



## Tracing the local(s). The local world of Mediterranean landscapes in Greek and Roman coinage

The ancient Mediterranean was a cultural landscape inhabited by various local groups that formed these landscapes before the expansion of the Greeks and Romans. In this year's VLAC II conference, the presence and reception of local elements of different peoples and cultural groups from Italy to Asia Minor and from Gaul to Egypt, will be examined on the basis of local coinage.

### VLAC

The conference series „Visual Languages of Ancient Coins“ was established in 2018 and focusses on coins as a visual medium, carrying multifaceted and multilayered messages. These varying compositions of text and image can only be understood by using an interdisciplinary approach. Moreover, VLAC aims to offer a platform for an international scholarly exchange between established numismatists and early career scholars.

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## Friday 29th November

**14:30 Welcome:** Fleur Kemmers (Goethe University Frankfurt) and Johannes Wienand (University of Braunschweig)

**14:45 Introduction:**  
Hülya Vidin (Goethe University Frankfurt) and Saskia Kerschbaum (DAI Munich)

**Panel Ia:**  
**How to localise: different strategies of localisation in regional patterns**

**15:00** Gunnar Dumke (University of Halle): Eastern bulls in the west. Using animals as expression of local identity

**15:45** Coffee break

**16:15** Dario Calomino (Warwick University): Tracing the 'locals' in the agonistic festivals of the Roman east

**17:00** Ulrike Peter (BBAW): Local traces in the coinages issued under Gordian III and Philip the Arab in the Balkan area

**17:45** Break

**Panel Ib:**  
**How to localise: different strategies of localisation in the interaction with Roman culture**

**18:00** Robyn Le Blanc (The University of North Carolina at Greensboro): Localizing a Roman colonial identity on civic coinage: the Marsyas of the forum type in its local contexts

**18:45** Denise Wilding (Warwick University): Local worlds on local tokens? The Roman lead tokens of Gaul and Egypt as media of local expression

**19:30** Wine reception

**20:30** Dinner for speakers

## Saturday 30th November

**Panel II:**  
**Between tribes and cities: the urbanification of local features**

**9:00** Pero Ardjanliev (Archaeological Museum, Skopje): The coinage of the Dassaretai and their urban centre

**9:45** Simone Vogt (August Kestner Museum, Hannover): Roman or Oscan? The coinage of Atella (Campania)

**10:30** Coffee break

**11:00** Saskia Kerschbaum (DAI Munich): Between image and language: local features on early Sicilian coinage

**11:45** Johannes Heinisch (DAI Munich): The tetradrachms from Segesta – adoption of local patterns as a sign of victory

**12:30** Lunch

**Panel III:**  
**The landscapes of Asia Minor dealing with new political impacts**

**14:00** Hülya Vidin (Goethe University Frankfurt): Caria – autochthonous elements on coins between expression of local identity and making politics

**14:45** Annalisa Polosa (Sapienza University, Rome): Coins of Cilician cities between Greek models, Seleucid ideologies and local traditions

**15:30** Coffee break

**16:00** Andrea Gorys (BBAW) – Bernhard Weisser (Münzkabinett Berlin), Thebe – Adramyttion – Edremit. Münzgeschichte und historisches Gedächtnis in einer mythischen Landschaft

**16:45** Koray Konuk (CNRS – Bordeaux Montaigne University) Lycian coinage as a reflection of local identities

**17:30 Discussion**

**Moderation:** Fleur Kemmers  
(Goethe University Frankfurt)

**18:00** Close

### Conference Venue

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