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In order to attend online or in presence please register by **June 16, 2024** with romanislam@uni-hamburg.de

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This workshop explores the role of mining and minting in the western Mediterranean world at the end of the Long Antiquity. It looks at the three large regional and political entities, North Africa, the Iberian Peninsula, and Frankish Western Europe. A special focus is on the spatial, political, and economic dimensions of mints and mines.

Where have the mines of the Iberian Peninsula, North Africa, and in Francia been situated? Who was able to exploit them? How long did they provide silver and gold? Also, where have the mints been located? What are the commercial and administrative networks that conveyed them to the mints? Why was silver processed into coins, as bullion for trade, and for regional monetary circulation? How have the mints been related to the commercial and state organization and who held the agency to mint coins?



Silver and Gold for the Empire

Hybrid Workshop

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RomanIslam – Center for Comparative Empire and Transcultural Studies (Early Islam)



Thursday, June 20, 2024

Edmund-Siemers-Allee 1, Hamburg, Rm. 11

09:00 Registration

09:30 **Stefan Heidemann**
(RomanIslam Center, Universität
Hamburg)
Introduction and Welcome

10:00 **Stephen Merkel**
(Ruhr-Universität Bochum)
Mines and Currency in the Islamic
Empire

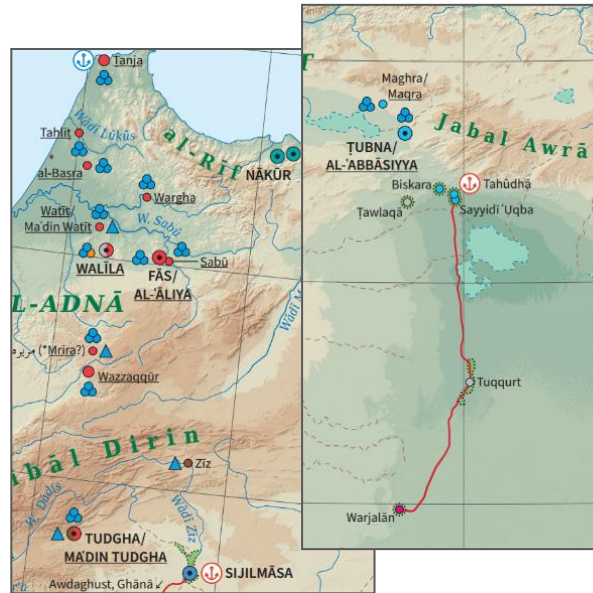
10:45 Coffee Break

11:00 **Alberto J. Canto**
(Universidad Autónoma de Madrid)
Mints and Mines on the Iberian
Peninsula

11:45 **Stefan Heidemann**
(RomanIslam Center, Universität
Hamburg)
North African Mints and Mines for the
Empire



Carolingian Denar, mining mint of Melle
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Mints and Mines in North Africa
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12:30 Lunch Break

13:30 **Rory Naismith**
(Cambridge University)
Sources of Bullion in the Frankish World

14:15 Round Table Discussion:
Mints and Mines, Merchants, and
Government

15:00 Coffee Break

15:15 **Kurt Franz**
(RomanIslam Center, Universität
Hamburg)
Mints, Mines, and Maps: Challenges
and Benefits of Charting Historic
Economic Activities

16:00 **Alberto J. Canto, Kurt Franz, Stefan
Heidemann, Stephen Merkel**
Conclave: Mapping Mints and Mines in
the Islamic West

18:00 Dinner



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