

AHRC/DFG Project presents:

Twisted Transfers: Discursive Constructions of Corruption in Ancient Greece and Rome



Conference: April 12-14, 2023

Senate House, Bloomsbury Room G35, University of London

Programme

Wednesday 12 April

Morning session

9.15 Welcome

9.30 Introduction

9.45 Mike Edwards (Royal Holloway): Twisted Transfers in the Attic Orators.

10.30 Yehudah Gershon (Potsdam): Best Left a 'Loan'? Apollodorus, Pasion and Timotheus.

11.15 *coffee break*

11.30 Antonio Sforacchi (Venezia): The 'Unimpeachables': The Anticorruption Norm in Athens, between Literary and Epigraphical Sources.

12.15 Daniela Marchiandi (Torino): "Twisted Transfers" in classical Attica through the Epigraphic Record.

Afternoon session

14.30 Victoria Gleich (Potsdam): Good and Bad Gifts in Xenophon.

15.15 Lucia Cecchet (Milano): What Can Go Wrong with Euergetism? A Case Study for Twisted Transfer: Dio Chrysostom's *Rhodian Oration*.

16.00 *coffee break*

16.15 Moritz Hinsch (München): Plautus' Twisted Transfers: Loans, Gifts, and Profits in Roman Comedy.

17.00 *End of the day*

Thursday 13 April

Morning session

9.15 Kathryn Tempest (Roehampton): Diagnosing Corruption: The Case of Sthenius of Thermae (Cic. *Verr.* II.2.82-118).

10.00 Sema Karataş (Köln): *Ambitus*. "A monster of many shapes" (Sen. *dial.* II.2): Canvassing and Electoral Bribery in Republican Rome.

10.45 *coffee break*

11.00 Niklas Engel (Potsdam): Why Bribing the Plebs? Reasons for Paying Bribes during Electioneering Processes in Republican Rome.

11.45 Lisa Eberle (Tübingen): (Un)twisting Transfers in Cicero's *Pro Flacco*: Law and the Construction of Corruption in Republican Rome.

Afternoon session

14.00 Cristina Rosillo-López (UPO, Sevilla): Twisting Census: Suspect Wealth and Ambiguous Transfers in the Roman Republic.

14.45 Irene Leonardis (Potsdam): Twisted Rome: The Corruption of Words and Reality in Late Republican Discourse.

15.30 *coffee break*

15.45 Stephen Blair (UCL): Varro on Farro: Cereal Offenders and Moral Decay in Roman Historical-Antiquarian Discourse.

16.30 Shushma Malik (Cambridge): *Exempla* and Transfer of *auctoritas* in Augustan Rome.

17.15 Christian Rollinger (Trier): 'Some Rise by Sin, and Some by Virtue Fall': Venality and Corruption at the Courts of the Julio-Claudians.

18.00 *End of the day*

Friday 14 April

9.30 Marta García Morcillo (Durham / ICS): Dishonest Profit, Corruption and Moral Economies in Tertullian.

10.15 Filippo Carlà-Uhink (Potsdam), Anti-Corruption and the Discursive Construction of the State in the Roman Empire of the 4th Century CE.

11.00 *coffee break*

11.15 Maik Patzelt (Freiburg), Romance Fraud in the Early Church.

12.00 **Final discussion.** with criminologist and forensic linguist Elisabeth Carter (Kingston)

13.00 *End of the conference*

Attendance free. Registration link: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/twisted-transfers-tickets-538012940187>

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