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Synchronized with Nature. Measuring Time
in Ancient Egypt and Mesopotamia:
Archaeological and Textual Evidence



International Conference

The Wheels of Universe

Measuring Time, Observing Nature in Ancient Near East and Beyond

9.00 Istitutional Greetings

Giuseppe GIORDANO (Pro-Rector of the University of Messina)

Giuseppe UCCIARDELLO (Director of the DICAM, University of Messina)

Lorenzo NIGRO (Sapienza – University of Rome, National PI PRIN 2022 SYN_NAT Project) *remote intervention*

Salvatore SPEZIALE (Coordinator of the Master's Degree in Historical Sciences, University of Messina)

Chair: Annunziata ROSITANI (University of Messina)

9.30 Dominique CHARPIN (Collège de France, Paris): **Babylonian Kings, Masters of Time? The Unpredictable Rhythm of Mīšarum's Edicts**

10.00 Nele ZIEGLER (CNRS, Paris): **Eponym Chronicles and the Year Dating System in Samsi-Addu's Upper Mesopotamian Empire. An Overview of the Present State of Knowledge**

10.30 Eva CANCIK-KIRSCHBAUM (Einstein Center CHRONOI - Freie Universität Berlin): **Timekeeping as Imperial Practice in Assyria**

11.00 *Coffee break*

Chair: Eva CANCIK-KIRSCHBAUM (Einstein Center CHRONOI - Freie Universität Berlin)

11.30 Hanan Abdel HAMZA (Iraq Museum, Baghdad) – Noora Qusay Abdul al-Razzaq ADWA (Iraq Museum, Baghdad): **Time Management in Mesopotamia**

12.00 Amalia CATAGNOTI (University of Florence) – Marco BONECHI (CNR, Rome): **Time Reckoning in the Ebla Texts: State of the Art and Open Questions**

12.30 Nicola LANERI, Chiara PAPPALARDO, Alice MENDOLA, Rachele MAMMANA, Sergio RUSSO (University of Catania): **New Discoveries at Tell Muhammad. Archaeological Perspective on Old Babylonian Culture**

13.00 *Lunch*

Chair: Felix WIEDEMANN (Einstein Center CHRONOI, Freie Universität Berlin)

14.30 Andrea Rebecca MARROCCHI SAVOI (Sapienza – University of Rome): **At the Dawn of Time: Some Consideration about Timekeeping in 3rd Millennium**

15:00 Cinzia PAPPI (Einstein Center CHRONOI, Freie Universität Berlin): **On the Footprints of Dēritum. The Natural and Religious Rhythms of the Mari Countryside**

15.30 Annunziata ROSITANI (University of Messina): **Time Subdivision in the Old Babylonian Period: Ceremonial, Agricultural and Politic Aspects**

16.00 *Coffee break*

Chair: Cinzia PAPPI (Einstein Center CHRONOI - Freie Universität Berlin)

16.30 Ludovico PORTUESE (University of Messina): **Gestures and Astral Symbols on Neo-Assyrian Sculpture**

17.00 Nunzio ALLOCCA (Sapienza – University of Rome): **Observing the 'Book of Nature': Galileo's Moon Between Ancient Mythologies, Science and Literature**

17.30 Elio ANTONELLO (National Institute of Astrophysics): **Ancient Farming Calendars** *remote intervention*

18.00 Eva CANCIK-KIRSCHBAUM, Cinzia PAPPI, Annunziata ROSITANI: **Discussion and Closing Remarks**

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