Civic Identity and Civic Participation
in Late Antiquity and the Early
Middle Ages

Thursday 29 November
Location: Reale Istituto Neerlandese di Roma, Via Omero 12

9:00 Welcome by KNIR director Prof. dr. Harald Hendrix

09:30 – 10:00 "Introduction: concepts, historiography, method”
Cédric Brélaz, Université de Fribourg & Els Rose, Utrecht University

10:00 – 10:45 "Local citizenship and civic participation in the Western provinces of the Roman Empire”
Clifford Ando, University of Chicago

10:45 – 11:15 Tea/coffee

11:15 – 12:00 "Democracy, citizenship(s), and 'patriotism': civic practices and discourses in the Greek cities under Roman rule”
Cédric Brélaz, Université de Fribourg

12:00 – 13:30 Lunch break

13:30 – 14:15 "Citizenship and local identities in the Later Roman Empire”
Ralph Mathisen, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign

14:15 – 15:00 "People and government in Early Byzantine cities”
Avshalom Laniado, Tel Aviv University

15:00 – 15:30 Tea/coffee

15:30 – 16:15 "Becoming the people: popular participation in Late Antiquity”
Peter Van Nuffelen, Ghent University

16:15 – 17:00 "Informal expressions of popular will in Late Roman Africa”
Julio Cesar Magalhães de Oliveira, Universidade de São Paulo

17:00 – 18:00 Discussion

18:00 – 19:00 Drinks at KNIR

20:00 Dinner at Pizzeria San Marco, Via Sardegna 38/D
**Friday 30 November**  
Location: Istituto Svizzero di Roma, Via Ludovisi 48

9:00  
Welcome by ISR director Joëlle Comé

09:15 – 10:00  
"Cities as legal entities in Late Roman and Visigothic Spain"  
Michael Kulikowski, Pennsylvania State University

10:00 – 10:45  
"Urban identities in Late Roman Italy"  
Pierfrancesco Porena, Università Roma Tre

10:45 – 11:15  
**Tea/coffee**

11:15 – 12:00  
"Civic Identity and Civic Participation in a Christianising World: the case of sixth-century Arles"  
Els Rose, Utrecht University

12:00 – 13:30  
**Lunch break**

13:30 – 14:15  
"Citizenship and ethnic identity in the late Antique and early medieval West"  
Helmut Reimitz, Princeton University

14:15 – 14:45  
**Tea/coffee**

14:45 – 15:30  
"Urban culture in the Early Medieval West"  
Marco Mostert, Utrecht University

15:30 – 16:15  
"Civic identities and "pre-communal" communities in Early Medieval Italy"  
Cristina La Rocca & Gianmarco de Angelis, Università degli Studi di Padova

16:15 – 17:30  
Discussion and closing remarks

20:00  
**Dinner at the Swiss institute**