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the bridge between Antiquity and the Early Middle Ages. Roads and rivers 4

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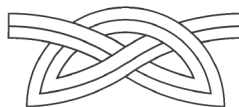
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## 24<sup>th</sup> November 2022

**9.00 – 9.30** Registration, uploading of presentations

**9.30 – 9.40** Opening of the conference:  
Life on the Roman Road project. What did we do?

Coffee break

### Session: Jewellery: local variants, curiosities, possible suprachronological or supraregional connections

Roman

(Chairman: Anita Rapan Papeša)

**10.00 – 10.20** [Alka Starac](#), Jewellery of Roman Istria

**10.20 – 10.40** [Kaja Stemberger Flegar](#), [Jasna Vinder](#), Roman earrings of Slovenia 2.0

**10.40 – 11.00** [Ana Kovačić](#), Taste of victory

**11.00 – 11.20** [Birgitta Hoffman](#), Blue with a white wave – how an Iron age object became associated with the Roman army

Discussion

**11.30-11.50** [Adisa Lepić-Radno](#), Late Antiquity jewellery from the tumulus at the sites Cimeše near Bosanski Petrovac and Podgradina in Livno

**11.50-12.10** [Tina Milavec](#), A modest migrant: hub-cap fibula from Zidani gaber above Mihovo in context

**12. 10-12.30** [Gojko Tica](#), „She walks like a woman and talks like a man« or did even “real” men (sometimes) just dress like women?

Discussion

Lunch break



## Medieval

(Chairman: Ivan Bugarski)

- 14.00-14.20** [Pia Šmalcelj Novaković](#), Everything is in the details: Curious case of an earring from grave 22, Privlaka-Gole njive
- 14.20-14.40** [Anita Rapan Papeša](#), Earring with S-shaped ends in Avar graves in Croatia
- 14.40-15.00** [Hanna Chorvatova](#), Die Lunula-Anhänger in der Kultur der Awaren und Slawen (The Lunula Pendants in the culture of Avars and Slavs)
- 15.00-15.20** [Rade Petcu](#), A glimpse in to the *Instrumentum Domesticum*: Knives from the Roman settlement of *Ulmetum*-Province of Scythia

Discussion

Coffee break

- 15.30** [Ivana Ožanić Roguljić](#), [Mislav Fileš](#), Presentation of „Living Danube limes“ project



## 25<sup>th</sup> November 2022

**9.00-9.30** Registration, uploading of presentations

**Session: Household items made of metal: type of finds which are usually deemed chronologically insensitive/neutral, but can point out to other patterns: social organisation or valuation of a community or an individual, or any other phenomena**

(Chairman: Ivana Ožanić Roguljić)

**9.30-9.50** [Kaja Stemberger Flegar](#), Warding off evil: apotropaic objects in Roman Slovenia

**9.50-10.10** [Ivana Jadrić-Kučan](#), Decorative pendants of Roman soldiers from Burnum

**10.10-10.30** [Kristina Brkić Drnić](#), Unusual and usual combined: Roman finds from AN 6 – Mirkovci Kamenica 2 site

**10.30-10.50** [Sanja Baškarad](#), Preliminary overview of ceramic finds from the site Virovitica - Brezik (AN3), archaeological research in 2013

Discussion

Coffee break

(Chairman: Pia Šmalcelj Novaković)

**11.20-11.50** [Kaja Pavletić](#), Burning Questions on Fire Steels and Flints in Late Antique Graves

**11.50-12.10** [Vujadin Ivanišević](#), [Ivan Bugarski](#), Coin weighers and dealers in the Early Byzantine city: The case of Justiniana Prima

**12.10-12.30** [Maja Zeman](#), Metal 'pendant' from the locality of the Dubrovnik cathedral – form and function; origin, model and usage

**12.30-12.50** [Ivana Ožanić Roguljić](#), [Angelina Raičković Savić](#), Unusual ceramic household items in use from Antiquity to the Middle Ages

Discussion

Lunch break

**15:00** Visit to the Zagreb Municipal Museum



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### **Coin weighers and dealers in the Early Byzantine city: The case of *Justiniana Prima***

Up to the present day, the study of coin quality control in tax payment and money exchange in Late Antiquity has not relied much on archaeological data. This is so because coin scales and weights have rarely been found in cities, other settlements and fortresses, or in coin hoards and graves.

On the other hand, the decades-long excavations at Caričin Grad (*Justiniana Prima*) have yielded numerous scales and glass and bronze weights. These finds speak both for the importance of coin quality control in the sixth century and for the unstable value of the solidi and their fractions used in exchange in northern *Illyricum*.

The analysis of the spatial distribution of the scales and weights enables us to suggest that both coin weighers (*ζυγοστάται*) and dealers (*τραπεζίται*) used to operate in *Justiniana Prima*. Moreover, we are close to discerning the exact places and areas within the city limits where these operations have taken place.