

Call for Papers

«Conceiving and representing the notion of change in the Greco-Roman world»

Colloquium for Young PhD holders and PhD Students
Organized by the Antheia Association
Université Paris-Sorbonne
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(deadline for submissions: January 30th, 2016)

This conference for PhD students and young PhD holders aims at reflecting upon the notion of **change** in Antiquity (as a punctual transformation, the passage from one state to another, a renewal, the apparition of something new, etc.) and at examining how Greeks and Romans (8th century B.C. - 6th century A.D.) perceived it and represented it in various social, political, cultural and historical contexts. Such a perspective will allow participants to explore various fields of study related to Classics, such as philosophy, history, literature, medicine and linguistics.

Below are a few starting points – by no means exclusive – for further investigation:

1. Defining and representing changes: how were perceived, described, accepted or denied changes in literary or artistic contexts, but also in the philosophical, political and medical fields ?
2. Cultural and intellectual changes: We could explore the transformation of literary genres, the creation of new identities, moral norms and values, the philosophical expression of new ideas, the changes in religious rituals. It would also be interesting to examine changes in the forms of teaching and transmission of knowledge.
3. Linguistic and stylistic changes: it is possible to analyze the formal changes in the language and its use: evolution of the alphabet, phonetic changes, variations in grammar, various phenomena of lexical creation, appearance of new stylistic, literary or linguistic models.
4. Social, political and economic changes: papers could address the question of historical, economic, social and legal changes; changes in the representations of social status, modifications of the criteria to acquire Greek or Roman citizenships. Contributors could study changes in the laws, in the forms of government and in the organization of city-states.

The conference therefore intends to question the relevance of our vision of changes in Antiquity by studying how the Ancients conceived their own history, because the notion of **change** is one of the main concepts that historians, archaeologists and scholars use to explain the passage from one time period to another.

Each speaker will be allocated 25 to 30 minutes.

The languages of the Conference are French, English, Spanish, Italian and German.

Abstracts of about 300 words, as well as a C.V., should be submitted as word or pdf files by **January 30th, 2016** to the following address: colloqueantheia2016@gmail.com

The conference will be held on **October 14th and 15th, 2016** at Paris-Sorbonne University.

For more information: <http://antheia.hypotheses.org/colloque>

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