

INTERDISCIPLINARY PHD COURSE IN VIKING STUDIES

3-4 NOVEMBER 2010

Preliminary programme

- Each session starts with the student's presentation (15 min), followed by the opponent's answer (10 min) and discussion (5 min).

Day 1 - Wednesday 3: (*Pejsestuen, Aarhus University, Moesgård*)

- 9:00-9:15 – Welcome by the organizers, Professor Else Roesdahl and PhD student Sarah Croix
9:15-10:00 – Keynote lecture: Professor Else Roesdahl, Section for Medieval and Renaissance Archaeology, Aarhus University: *'Transformation, Revolt and a new Era - interdisciplinary studies of Denmark c. 950-1000'*
- 10:00-10:15 – Coffee break
10:15-10:45 – Session 1: Rebecca Wall, *'Rethinking the Woodstown paradigm: irish-Viking interaction and urbanization in the south-east of Ireland'*
10:45-11:15 – Session 2: Nelleke Ijssennagger, *'Friends, Vassals or Foes. Contact between Scandinavians and Frisians in the Viking Age in written and archaeological sources'*
11:15-11:30 – Open discussion
- 11:30-12:30 – Lunch
12:30-13:15 – Keynote lecture: Professor Jens-Peter Schjødt, Department of the Study of Religion, Aarhus University: *'How to Use the Medieval Sources – and how not to Use them. The Perspective of an Historian of Religion'*
13:15-13:45 – Session 3: Roderick Dale, *'Cognitive polyphasia among fourteenth-century Norwegian clergy'*
13:45-14:15 – Session 4: Mathias Nordvig, *'Revising the homogenous structure of the Weltmodell in the cosmology of Snorra-Edda'*
14:15-14:30 – Open discussion
- 14:30 – 15:00 – Coffee break
15:00-15:30 – Keynote lecture: Professor Niels Lund, SAXO Institute, Copenhagen University: *'Frankish written sources and Viking Age Scandinavia'*
15:30-16:00 – Session 5: Alexander Busygin, *'In the Name of the White Christ. Late Viking-Age Norway and Iceland at a Mission Crossroads'*
16:00– 16:30 – Session 6: Sarah Croix, *'Labor organization in Frankish and Scandinavian sources - possibilities of analogy and comparison'*
16:30-16:45 – Open discussion
- 16:45-18:00 Reception
- 19:00- Dinner in town

Day 2 - Thursday 4: (*Foredragssalen, Aarhus University, Moesgård*)

- 09:30-10:15 – Keynote lecture: Professor Judith Jesch, School of English Studies, University of Nottingham: *'Viking Weapons and Skaldic Verse'*
- 10:15-10:30 – Coffee break
- 10:30-11:00 – Session 7: Bergdis Prastadóttir, *'Thættir and oral narratives: The problems of determining the oral origin of a written text'*
- 11:00-11:30 – Session 8: Teva Vidal, *'Warm Welcome: Representation of the House in Hávamál and the Outlaw sagas'*
- 11:30-11:45 – Open discussion
- 11:45-12:45 – Lunch
- 12:45-13:15 – Tour of the rune stones exhibition, Moesgård Museum
- 13:15-14:00 – Keynote lecture: Senior researcher Anne Pedersen, National Museum of Denmark: *'New light on royal Jelling'*
- 14:00-14:30 – Session 9: Maria Knudsen, *'The Jelling Style - use, context and meaning. Towards a new understanding of Viking-age Art'*
- 14:30-15:00 – Session 10: Simon Leboutellier, *'Oath rings in pagan Scandinavia: From text evidences to archaeological clues'*
- 15:00-15:15 – Open discussion
- 15:15-15:45 – Coffee break
- 15:45-16:30 – Tour of the reconstructed Viking Age buildings, Moesgård Museum
- 16:30-17:30 – Coffee and cake + final discussion and evaluation of the course

Friday 5: *if some of the participants are interested, an excursion to Viking Age sites or museums can be arranged.*