

WISDOM BETWEEN EAST AND WEST: MESOPOTAMIA GREECE AND BEYOND



**TORINO
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26-27
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PALAZZO NUOVO

DEPARTMENT OF HISTORICAL STUDIES
THIRD FLOOR
SALA SEMINARI

DAY 1

9:30 - 10:15 Greetings and Introduction

Wisdom and Knowledge

10:15 - 10:45 • **Giorgio Buccellati** – UCLA

*An Epistemological Perspective
on the Mesopotamian Wisdom Tradition*

10:45 - 11:15 • **Francesca Rochberg** – UC Berkeley

Cuneiform Knowledge and Natural Knowledge

11:15 - 11:45 • Coffee break

11:45 - 12:30 • **Maurizio Viano** – University of Torino

Francesco Sironi – University of Milan
*Truth and Falsehood in Mesopotamia
and Greece: Similarities and Differences*

12:30 - 13:00 • **Johannes Haubold** – Princeton University

*Translating Wisdom:
The Case of Chaldean Philosophy*

13:00 - 14:30 • Lunch break

Literature and Wisdom Traditions

14:30 - 15:00 • **André Lardinois**

Radboud University Nijmegen
*Ancient Greece and the Near East:
How to Assess Literary Parallels?*

15:00 - 15:30 • **Yoram Cohen** – Tel Aviv University

*Limits of Transmission: Babylonian Wisdom
Literature in Non-cuneiform Sources*

15:30 - 16:00 • **Simonetta Ponchia** – University of Verona

*Dialogues in Narrative: From Epic to Argumentation
in First Millennium Mesopotamian Literature*

16:00 - 16:15 • Coffee break

16:15 - 17:00 • **Sebastian Fink** – University of Innsbruck

Jakub Kuciak – Jagiellonian University of Krakow
*Kings between East and West: Of Role Models
and Warning Examples*

17:00 - 17:30 • **Hervé Gonzalez** – Collège de France

*Biblical Historiography as Wisdom Literature?
The Use of the Royal Past for Illustrating Moral
Teachings in the Books of Samuel and Kings*

17:30 - 18:30 • Discussion

DAY 2

Science and Practitioners

9:30 - 10:00 • **Mark Geller** – University College London

The Profiles of Babylonian and Greek Medicine

10:00 - 10:30 • **Nicola Reggiani** – University of Parma

*The Rational Roots of Medical Science between
Greece and Egypt*

10:30 - 11:00 • **Massimiliano Ornaghi**

University of Torino
*Wiseman and Poet in Ancient Greece:
What Kind of Overlapping?*

11:00 - 11:30 • Coffee break

11:30 - 12:00 • **Stéphanie Anthonioz**

CNRS UMR 8167 « Orient et Méditerranée »
*King, Sage, Scribe and Priest:
Seleucid Uruk and Jerusalem in Perspective*

12:00 - 12:30 • **Stefano de Martino** – University of Torino

*The Tradition of Dance in the Hittite Culture:
Choreography and Setting*

12:30 - 13:00 • **Laura Gianvittorio** – University of Vienna

*Transmitting Embodied Knowledge in Ancient
Greece: The Case of Dance*

13:00 - 14:30 • Lunch break

Folk Wisdom and Didactic Literature

14:30 - 15:00 • **Niek Veldhuis** – UC Berkeley

Proverbs as Wisdom Texts

15:00 - 15:30 • **Andrea Ercolani** – CNR

*Proverbs and Gnomai:
Reflections on Hesiodic Material*

15:30 - 16:00 • **Bruno Currie** – University of Oxford

*Hesiod's Works and Days and the Hebrew
Bible's Book of Proverbs*

16:00 - 16:15 • Coffee Break

16:15 - 16:45 • **Bernardo Ballesteros Petrella**

University of Oxford
Gnomai and Proverbs in Homer and Gilgamesh

16:45 - 17:15 • **Jana Matuszak** – University of Tübingen

*Law and Morality in Collections of Sumerian
"Wisdom Texts"*

17:15 - 18:15 • Discussion