studies</i> |

Lunch: 13:15–14:30

Current research on cuneiform tablets in the Iraqi museums. I

Chair: Walther Sallaberger

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| 14:30–15:00 | Jacob Jawdat (Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München)
<i>Malgum, from the kingdom to diaspora: A perspective on some Old Babylonian social aspects</i> |
| 15:00–15:30 | Abather Rahi Saadoon* (Al-Muthanna University) and Mark Weeden* (University College London)
<i>The fields of Tell al-Wilayah as seen from the cuneiform sources</i> |
| 15:30–16:00 | Ari Kamil* (Salahaddin University, Erbil)
<i>The Ruling family of Adab during the 21st Century BC. New evidence</i> |

Break: 16:00–16:30

History and Philology. I

Chair: Steven Garfinkle

- 16:30–17:00 Piotr Steinkeller* (Harvard University)
A New Inscription of Nûr-Eštar and Its Implications for the Early History of the Malkum Kingdom
- 17:00–17:30 Walther Sallaberger (Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München)
Urmes of Irisaĝrig returns to office: royal politics and the unique documentation of a provincial palace
- 17:30–18:00 Bertrand Lafont (CNRS, Paris)
On the roads to Elam... again

Wednesday, November 29

Current research on cuneiform tablets in the Iraqi museums. II

Chair: Jacob Jawdat

- 9:00–9:15 Hayman Noori Fattah* (Sulaymaniyah Museum)
Six Ur III texts from Irisaĝrig in the Sulaymaniyah Museum
- 9:15–9:30 Wafaa Hadi Zwaïd* (University of Baghdad)
Expenditure tablets from the archive of Irisaĝrig
- 9:30–9:45 Abdel-Mukrem Mahmoud Mohamed Al-Ezzi* (Kirkuk Directorate of Education)
Republishing and studying Sargonic and Ur III cuneiform tablets from the Iraq Museum

Break: 9:45–10:15

History and Philology. II

Chair: Lucio Milano

- 10:15–10:45 Li Zhi (Sun Yat-sen University)
Royal messengers and royal roadhouses in Irisaĝrig
- 10:45–11:15 Steven Garfinkle (Western Washington University)
Merchants on the frontier: Patterns of non-institutional activity at Irisaĝrig, social networks and the growth of state power in early Mesopotamia
- 11:15–11:45 Manuel Molina (CSIC, Madrid)
Crafts and Treasures in Irisaĝrig
- 11:45–12:15 Noemi Borrelli (L'Orientale, Università di Napoli)
The Fields of Irisaĝrig: Agricultural Administration in Central Babylonia
- 12:15–12:45 Palmiro Notizia (Università di Bologna)
Animal husbandry at Irisaĝrig in the Ur III and early Old Babylonian periods

Closing session: 12:45–13:00

Lunch: 13:00–14:30

* = remote presentation



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