SCYTHIANS, SARMATIANS, ALANS IRANIAN-SPEAKING NOMADS OF THE EURASIAN STEPPES Autonomous University of Barcelona, 7th-10th May 2007

MONDAY 7th May 2007

- 8:30-9:30 Registration
- 9:30 Opening Session

• 10:00 Opening Lecture: Kovalevskaja, Vera (Moscow) Early Iranian Migrations in Eurasia

11:00 Coffee-Break

I. Scythian Origins (I): Animal Style & Early Scythian Period

• 11:30 Pogrebova, Marija [–Dmitrij Raevskij †] (Moscow) *The Origins of Scythian Culture: Animal Style*

• 12:00 Kantorovich, Anatolij (Moscow) On the Problem of the Genesis of the Scythian Animal Style

• 12:30 Erlikh, Vladimir (Moscow) Scythians in the Kuban Region: New Arguments to the Old Discussion

• 13:00 Pstrusińska, Jadwiga (Krakow) *Remarks on the Origin of the Iranian-Speaking Nomads of the Eurasian Steppes in the Light of Human Population Genetics*

14:00-15:00 Lunch

II. Scythian Origins (II): Early Scythian Period & Herodotus

• 15:00 Dzitstsojty, Jurij (Vladikavkaz) A Propos of Modern Hypotheses on the Origin of the Scythian Language

• 15:30 Pirart, Eric (Liege) Les "mauvais" nomades iranophones chez Hérodote (étude d'ethnonymie)

16:00 Coffee-Break

16:30 Salbiev, Tamerlan (Vladikavkaz) Contradicting Herodotus: The Scythian Personal Names from the Black Sea Coast with the Element xar- "Ass, Donkey"
17:00 Bzarov, Ruslan (Vladikavkaz) The Scytho-Alanic Model of Social Organization (Herodotus' Scythia, Nart Epic and Post-Medieval Alania)

19:00 Reception for attending scholars at Serhs Campus Hotel

TUESDAY 8th May 2007

III. Middle and Late Scythian Period

• 9:00 Moshinskij, Aleksandr (Moscow) *The Scythians and the Caucasus in the 5th-4th c. B.C.*

• 9:30 Zajtsev, Jurij (Simferopol) *The Late Scythian Culture of the Crimea in the Context of Scythian and Sarmatian Antiquities*

• 10:00 Takazov, Fedar (Vladikavkaz) Survivals of Scythian Funeral Rituals in the Ossetian Nart Epic

10:30 Coffee-Break

IV. Sarmatian Period

• 11:00 Jablonskij, Leonid (Moscow) New Excavations of the Sarmatian "Tzar's" (Royal) Kurgan in the South Ural Area

• 11:30 Jatsenko, Sergej (Moscow) Methodological Problems in the Study of the Tamga-Nishan Signs of the Sarmatian Nomadic Clans

• 12:00 Mordvintseva, Valentina (Simferopol) *The Sarmatian Animal Style: Possibilities of Ethnic Reconstruction*

• 12:30 Istvánovits, Eszter (Nyíregyháza) - Kulcsár, Valeria (Aszód) *The First* Sarmatians in the Great Hungarian Plain

• 13:00 Kusainova, Mejramgul'-Vural, Haldun (Almaty) Sarmatians on the Territory of Kazakhstan: Archaeological Monuments

14:00-15:00 Lunch

V. Sarmatians and Northern Black Sea Area

• 15:00 Ivantchik, Askold (Moscow) *Greeks and Iranians in the Bosporus in the 1st c. B.C. - 1st c. A.D.: New Epigraphical Data from Tanais*

• 15:30 Podosinov, Aleksandr (Moscow) Greeks and Iranians in the Olbia Region in the First Centuries A.D.

• 16:00 Sharov, Oleg (St. Petersburg) *The Burials of the Sarmatian Aristocracy of Bosporus in the Late Roman Period*

16:30 Coffee-Break

VI. Iranian Steppe Nomads & Near East

• 17:00 Kullanda, Sergej (Moscow) Scythian Wordstock in Cuneiform Sources

• 17:30 Borjian, Habib (Tehran) Looking North from the Lofty Iranian Plateau: a Persian View of Steppe Iranians

• 18:00 Olbrycht, Marek Jan (Rzeszow) Arsacid Iran and the Nomads of Central Eurasia (3rd c. B.C.-2nd c. A.D.)

WEDNESDAY 9th May 2007

VII. Iranian Steppe Nomads & Central Asia (I): Yuezhi, Saka, Indo-Scythians

• 9:30 Ramírez, Laureano (Barcelona) Iranian Steppe Nomads in Chinese Accounts of the Western Regions: some toponyms and locations related to Da Yuezhi's Xiumi

• 10:00 Lymer, Kenneth (London) Animal Art in the Early Saka Period of Kazakhstan

• 10:30 Canepa, Matthew (Charleston) *The Problem of Indo-Scythian Art and Kingship: Evolving Images of Power and Royal Identity between the Iranian, Hellenistic and South Asian Worlds*

11:00 Coffee-Break

VIII. Iranian Steppe Nomads & Central Asia (II): Sogdiana, Chorasmia

• 11:30 Lurje, Pavel (Vienna) Iranian Nomadic Heritage in Sogdian Wordstock

• 12:00 Kidd, Fiona (Sydney) Steppe Elements in the Art of Chorasmia: the Kazakl'iyatkan Wall Paintings

• 12:30 Karasulas, Antony (Armidale) *Technology Transfer among the Ancient Peoples* of the Eurasian Steppe

• 13:00 Negus Cleary, Michelle (Sydney) *The Influence of Steppe Nomads on the Architecture of Central Asia: a Case Study of Chorasmian Fortified Enclosures*

14:00-15:00 Lunch

IX. Methodological Introduction to the Alanic Period

15:00 Perevalov, Sergej (Vladikavkaz) Interdisciplinary Approach to Alanic Studies
15:30 Savenko, Sergej (Kislovodsk) Alan Horsemen in Written Sources and Archaeological Data: Problems of Comparative Analysis

16:00 Coffee-Break

X. Early Alanic Period

• 16:30 Gagloev, Robert (Tskhinvali) The Sarmato-Alans and South Ossetia

• 17:00 Balakhvantsev, Archil (Moscow) The Date of the Alans' First Appearance in Eastern Europe

• 17:30 López Sánchez, Fernando (Zaragoza) *The Sarmatians and their Relation with Rome as Evidenced by Roman Coinage (AD 68-180): from Unstable Alliance to Declared Hostility*

18:00 Visit to Roman and Medieval Barcelona

THURSDAY 10th May 2007

XI. Alans and *Völkerwanderung*

• 9:30 Kazanski, Michel - Mastykova, Anna (Paris) La culture "princière" barbare de l'époque des grandes migrations et les Alains

10:00 López Quiroga, Jorge - Catalán, Raúl (Madrid) Alan Archaeology in Spain?
10:30 Pinar, Joan (Barcelona) Six Golden Finds from Mediterranean and Atlantic Hispania and their Links with Early 5th c. Barbarian Graves

11:00 Coffee-Break

XII. Medieval Alania (I): from the Migrations Period to the Alan Kingdom

• 11:30 Alemany, Agusti (Barcelona) - Arzhantseva, Irina (Moscow) Alanica Bilingua: Sources vs. Archaeology. The Case of East and West Alania

• 12:00 Gabuev, Tamerlan (Moscow) *The Centre of Alanic Power in North Ossetia in the 5th c. A.D.*

• 12:30 Korobov, Dmitrij (Moscow) On the Areas of the North Caucasus Settled by Alanic Tribes According to Archaeological Data and Written Sources

• 13:00 Tsarikaeva-Albegova, Zarina (Moscow) Alanic Amulets of the 5th-9th c. A.D.

14:00-15:00 Lunch

XIII. Medieval Alania (II): International Background

• 15:00 Petrukhin, Vladimir (Moscow) *The Alans in the Russian Primary Chronicle* and in Russian History

- 15:30 Bais, Marco (Bologna-Roma) Alans in Armenian Sources after the 10th c. A.D.
- 16:00 Jackson, Tatjana (Moscow) An Echo of Ancient Scythia in Old Norse Sources?

16:30 Coffee-Break

XIV. Late Alanic and Early Ossetic Period

• 17:00 Kambolov, Tamerlan (Vladikavkaz) Some New Observations on the Zelenčuk Inscription and Tzetzes' Alanic Phrases

• 17:30 Fidarov, Rustem (Vladikavkaz) Horse Burials in the Zmejskaja Catacomb Burial Place

- 18:00 Gutnov, Feliks (Vladikavkaz) The Genesis of Feudalism in the North Caucasus
- 18:30 Closing Session