



Fokus Fortifikation

Conference on the Research of Ancient Fortifications
6-9 December 2012
at the Acropolis Museum in Athens

Organised by the International Research Network
Fokus Fortifikation (DFG) with the Danish Institute, Athens
and the German Archaeological Institute, Berlin and Athens

– Programme –

THURSDAY, DEC. 6

9.00 – 9.20 Welcome and Introduction to the conference by the Organisation Committee

1st Session: Origins of Fortifications

CHAIRS: RUNE FREDERIKSEN AND MIKE SCHNELLE

- 9.20 – 9.25 RUNE FREDERIKSEN (ATHENS): Session Introduction
9.25 – 9.50 PASCAL BUTTERLIN (PARIS) – SÉBASTIEN REY (PARIS/DURHAM): Mari and the Origins and Evolution of Urban Fortifications during the Early and Middle Bronze Age, 3000-1700 B.C.
9.50 – 10.15 SÉBASTIEN REY (PARIS/DURHAM): The Mesopotamian Art of Fortification and Siege Warfare
10.15 – 10.40 NATHAN MORELLO (UDINE): Building the Frontier: frontier fortifications in the Assyrian Empire
10.40 – 11.05 MIKE SCHNELLE (BERLIN): Sabaeen Fortifications of the early 1st Century B.C.
11.05 – 11.25 Discussion

11.25 – 11.50 h Coffee break

- 11.50 – 12.15 TOMAS ALUSIK (PRAGUE/STRAKONICE): Fortifications of Prehistoric Crete: the current state of the research
12.15 – 12.40 GABRIELE CIFANI (ROME): The Fortifications of early Rome: a historical approach
12.40 – 13.05 BAPTISTE VERGNAUD (BORDEAUX): Fortifications of Central Anatolia in the early first millennium B.C.
13.05 – 13.30 STEFANIE HUBERT (ERLANGEN): Early Mycenaean Fortifications: the role of burials and grave monuments at city-gates
13.30 – 13.50 Discussion

13.50 – 15.15 h Lunch break

2nd Session: Physical Surroundings and Technique: The Building Experience

CHAIRS: PETER DE STAEBLER, JÜRGEN GIESE AND JANET LORENTZEN

- 15.15 – 15.30 PETER DE STAEBLER (NEW YORK): Physical Surroundings, Technique and Building Experience: the state of research in the network Fokus Fortifikation
- 15.30 – 15.55 JEAN-CLAUDE BESSAC (LATTES): Techniques et économie de la construction des fortifications en pierre: méthodes et perspectives
- 15.55 – 16.20 JAN-WAALKE MEYER – TOBIAS HELMS (FRANKFURT/MAIN): Fortifying a major Early Bronze Age Center: the construction and maintenance of Tell Chuera's (Northern Syria) outer defence works
- 16.20 – 16.45 ANN BRYLSBAERT (HEIDELBERG/LEICESTER): 'Set in stone'? Structure's Symbolism at Bronze Age Tiryns, Greece
- 16.45 – 17.05 Discussion

17.05 – 17.30 h Coffee break

- 17.30 – 17.55 TURGUT SANER – KAAAN SAĞ – ERTUNC DENKTAS (ISTANBUL): The Fortifications of Larisa (Buruncuk) Reconsidered
- 17.55 – 18.20 AGNES HENNING (HEIDELBERG) – AYŞE DALYANCI-BERNS (BERLIN) – ULRIKE GOLDMANN (BERLIN): Die Akropolismauer auf dem Monte Crocchia (Süditalien). Die ökonomische und repräsentative Nutzung des Naturraumes bei der Errichtung einer lukanischen Wehrmauer
- 18.20 – 18.45 GERDA SOMMER VON BÜLOW (FRANKFURT/MAIN): Die zwei Befestigungsanlagen des spätrömischen Kaiserpalastes Romuliana-Gamzigrad (Dacia ripensis)
- 18.45 – 19.05 Discussion

FRIDAY, DEC. 7

3rd Session: Function and Semantics

CHAIRS: BRITA JANSEN AND SILKE MÜTH

- 8.30 – 8.45 SILKE MÜTH (ATHENS): Functions and Semantics of Fortifications – the State of Research in the Network Fokus Fortifikation
- 8.45 – 9.10 HEINZ-JÜRGEN BESTE (ROME): Das Fort Euryalos bei Syrakus
- 9.10 – 9.35 JEANINE ABDUL MASSIH (BEIRUT): The Fortifications and Town Planning in Kyrrhos: the Hellenistic origin and its evolution
- 9.35 – 9.55 Discussion

9.55 – 10.25 h Coffee break

- 10.25 – 10.50 WOLFRAM MARTINI (GIESSEN): Form, Funktion und Bedeutung der Stadtmauern von Perge in Pamphylien
- 10.50 – 11.15 PETER SCHERRER – UTE LOHNER-URBAN (GRAZ): Hellenistische Prunktore – ein wissenschaftlicher Irrtum?
- 11.15 – 11.40 KLAUS FREYBERGER (ROME): Zur Funktion und Semantik fortifikatorischer Temenosmauern in hellenistischen Heiligtümern in der östlichen Mittelmeerwelt
- 11.40 – 12.00 Discussion

12.00 – 13.30 h Lunch break

- 13.30 – 13.55 TIMM RADT (STUTTGART): Fortified Palaces and Residences in Hellenistic times: the Upper Castle on Mount Karasis in Cilicia and other examples
- 13.55 – 14.20 SASKIA STEVENS (UTRECHT): *Candentia moenia*: the symbolism of Roman city walls
- 14.20 – 14.45 MELANIE JONASCH (BERLIN): Two birds, one Stone: the fortification of rural communities in Late Roman Gaul
- 14.45 – 15.05 Discussion

15.05 – 15.30 h Coffee break

4th Session: Historical Context (1st part)

CHAIRS: ERIC LAUFER AND PETER SCHNEIDER

- 15.30 – 15.45 ERIC LAUFER (VIENNA): The Historical Context of Fortifications: the state of research in the network Fokus Fortifikation
- 15.45 – 16.10 MICHAEL KERSCHNER (VIENNA): Die Befestigungen des vorhellenistischen Ephesos: Schriftquellen und archäologischer Befund
- 16.10 – 16.35 PETER A.J. ATTEMA – T.C.A. DE HAAS (GRONINGEN): The Pontine Region under the Early Republic, a Contested Landscape
- 16.35 – 17.00 CHRISTIAN WINKLE (STUTTGART): Römisch-italische Stadtmauern der Mittleren Republik: Funktion und Semantik - Eine quellenkritische Untersuchung zu Livius
- 17.00 – 17.20 Discussion

Evening Lecture

- 19.00 PIERRE LERICHE (PARIS): Ancient Fortifications: an appraisal of research and new problematics

20.30 Reception

SATURDAY, DEC. 8

4th Session: Historical Context (2nd part)

- 9.00 – 9.25 PIERRE DUCREY (LAUSANNE): Defense, Attack and Fate of the Vanquished: reappraising the role of city-walls
- 9.25 – 9.50 CATERINA PARIGI (ROME): Die athenischen Befestigungsmauern im 1. Jh. v.Chr.
- 9.50 – 10.15 ISABELLE PIMOUGUET-PEDARROS (NANTES): Le système défensif de Myra-Andriaké (Lycie)
- 10.15 – 10.40 CATHARINE HOF (BERLIN): The City Wall of Resafa/Sergiupolis (Syria): the transition of a Late Roman representative and permeable town wall over a sturdy fortification to an introverted Early Islamic Haram enclosure
- 10.40 – 11.00 Discussion

11.00 – 11.30 Coffee break

5th Session: The Fortification of Regions

CHAIR: SYLVIAN FACHARD

- 11.30 – 11.45 SYLVIAN FACHARD (BROWN): The Fortification of Regions: the state of research in the network Fokus Fortifikation
- 11.45 – 12.10 CLAIRE BALANDIER (AVIGNON): Étudier l'organisation défensive d'une région et son évolution: pour une archéologie historique des fortifications. Question de méthode
- 12.10 – 12.35 MATTHIEU GUINTRAND (AVIGNON): Les fortifications dans le système défensif de la Laconie à l'époque classique
- 12.35 – 12.55 Discussion

12.55 – 14.30 h Lunch break

- 14.30 – 14.55 YANNIS D. NAKAS (ATHENS): Isolated Towers in the Fortification Network of Ancient Molossia: a case study
- 14.55 – 15.20 PIERRE MORET (TOULOUSE): Fortifications in Spain, 236-19 BC: imperial strategies and local concerns
- 15.20 – 15.45 EMINE SOKMEN (ANKARA): The Defence System of the Mithradatic Kingdom: a study for reconstruction and interpretation of the fortresses in the Tokat Region
- 15.45 – 16.05 Discussion

16.05 – 16.30 h Coffee break

- 16.30 – 16.55 DOUGLAS UNDERWOOD (ST. ANDREWS): City Walls as Regional and Imperial Strategy? The Case of South Languedoc
- 16.55 – 17.20 JOSIP VIŠNJIĆ (SVETVINČENAT, CROATIA): *Claustra Alpium Iuliarum*: a Late Antiquity defence system in the Northern Mediterranean and Eastern Alps
- 17.20 – 17.45 MIHAILO MILINKOVIĆ (BELGRADE): 'Frühbyzantinische Befestigungen' - Siedlungsgrundeinheit im Illyricum des 6.Jh.
- 17.45 – 18.05 Discussion

19.00 h Conference Dinner

Sunday, Dec. 9

6th Session: Regionally confined Phenomena

CHAIRS: SILKE MÜTH AND ULRICH RUPPE

- 9.00 – 9.05 SILKE MÜTH (ATHENS): Session Introduction
- 9.05 – 9.30 STEPHAN G. SCHMID – CAROLINE HUGUENOT (BERLIN): The Fortifications of Iron Age Oppida in Southern Drôme (France)
- 9.30 – 9.55 KEVEN OUELLET (MONTREAL) – JACQUES PERREAULT (MONTREAL) – ZIZIS BONIAS (KAVALA): The City Walls of the Andrian Colonies: tradition and regionalism in military architecture
- 9.55 – 10.20 BRITTA ÖZEN-KLEINE (SAARBRÜCKEN): Das Befestigungssystem der lelego-karischen Hauptstadt Pedasa auf der Halbinsel von Halikarnassos
- 10.20 – 10.45 POUL PEDERSEN (ODENSE) – ULRICH RUPPE (FRANKFURT): The Fortifications at Halikarnassos and Priene – Some Regional Characteristics?
- 10.45 – 11.05 Discussion

11.05 – 11.30 h Coffee break

- 11.30 – 11.55 SOPHIE HELAS (BONN): Polygonale Befestigungsmauern in Mittelitalien
- 11.55 – 12.20 MICHAEL EISENBERG (HAIFA): Graeco-Roman *Polioretics* and the Development of Military Architecture in the Region of the Decapolis: Antiochia Hippos as a test case
- 12.20 – 12.45 PIERRE LERICHE – SEGOLENE DE PONTBRIAND (PARIS): Les fortifications de brique crue de Bactriane. Réflexions à partir des puissantes fortifications d'époque Kouchane de Termez
- 12.45 – 13.05 Discussion

13.05 – 14.30 h Lunch break

7th Session: The Fortifications of Athens and new Field Research

CHAIR: JIM COULTON

- 14.30 – 14.35 JIM COULTON (ATHENS): Session Introduction
14.35 – 15.00 KONSTANTINOS KISSAS – V. TASINOS (CORINTH): Die archaische Stadtmauer von Korinth
15.00 – 15.25 VASSILIS LAMBRINOUDAKIS – V. KAZOLIAS (ATHENS): History and Functions of the Ancient Walls at Palaiomanina in Acarnania
15.25 – 15.50 ANNA PHILIPPA-TOUCHAIS (ATHENS): The Middle Bronze Age Fortifications of Aspis Hill, Argos

15.50 – 16.10 Discussion

16.10 – 16.30 h Coffee break

- 16.30 – 16.55 NIKOS TSONIOTIS (ATHENS): The Benizeli Mansion Excavation: latest evidence on the Post-Herulian fortification wall in Athens
16.55 – 17.20 ELISA BAZZECHI (COLOGNE/BOLOGNA): Zur Bedeutung von Befestigungsmauern in spätantiken Städten: das Beispiel Athen

17.20 – 17.35 Discussion

17.35 – 18.30 Final Discussion of the Conference

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