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International Workshop

LATE ANTIQUE GLASS IN ANATOLIA
(A.D. 4TH TO 8TH CENT.)

October 26 – 28, 2009 / Izmir, TURKEY



First Circular - Call for Papers

Dear Colleagues,

We are glad to inform you that an international conference on the glass from Anatolia dating to the Late Antique period (A.D. 4th to 8th cent.) will take place on October 26th-28th, 2009 at the Faculty of Arts and Sciences of the Dokuz Eylül University (DEU) in Izmir, Turkey. We warmly invite contributions by scholars and graduate students from a variety of disciplines related to this subject. Intended to bring together Turkish, European, Mediterranean, and North American scholars to discuss a range of issues concerning Late Roman/Early Byzantine glass in Anatolia, this conference should be an excellent opportunity to increase our knowledge of this material. It also aims to encourage dialogue among Turkish and European scholars in Late Antique Archaeology. Both the excavated finds as well as museum pieces are the subject of this workshop that is offering a firm base for the support of future research in Turkey concerning ancient glass studies. Therefore glass experts as well as museum curators from Turkey and neighbouring countries are kindly welcome. This two-day workshop with a one-day excursion will contain both lectures of 20 min. as well as poster presentations.

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The aim of this meeting is to report on the state of research concerning the Late Antique glass from Anatolia between the 4th and 8th centuries A.D., or thereabouts. The geographical areas concerned are Turkey, Greece, Cyprus, Egypt, Syria, Israel, Lebanon, Jordan, the rest of the Near East and the Black Sea countries. The focus is, however, Asia Minor. The quantities of Late Roman/Early Byzantine glass which have come to light on numerous sites, as well as recent research on the various collections from the geographical area concerned, now permit us to make significant additions to the archaeological evidence, thanks to recent progress in glass research in western Europe. The workshop has the main intention to present extensively the less well-known Late Antique glass from Anatolia and other neighbouring countries. It is also aimed at providing local Turkish colleagues with the opportunity to get know glass of the other regions of the Later Roman Empire.

Concentrating on unpublished finds or collections from Anatolia and the Eastern Mediterranean, the colloquium aims to tackle a series of questions which can be grouped as four principal interlinked and overlapping themes: production, trade-distribution, function and chronology.

The glass groups under consideration are as follows: vessels, lamps, window panes, slags, glass *tesserae* and other items. Also historical, philological and epigraphic papers dealing with glass will be considered in this workshop. All approaches and methods likely to enhance our knowledge on these themes and questions are of course very welcome: archaeology, archaeometry, history of art, philology, cultural anthropology, industrial history etc. Most welcome are papers from excavations in Asia Minor and the rest of the Eastern Mediterranean producing glass and other stratified finds (pottery, small finds, coins etc.) that will help us to build up a more precise chronology.

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Papers and oral presentations can be given in English, French, German, Italian, Greek or Turkish, but English will be the preferred language for oral presentations. We would be delighted if you could consider contributing to this conference. If you wish to participate, please fill out the form below and send it to one of the organizers. Please submit an abstract of no more than 300 words together with the attached registration form **before June 1, 2009** by e-mail (if possible) to: <ergun.lafli@deu.edu.tr>, or by fax to: +90.232.453 41 88.

Issue number 29 (July 2006) of the journal *Instrumentum* is planned as a special issue containing the workshop abstracts.

Entry to the workshop is free of charge for all; accommodation and travel expenses will be payed by the participants, who should also arrange their own accommodation as necessary. The organizing committee will make a shuttle service available for participants to take them from the city centre to DEÜ-Campus in Buca and back every morning and evening. A post-conference excursion on October 28 is planned to three glass collections in Izmir. The proceedings of the workshop is planned to be published in 2011. Along with the workshop an exhibition of current Turkish and international archaeological literature from various publishers will be displayed at the Hall of Faculty of Arts and Sciences. Also another exhibition with original Late Antique glass finds from Hadrianoupolis (Paphlagonia) is planned.

The organizers seek to widen participation at this conference, and would like to encourage colleagues from all parts of the world to attend. The conference committee kindly requests that you alert any persons within your research community who would be interested in participating at this

conference, either by forwarding our e-mail, or by printing this circular and displaying it in your institution.

We hope that you will be able to join us at Dokuz Eylül University, and look forward to seeing you in Izmir!

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