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THURSDAY, 16/10/2014

OPENING
17.30 Introduction
Orietta Cordovana,
Gian Franco Chiai

18.00 Key-Note Lecture
KLAUS GEUS (BERLIN)
ENVIRONMENT AND COMMON SENSE GEOGRAPHY IN ANCIENT TEXTS.

RECEPTION

FRIDAY, 17/10/2014

FIRST SECTION: ENVIRONMENT,
POLLUTION AND LEGAL SOURCES
Chair: Gian Franco Chiai
9.30 Andreas Wacke (Cologne)
Umweltschutz im römischen Recht?
10.15 Luigi Capogrossi Colognesi (Rome)
Roman Law and pollution of natural context.
11.00 Coffee-break
11.30 Cristina Simonetti (Rome)
Water use and management in Mesopotamia during the 2nd Millennium BC.
12.30 Lunch

SECOND SECTION: MATERIAL EVIDENCE
Chair: Orietta Cordovana
14.30 Alain Bresson (Chicago)
Industrial pollution in Greece and Rome.
15.15 J. Donald Hughes (Denver)
Deforestation and forest protection in the ancient world.
16.00 Coffee-break
16.30 Jocelyne Nelis Clément (Bordeaux)
The ecological impact of mass spectacles in the Roman World.
17.15 Silvia Polla (Berlin)
The material evidence of living in a polluted environment.

CONFERENCE DINNER

SATURDAY, 18/10/2014

THIRD SECTION: ENVIRONMENT,
POLLUTION, AND DISEASES
Chair: Silvia Polla
09.30 Elizabeth Craik (St. Andrews)
Seasons, swamps, and malaria.
10.15 Isabella Andorlini (Parma)
Environmental diseases according to papyri from Egypt and medical thoughts.
11.00 Coffee-break

FOURTH SECTION: LITERARY AND
EPIGRAPHIC SOURCES
Chair: Klaus Geus
11.30 Cinzia Bearzot (Milan)
Il lessico dell’ecologia.
12.15 Gian Franco Chiai (Berlin)
Rivers protection in the ancient world and the city praise.
13.00 Lunch
15.00 Edoardo Bianchi (Milan)
Floods of the Tiber in Rome under the Julio-Claudians.
15.45 Arnaldo Marcone (Rome)
L’inquinamento della città antica e le strategie abitative dell’élite in campagna.
16.30 Coffee-break
17.00 Orietta Cordovana (Edinburgh)
Pliny the Elder and the ancient pollution.
17.45 Luca Montecchio (Rome)
La cultura dell’ambiente in ambito monastico tra V e VIII secolo.
18.30 Conclusions