

Catastrophes in Context: The Archaeology of Catastrophes from the 1st–8th Centuries CE in the Mediterranean Region

An OxREP-UrbNet conference

Organisers: Rubina Raja (Aarhus University) and Andrew Wilson (University of Oxford)

Venue: The Old Library, All Souls College, University of Oxford, 17–18 April 2023

DAY 1: MONDAY 17 APRIL

9:15–10:00 *Welcome and Introduction*

Rubina Raja (Aarhus University) and Andrew Wilson (University of Oxford)

10:00–10:45 *The Boudican Revolt: An Interpretation of Responses to Catastrophe*

Lacey Wallace (University of Lincoln)

10:45–11:00 *Discussion*

11:00–11:30 COFFEE

11:30–12:15 *Revaluating the Impact of the Earthquake(s) of AD 62/3 in Roman Pompeii*

Michael A. Anderson (San Francisco State University)

12:15–12:30 *Discussion*

12:30–14:00 LUNCH

14:00–14:45 *Vesuvius AD 79: The Day After*

Girolamo Ferdinando De Simone (Independent researcher)

14:45–15:00 *Discussion*

15:00–15:45 *The Catastrophic 79 CE Eruption of Vesuvius: Post-Eruption Intervention at the Local and Imperial Level*

Steven L. Tuck (Miami University)

15:45–16:00 *Discussion*

16:00–16:30 AFTERNOON TEA

16:30–17:15 *Living on the Edge of the Hau-Nebut: The Dynamic Landscape of Thonis-Heracleion*

Damian Robinson (University of Oxford) and Franck Goddio (European Institute for Underwater Archaeology)

17:15–17:30 *Discussion*

17:30–18:15 *Catastrophic (?) Floods in the Roman North: Chronologies, Causes, and Contexts*

Tyler Franconi (Brown University)

18:15–18:45 *Discussion and wrap-up of first day*

18:45–19:30 PRE-DINNER DRINKS

19:30 DINNER (FOR CONFERENCE SPEAKERS)



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DAY 2: TUESDAY 18 APRIL

10:00–10:45 *Cyrenaica and the Plague of Cyprian*
Andrew Wilson (University of Oxford)

10:45–11:00 *Discussion*

11:00–11:30 COFFEE

11:30–12:15 *How to Track the Impact of a Catastrophe and an Urban Society's Resilience: Archaeological 'Big Data' and the Historical Record of Palmyra*
Rubina Raja (Aarhus University)

12:15–12:30 *Discussion*

12:30–14:00 LUNCH

14:00–14:45 *Bookending the Mid-Sixth Century: The Mediterranean World Before and After Two Late Antique Calamities*
Brandon McDonald (University of Basel)

14:45–15:00 *Discussion*

15:00–15:45 *Settlements in Southwest Anatolia: Before and After the Late Antique Little Ice Age and Justinianic Plague*

Jordan Pickett (University of Georgia) and Matthew Jacobson (SLU Uppsala)

15:45–16:00 *Discussion*

16:00–16:30 AFTERNOON TEA

16:30–17:15 *Late Antique and Late Late Antique Resilience at Aphrodisias: A View from the Tetracylon Street*

Ine Jacobs (University of Oxford)

17:15–17:30 *Discussion*

17:30–18:00 *Closing Remarks and Discussion*

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