



Research Networking Programmes

Short Visit Grant or Exchange Visit Grant

(please tick the relevant box)

Scientific Report

Scientific report (one single document in WORD or PDF file) should be submitted online within one month of the event. It should not exceed eight A4 pages.

Proposal Title: The Second(ary) Life of Manuscripts

Application Reference N°: 5836

1) Purpose of the visit

Participating, as leader of COMSt Team 2, in an international conference convened by the Centre for the Research of Manuscript Cultures (SFB 950) at Hamburg University. The conference was co-organized by the Nepalese-German Manuscript Cataloguing Project, the ERC-funded Ethio-SPaRe: Cultural Heritage of Christian Ethiopia: Salvation, Preservation, Research, as well as the ESF RNP Comparative Oriental Manuscript Studies

2) Description of the work carried out during the visit

The main purpose of this conference was to define typologies of re-use of manuscripts across several manuscripts cultures: Georgian, Arabic, Ethiopian, Greek, Indian, Turkish, West European. I participated as a respondent during the discussion, offering my expertise in the field of Greek manuscript traditions.

3) Description of the main results obtained

Although it proved difficult to arrive at a consensus concerning the typologies of reuse of manuscripts, one of the papers (by D. Nosnitsin) and the final discussion led by M. Maniaci and G. De Gregorio, offered valuable ideas as to how consider and categorize re-uses of manuscripts. The results of this discussion should be published and discussed further.

4) Future collaboration with host institution (if applicable)

The ESF RNP COMSt should keep close contacts with the Centre for the Research of Manuscript Cultures (SFB 950). Some of the COMSt members are participating in the many activities carried on at the Centre, and there are many contact points between the two projects.

5) Projected publications / articles resulting or to result from the grant (*ESF must be acknowledged in publications resulting from the grantee's work in relation with the grant*)

A publication of the Proceedings has been announced.

6) Other comments (if any)

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