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*Colloquio internazionale tra giovani studiosi di epistolografia antica*

## **Writing Letters in the Ancient World Fictional and Real Letters from the First Century BC to the Fifth Century AD**

**25-26 November 2021 on Microsoft Teams**

(If you wish to attend, please contact [laura.losito@durham.ac.uk](mailto:laura.losito@durham.ac.uk))

**25 November 2021**

**9-9.15 am (UK time) / 10.00-10.15 (CET): Welcome**

**9.15-9.45 am (UK time) / 10.15-10.45 (CET): Keynote Lecture Professor Roy K. Gibson: Patterns of Arrangement in Greco-Roman letter collections: Isocrates to the sack of Rome (410 C.E)**

**Chair: Giulia Bernardini (Durham University)**

**10-10.20 am (UK time) / 11.00-11.20 (CET):** Serena Cammoranesi (Manchester University): *Patriam ipsam inflammandam reliquimus*: The conceptualisation of Rome in Cicero's *Epistulae ad Familiares*.

**10.20-10.40 am (UK time) / 11.20-11.40 (CET):** Laura Losito (Durham University): Rearranging Cicero's *Letters to Friends*: the case of Book 5.

**10.40-11 am (UK time) / 11.40-12.00 (CET):** Dr. Janja Soldo (Maynooth University, Swansea): Seneca's *amici*: the *Epistulae Morales* on friendship and on growing old.

**11 am (UK time) / 12.00 (CET): Discussion**

**Chair: Prof. Alessandro Lagioia (Università degli Studi di Bari)**

**2.30-2.50 pm (UK time) / 15.30-15.50 (CET):** Dr. Simona Martorana (Durham University): Letters Within Letters: Epistolary Practices, Letter Delivering, and Material Agency in Ovid's *Heroides*.

**2.50-3.10 pm (UK time) / 15.50-16.10 (CET):** Enrico Simonetti (Università degli Studi di Bari): *Vale, si potes*. Ovidian Characters in Circe's Epistle (Petron. 129.3-9).

**3.10 pm (UK time) / 16.10 (CET): Discussion**

## **26 November 2021**

**9-9.15 am (UK time) / 10.00-10.15 (CET): Welcome**

**9.15-9.45 am (UK time) / 10.15-10.45 (CET): Keynote Lecture Dr. Ruth Morello (Manchester University): The long year: letters and influence in 46 BC.**

**Chair: Dr. Joop van Waarden (Radboud Universiteit)**

**10-10.20 am (UK time) / 11.00-11.20 (CET): Matthew Mordue (Roehampton University): Thinking with Negative Exempla: The Regulus Cycle in Pliny's Epistles.**

**10.20-10.40 am (UK time) / 11.20-11.40 (CET): Dr. Sara Fascione (Università degli Studi di Napoli): Grammarians, rhetors and school knowledge in Symmachus' letter collection.**

**10.40-11 am (UK time) / 11.40-12.00 (CET): Dr. Giulia Marolla (Università degli Studi di Bari): Sidonius, *Letters* Book 5: Between Literary Fiction and Autobiography.**

**11 am (UK time) / 12.00 (CET): Discussion**

**Chair: Prof. Owen Hodkinson (University of Leeds)**

**2.30-2.50 pm (UK time) / 15.30-15.50 (CET): Dr. Antonios Pontoropoulos (Uppsala University): Literary representations of women and female subjectivities in ancient fictional letters.**

**2.50-3.10 pm (UK time) / 15.50-16.10 (CET): Effrosyni Tsakou (Université de Lille): Aristaenetus, an erotic meta-didaskalos.**

**3.10 pm (UK time) / 16.10 (CET): Discussion**

**3.30 (UK time) / 16.30 (CET): Closing remarks**

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