

# godscapes



MODELING SECOND  
MILLENNIUM BCE  
POLYTHEISMS IN THE  
EASTERN  
MEDITERRANEAN



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## DAY 1

Wednesday, April 19

- 11:00 FRANCESCO PRIOLO (Rector of the University of Catania)  
MARIA CATERINA PAINO (Director of the Department of Humanities)  
*Institutional greetings*
- 12:00 PHILIPP STOCKHAMMER (Ludwig-Maximilians-University of Munich)  
*Entangling Religions - Appropriating Things*
- LUNCH BREAK
- 14:00 PAOLO MATTHIAE (Accademia dei Lincei)  
*Introduction to the conference*
- 15:00 NICOLA LANERI, MARIANNA NICOLOSI ASMUNDO,  
DANIELE SANTAMARIA, CHIARA PAPPALARDO (University of Catania)  
*Godscapes: A semantic approach for modeling II millennium BCE  
polytheisms in the Eastern Mediterranean*
- COFFEE BREAK
- 16:30 SESSION I - ARCHITECTURE  
LORENZO NIGRO (Sapienza University of Rome)  
*Middle Bronze Age Long-Room/Tower Temples in the Levant and  
their titular gods*  
AARON BURKE (University of California, Los Angeles)  
*Respondent*
- SOCIAL DINNER



DAY 2

Thursday, April 20

- 9:00      SESSION II – ICONOGRAPHY  
GIANLUCA MINIACI (University of Pisa)  
*The sense of the hybrid in the figurines from Byblos: The transmission of religious languages from (and to) Egypt in the Middle Bronze Age*  
CRISTOPH UEHLINGER (University of Zurich)  
*Respondent*
- 10:00      SESSION III – FUNERARY RITUALS  
MARTA D'ANDREA (Sapienza University of Rome)  
*Funerary data from the southern Levant in the Middle Bronze Age: What prospects?*  
KAREL VAN DER TOORN (University of Amsterdam)  
*Respondent*
- COFFEE BREAK
- 11:30      SESSION IV – TEXTUAL SOURCES  
LORENZO VERDERAME (Sapienza University of Rome)  
*Ritualizing the landscape: the Royal Ritual of Ebla and the zukru festival at Emar*  
GABRIELE CONTE (University of Pisa)  
*Selection and hybridisation: Display of devotion and worship in the textual sources from Middle Kingdom Serabit el-Khadim*  
LUDWIG MORENZ (University of Bonn)  
*Respondent*
- 12:30      CORINNE BONNET (University of Toulouse)  
*Concluding remarks*