

Call for Papers: "Moving Byzantium II"

at the International Medieval Congress in Leeds 2018

"*Moving Byzantium: Mobility, Microstructures and Personal Agency*" is a five-year project which began at the University of Vienna in 2016 (<http://rapp.univie.ac.at/>), funded through the Wittgenstein-Prize, the highest scholarly award of Austria, which was bestowed on Prof. Claudia Rapp in 2015.

In order to present the research questions and methodological approaches of the project and to continue discussion and cooperation with the scientific community of medieval and Byzantine studies (and beyond), "*Moving Byzantium*" will organise a second series of sessions at the International Medieval Congress 2018 at the University of Leeds, the largest scholarly gathering of its kind in Europe (2-5 July 2018, https://www.leeds.ac.uk/ims/imc/imc2018_call.html). The special (but not exclusive) thematic strand for the IMC 2018 is "Memory".

We invite scholars at all career stages to submit proposals for twenty-minute papers connected with the main topics of "*Moving Byzantium*", with a particular focus on aspects of **geographical, social and cultural mobility** within and beyond the Byzantine Empire. We are particularly interested in research based on new material, novel interpretations and innovative methods which also locates Byzantium and its neighbours in a wider comparative framework.

For scholars selected for presentation in the sessions of "*Moving Byzantium*", the **Full Four Day Registration for the IMC** (standard rate or student rate) will be covered by our project, while we expect participants to secure their own funding for their expenses for travel and accommodation.

Please send **paper proposals (300 words max.)**, in English, accompanied by a short CV including affiliation, career stage and research interests, **by 8 September 2017** to Ms. Paraskevi Sykopezitrou, Project Coordinator: paraskevi.sykopezitrou@univie.ac.at. Papers will be selected by 15 September 2017 and successful candidates must confirm their participation by 22 September 2017.

