For centuries Cilicia was a region of transition and of cultural exchange. Its rich heritage is characterized by significant regional traditions, but also by influences from outside. In the last years, historians have reconsidered the vast quantity of written sources and epigraphical records, while remarkable progress has been made by archaeologists excavating in major cities but also in smaller settlements. Increasing attention is now paid to the rise of Christianity, especially to the development of the cult of saints. How were ideas from outside imported and adapted, and what role did travellers who crossed Cilicia on their way to the Near East play? What is the evidence for specific regional characteristics and Cilician identity, provided by archaeological research? What were the reasons for the emergence of the cult of local saints, and what made foreign saints attractive for veneration in Cilicia? The aim of this colloquium is to bring together scholars from various disciplines working on ancient Cilicia and to discuss recent results and future approaches.

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### Friday, May 18, 2018

14.00 - 14.30: Welcome by the organizers

#### Section 1: History

14.30 - 15.15: **Prof. Dr. Remzi Yağcı** (Izmir)  
*Greek Colonization Problems in Cilicia, 7th-6th Century BC*

15.15 - 16.00: **Prof. Dr. Mustafa Sayar** (Istanbul)  
*Landschaft Kilikien; ein akkulturativer Lebensraum in der Antike. Neue Forschungen und Zukunftsperspektiven*

16.00 - 16.30: Coffee Break

16.30 - 17.15: **Prof. Dr. Annalisa Polosa** (Roma)  
*Coin Production and Coin Circulation in Cilicia from the Achemenids to the Early Byzantine Times*

17.15 - 18.00: **Prof. Dr. Günder Varinlioğlu** (Istanbul)  
*Intersecting Landscapes of Rough Cilicia: Island Quarries, Maritime Settlements, Pilgrimage Spaces*

18.00 - 19.00: Break

19.00: **Prof. Dr. Troels Myrop Kristensen** (Aarhus)  
*Public Lecture*  
*Gathering and Sacred Space in the Sanctuary of Thekla at Meriamlik*

### Saturday, May 19, 2018

10.00 - 10.30: Coffee Break

10.30 - 11.00: **Prof. Dr. Marcello Spanu** (Roma)  
*The Cities in Cilicia During the Roman Period: a Reassessment*

11.00 - 11.45: **Murat Özyıldırım M.A.** (Mersin)  
**Yavuz Yegin M.A.** (Ankara)  

11.45 - 12.30: **Prof. Dr. Emanuela Borgia** (Roma)  
*Cilicia as a Multicultural Region: Indigenous and Foreign People in Roman and Byzantine Inscriptions*

12.30 - 14.00: Lunch

14.00 - 14.45: **Dr. Philipp Philhofer** (Berlin)  
*Local Christian Identities in the Kalykadnos Area*

14.45 - 15.30: **Arabella Cortese M.A.** (Regensburg)  
*Local Martyrs and Religious Architecture in Korykos*

15.30: Concluding Remarks