



## **Red Sea IV - Connected Hinterlands**

*The Fourth International Conference on  
the Peoples of the Red Sea Region*

25<sup>th</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup> September 2008

Centre for Maritime Archaeology, University of Southampton

**Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> September**

**09.00 - 09.30                      Registration & Coffee**

**09.30 - 10.40                      Session One                                      Chair:**

David Peacock. *Opening Remarks: Red Sea IV.*

Walter Ward. *Early Christian pilgrimages, the Sinai peninsular and the Red Sea.*

Sofiane Bouhdiba. *Transnational practices and sanitary risks in the Red Sea region: The case of the Pilgrimage to Mecca.*

**11.00 - 13.00                      Session Two                                      Chair:**

Kristina Pfeiffer. *New studies in the archaeometallurgy of Sinai.*

Rageh Mohamed. *The Nabataean's ports on the Red Sea.*

Thomas Parker. *The Roman port of Aila: Economic connections with the Red Sea littoral.*

John Cooper. *The Nile-Red Sea canal: Viable waterway of costly white elephant?*

**13.00 - 14.00                      Lunch**

**14.00 - 15.45                      Session Three                                      Chair:**

Eivind Seland. *Shipwreck, maroons and monsters: The hazards of ancient Red Sea navigation.*

Yaacov Lev. *The Fatimid and Ayyubid naval presence in the Red Sea, 10<sup>th</sup> - 13<sup>th</sup> centuries AD.*

Paul Lunde. *João de Castro's Roteiro do Mar Roxo (1541).*

Sarah Searight. *Piracy on the Red Sea.*

**16.15 - 17.45                      Session Four                                      Chair:**

Hans Barnard. *The identification of the pastoral nomads on the north-western Red Sea littoral.*

Jonatan Krzywinski. *The Blemmy Culture: Graeco-Roman construct or genuine desert culture?*

Oscar Nalesini. *The Archaeologist encounters the Ichthyophagoi: History and use of a Greek ethnic name.*

**Wine Reception**



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## Friday 26<sup>th</sup> September

**09.00 - 10.30**

### Session Five

**Chair:**

Kenneth Kitchen. *Ancient polities along the Red Sea and its western and eastern hinterlands.*

Steve Sidebotham. *Jurash: Fieldwork in southwestern Saudi Arabia.*

Lucy Blue. *The Indian Ocean Huri project.*

Selvakumar/Cherian. *The Red Sea and India.*

**11.00 - 13.00**

### Session Six

**Chair:**

Frank Trombley. *Maritime and terrestrial links between the Red Sea and its hinterlands in the 7<sup>th</sup> c. C.E.: some papyri from Aphrodito (Aegyptus), Apollōnos Anō (Thebais II) and Nessana (Palaestina III).*

Maya Shatzmiller. *Did the Red Sea play a role in the Islamic economic growth of the 10<sup>th</sup> century AD.*

Rebecca Bridgeman. *Islamic Ceramics at Quseir al-Qadim: Preliminary Analyses of the New Evidence*

Colin Breen. *Medieval settlement and movement along the Red Sea coast of Sudan.*

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### Lunch

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### Session Seven

**Chair:**

Rudolfo Fattovitch. *The location of Punt: New evidence from Marsa/Wadi Gawasis (Egypt).*

Jacke Phillips. *Glass and glassworking at Aksum.*

Chiara Zazzaro. *Adulis and the Eritrean coast in the museum collections and in the Italian and European travelers' records.*

Marie-Claude Simeone-Senelle. *The sociolinguistic situation on the Dahlak Islands in Eritrea.*

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### Session Eight

**Chair:**

Kristoffer Damgaard. *New perspectives on Islamic settlement in Aqaba.*

Roxani Margariti. *Thieves or Sultans? Kish, Dahlak and the rulers and merchants of Indian Ocean port city states.*

William Facey. *Jiddah: Port of Makkah and the Indian trade.*

Closing Discussion

Please note: All papers will be twenty minutes in duration. There will be a period for questions and general discussion after the last paper of each session. Refreshments will be served between each session.