Exemplary Representation(s) of the Past:
New Readings of Valerius Maximus'
*Facta et dicta memorabilia*

15 - 17 December 2022

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Thursday, 15 December 2022

13.45-14.00   Welcome/Opening Remarks

14.00-15.00   Session 1: The Memorable and the Not So Memorable

Scott DiGiulio (Mississippi State University): ‘Variety, Miscellanism, and Critical Reading in Valerius Maximus’

W. Martin Bloomer (University of Notre Dame): ‘The Margins of the Memorable’

15.00-15.10   Short Break

15.10-16.10   Session 2: Exemplarity and the Lessons of History

Simon Cahanier (Université Jean Moulin Lyon 3): ‘Recomposed Pasts in Valerius Maximus’
Facta et dicta memorabilia: An Alternative Way of Reading a Collection of Historical Vignettes’

Nell Mulhern (Temple University College): ‘Youth, Age, and the Passage of Time in Valerius Maximus’

16.10-16.40   Coffee/Tea Break

16.40-17.40   Session 3: Valerius and the Civil Wars

Marie Ledentu (Université Jean Moulin Lyon 3): ‘Pharsalus, Philippi, Actium and the Memoratu Digna: Reading Valerius Maximus as a Historian of the Late Republican Civil Wars’

Elisabeth Slingsby (University of Cambridge): ‘How (Not) to Spill Citizen Blood: Exempla of Civil War in Valerius Maximus’ Facta et dicta memorabilia’
Friday, 16 December 2022

9.30-10.30  Session 4: The Scipiones as Exemplars
David Wardle (University of Cape Town): ‘Scipio Africanus’ Fiducia Sui - An Imperial Perspective’
Jan-Markus Kötter (Heinrich-Heine-Universität Düsseldorf): ‘Roles and Persons: Familial Paradigms in Valerius Maximus’

10.30-11.00  Coffee/Tea Break

11.00-12.00  Session 5: Valerian Anti-Heroes
Isabel Köster (University of Colorado), ‘Valerius Maximus’ Catiline: A Useful Villain’
Jeffrey Murray (University of Cape Town): ‘Exemplary Error: Valerius Maximus on Cassius’

12.00-13.30  Lunch Break

13.30-14.30  Session 6: Valerius and Roman Society
Mathias Nicolleau (Université Paris Nanterre): ‘Impostors in Valerius Maximus, Between Republic and Augustan Principate’
Andreas Klingenberg (Universität zu Köln): ‘Social Mobility and Senatorial Role Models in the Transition from the Republic to the Imperial Period in the Work of Valerius Maximus’

14.30-14.40  Short Break

14.40-15.40  Session 7: Valerius and Female Virtue
Estelle Berlaire Gues (Université de Lille): ‘Imperial Women in Valerius Maximus’ Work: Some New Exempla?’
Tegan Gleeson (University of Tasmania): ‘Has She No Shame? A Wholistic Reading of Facta et dicta 3.8.6’

15.40-16.10  Coffee/Tea Break

16.10-17.10  Session 8: Valerius, the Greeks, and Greek Culture
Heiko Westphal (University of Fribourg): ‘Valerius Maximus and the Greeks: The Portrayal of Greek Culture in the Facta et dicta memorabilia’
Simon Lentzsch (University of Fribourg): ‘An Exemplary Ally - Massalia in the Facta et dicta’
Saturday, 17 December 2022

9.30-10.30  Session 9: Valerius and Philosophy
Viola Periti (University of Edinburgh): ‘Voices from Greece: Lives of Eminent Philosophers in Valerius Maximus’ *Facta et dicta memorabilia*
Sarah Lawrence (University of New England): ‘Making an Example of Socrates: Philosophy and Exemplarity in Valerius Maximus 7.2’

10.30-11.00  Coffee/Tea Break

11.00-12.00  Session 10: Practical Wisdom and Popular Morality
Rebecca Langlands (University of Exeter): ‘Valerius Maximus 7.4 (*Strategemata*) and the Exploration of Practical Wisdom’
Luis Pallara (University of Fribourg): ‘Learning How to Feel in Antiquity: Valerius Maximus’ Views on Emotion’

12.00-13.30  Lunch Break

13.30-14.30  Session 11: Valerius, Oratory, and the Arts
Henriette van der Blom (University of Birmingham): ‘Valerius Maximus on Republican Oratory’
Niall Slater (Emory University): ‘Theatrical Exemplarity: Valerius on Poets and Players’

14.30-14.40  Short Break

14.40-15.40  Session 12: Valerius and Jurisprudence
Thu Ta (Bryn Mawr College): ‘The Influence of Valerius Maximus on Rhetoric and Jurisprudence’

15.40-16.10  Coffee/Tea Break

16.10-16.40  Session 13: The Christian Reception of the *Facta et dicta memorabilia*
Carson Bay (Universität Bern): ‘Valerius Maximus and the Patristic ‘Golden Age’: The Reception of *Memorable Deeds and Sayings* in Latin Christianity Between Lactantius and Augustine’

16.40-16.50  Concluding Remarks