ESF Exploratory Workshop on

Roman colonization under the Republic:
Towards a new interpretative framework

Ravenstein (the Netherlands), November 9-12, 2010

Convened by:
Tesse Stek and Jeremia Pelgrom

SCIENTIFIC REPORT
1. Executive summary

The workshop was held at the Soeterbeeck conference centre at Ravenstein, The Netherlands, from 9 to 12 November 2010. It brought together 21 scholars working in 9 different countries. On the evening of 9 November the participants were welcomed by the organisers at the conference centre where dinner was served. The next day, the workshop started with a welcome by Eric Moormann, chair of the department of classical archaeology at the University of Nijmegen, which co-sponsored the event, followed by an introduction to the ESF by Sophia Kremydi.

The conference aimed at an exploration of new developments in the study of Roman colonization in the Republican period in different fields such as historiography, ancient history and archaeology. In order to pursue this goal, the organisers sought to bring together specialists working in different fields, which sometimes tend to coincide with national boundaries, to explore how recent trends in these different fields relate to each other, and whether more communication and collaboration could be fruitful for developing our understanding of Roman colonization and expansion under the Republic.

The workshop was organized thematically and consisted of five interdisciplinary sessions with papers of 20-25 minutes and a 5-10 discussion after every two papers as well as session discussions. Every day two sessions were held.

The first day, an introduction to the workshop theme and two initial papers were given by the convenors, which formed the prelude to a session on current questions and definitions in Roman republican colonisation. The afternoon session dealt with the relationship between forms of urbanism and colonisation. On Thursday 11 November two sessions were held, one on rural areas and related socio-political issues, and one on religious aspects of colonisation.

The morning session of Friday 12 November focused on the creation of centrality of Rome under the republic and beyond, and the conference closed on this day with a final discussion session on possible follow-up collaborations.

Participants agreed that the workshop was highly successful in stimulating interaction and collaboration in different disciplines and fields, giving scholars the opportunity to discuss their research with a group of experts with widely varying academic backgrounds. In this way, it enabled a thorough discussion of both general research trends and agenda’s and specific issues which were demonstrated to benefit from different approaches or perspectives. The closed character of the
meeting, enhanced by the isolated location of the conference centre in an ancient nunnery, contributed importantly to the interaction and discussion between participants.

2. Scientific content of the event

The papers fell into the following sessions:

1) Roman colonization. Questions, Definitions, Backgrounds and Comparanda.  
This first session included discussions on the morphology and structure of colonial communities through sacred and legal arguments, and important discussions of the relationship of imperial strategies and colonization as well as comparanda in different areas.

2) Urban forms and transformations.  
The second session focused on archaeological evidence for urbanization and changes in the urban lay-out, as well as its relationship, or the lack of a relationship, to Roman models.

3) The rural areas and socio-political issues.  
This third session discussed both legal and archaeological perspectives on the organisation of landscapes and colonial communities and aspect of their relationship to Rome.

4) The religious dimension of colonization.  
The fourth session engaged with cults and religious institutions in colonies, and the ways these were established in both new and existing communities.

5) The creation of Roman centrality. This session consisted of two papers on different aspects of the Capitoline cult and its adaptativity in different contexts, as well as its continued relationship to developments in Rome itself.

6) Final discussion. In this general discussion session, possible follow-up activities were discussed (cf. below).
3. Assessment of the results, contribution to the future direction of the field, outcome

Publication
It was agreed to prepare an edited volume on the subject of the conference which will be based on the papers presented during the conference and the ensuing discussions, and which will be complemented by additional chapters on subjects which could not be covered during the conference, which will be solicited from other authors. First drafts of contributions will circulate amongst the participants for feedback. A wiki will be created to facilitate this internal reviewing. The deadline for submission of these first drafts is April 2011. The final deadline is set on September 2011.

Network opportunities and new projects
One of the most important goals of the workshop was to bring together scholars working in different research traditions. The lively and fruitful discussions during the conference attested to the value of such multi-disciplinary meetings and all participants expressed a great interest in creating a network that can stimulate this cross-fertilisation also in the future. Several possibilities have been discussed and it was agreed to schedule new meetings in the near future (on this below) and to create a wiki which will be used to facilitate communication between the participants of this network. Regrettably, we were informed that the 2010 call for ESF networking programs had been cancelled and that different sources for finance will have to be obtained.

Further meetings
A second meeting on the subject of Roman republican colonisation is already scheduled for October 2011 in Glasgow, to be organised by Alicia Jimenez, Tesse Stek and Peter van Dommelen.
4. Final programme

Tuesday 9 November 2010

Afternoon
19.00 Get-together in Ravenstein, Conference centre; Dinner

Wednesday 10 November 2010

09.00-09.15 Welcome by Co-Sponsor Eric M. Moormann (Chair Classical Archaeology, Radboud University Nijmegen)

09.15-09.30 Presentation of the European Science Foundation (ESF) Sophia Kremydi (National Hellenic Research Foundation, Athens, GR, Standing Committee for the Humanities [SCH])

09.30-15.30 First Session: Roman colonization. Questions, Definitions, Backgrounds and Comparanda

9.30-10.00 Roman colonization under the Republic: towards a new interpretative framework/ Territory and community: the contribution of colonial sacred landscapes Tesse Stek (Oxford University, Oxford, UK)

10.00-10.30 Roman colonization and the city-state model Jeremia Pelgrom (VU University Amsterdam, Leiden University, NL)

10.30-11.00 Coffee / Tea Break

11.00-11.30 Private Vires, Public Virtus. Family agendas and Republican expansion Nicola Terrenato (University of Michigan, Michigan, US)

11.30-12.00 Roman colonisation in the light of new perspectives on mid Republican imperialism Guy Bradley (Cardiff University, Cardiff, UK)

12.00-12.30 Discussion

12.30-14.00 Lunch

14.00-14.30 Roman Colonization under the Republic: some Hellenistic comparanda Ed Bispham (Oxford University, Oxford, UK)

14.30-15.00 What was non-Roman about Roman colonization? Michael Crawford (UCL, London, UK)

15.00-15.30 Discussion

15.30-16.00 Coffee/Tea Break
Second Session: Urban forms and transformations

16.00-16.30 Roman Republican colonies in Central Adriatic Italy: archaeological evidence and historical data for the urban centers
Frank Vermeulen / Cristina Corsi (Ghent University, Ghent, BE/ University of Cassino, Cassino, IT)

16.30-17.00 Veränderungen vormals großgriechischer Kolonien bei Annektierung in das römische Herrschaftsgebiet – Das Beispiel Poseidonia – Paestum
Eva-Maria Lackner (Universität Heidelberg, Heidelberg, DE)

17.00-17.30 Gellius, colonization, and the model/replica debate
Jamie Sewell (Humboldt Universität, Berlin, DE)

17.30-18.30 Discussion

Thursday 11 November 2010

Third Session: The rural areas and socio-political issues

09.00-09.30 The Pontine region, laboratory of Roman colonization?
Peter Attema (Groningen University, Groningen, NL)

9.30-10.00 Maritime colonies
Luuk de Ligt (Leiden University, Leiden, NL)

10.00-10.30 Coffee / Tea Break

10.30-11.00 La colonisation romaine républicaine pour la construction des espaces <ripariens> en Italie
Ella Hermon (Université Laval, Québec, CA)

11.00-11.30 Colonisation et <indigènes> dans l’ Italie antique
Michel Tarpin (Université de Grenoble 2, Grenoble, FR)

11.30-12.00 Discussion

12.00-14.00 Lunch

Fourth Session: The religious dimension of colonization

14.00-14.30 The religious roles of colonial triumvirs
Fay Glinister (University of Cardiff, Cardiff, UK)

14.30-15.00 Tutelary Deities and the Colonies
Marion Boos (Technische Universität Darmstadt, Darmstadt, DE)

15.00-15.30 Coffee / tea break

15.30-16.00 The cult of Apollo in Roman colonization
Andrea Carini (Università di Perugia, Perugia, IT)

16.00-16.30 Il santuario di Ercole ad Alba Fucens: nuovi dati dai recenti scavi
Daniela Liberatore (Università di Foggia, Foggia, IT)

16.30-17.30 Discussion

19.00 Dinner
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Time</th>
<th>Session</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>09.00-11.00</td>
<td><strong>Fifth Session: The creation of Roman centrality</strong></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>09.00-09.30</td>
<td><strong>Coloniae and the Capitol</strong></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td><strong>Nicholas Purcell</strong> (Oxford University, Oxford, UK)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>09.30-10.00</td>
<td>“… cum primum civitas Romana adacta est (IRT, 412)”. The Capitolium of Lepcis Magna</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td><strong>Mario Torelli</strong> (Università di Perugia, Perugia, IT)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10.00-10.30</td>
<td><strong>Discussion</strong></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10.30-11.00</td>
<td><strong>Coffee / Tea Break</strong></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>11.00-13.00</td>
<td><strong>Sixth Session: Discussion of new lines of research and possible collaborations/networks / arrangements for follow-up activities</strong></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>13.00-14.00</td>
<td><strong>Lunch and End of Workshop</strong></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

*Afternoon departure*
5. Final list of participants

Convenor:
1. Tesse STEK
   Brasenose College, Oxford University
   Oxford OX1 4AJ
   United Kingdom
tesse.stek@bnc.ox.ac.uk

Co-Convenor:
2. Jeremia PELGROM
   VU University Amsterdam
   De Boelelaan 1105
   1081 HV Amsterdam
   The Netherlands
   j.pelgrom@let.vu.nl

ESF Representative:
3. Sophia KREMYDI
   National Hellenic Research Foundation
   Centre for Greek and Roman Antiquity
   48 vas. Constantinou avenue
   116 35 Athens
   Greece
   sophiakr@eie.gr

Participants:
4. Peter ATTEMA
   University of Groningen
   Poststraat 6
   9712 ER Groningen
   The Netherlands
   p.a.j.attema@rug.nl

5. Ed BISPHAM
   Brasenose College, Oxford University
   OX1 4AJ Oxford
   United Kingdom
   ed.bispham@bnc.ox.ac.uk

6. Marion BOOS
   Technische Universität Darmstadt
   Architektur- Archäologie
   El-Lissitzky-Str.1
   64287 Darmstadt
   Germany
   mboos@klarch.tu-darmstadt.de

7. Guy BRADLEY
   University of Cardiff
   Humanities, Colum Drive
   Cardiff CF10 3EU
   United Kingdom
   bradleygj@cardiff.ac.uk

8. Andrea CARINI
   Via San Francesco s.n.
   06023 Fraz. Gaifana Gualdo Tadino (PG)
   Italy
   andcarin@libero.it

9. Michael CRAWFORD
   University College London
   24 Gordon Square
   London WC1E 6BT
   United Kingdom
   imagines.italicae@sas.ac.uk

10. Fay GLINISTER
    University of Cardiff
    Humanities, Colum Drive
    Cardiff CF10 3EU
    United Kingdom
    fayglinister@yahoo.com

11. Ella HERMON
    Université Laval
    Pavillon Charles-De Koninck local 5266 (I.E.A.)
    Québec G1V 0A6
    Canada
    Ella.Hermon@hst.ulaval.ca

12. Eva-Maria LACKNER
    Universität Heidelberg
    Mühlgasse 14
    68526 Ladenburg
    Germany
    eva-maria.lackner@urz.uni-heidelberg.de

13. Nicholas PURCELL
    St John's College
    Oxford University
    Oxford OX1 3JP
    United Kingdom
    nicholas.purcell@sjc.ox.ac.uk

14. Jamie SEWELL
    Institut fuer Archaeologie
    Winckelmann-Institut
    Humboldt-Universitaet zu Berlin
    Philosophische Fakultaet III
    Unter den Linden 6
    10099 Berlin
    Germany
    jamiesowell@web.de

15. Michel TARPIN
    Université Pierre Mendès France
    Grenoble II
    BP 47
    38040 Grenoble Cedex 9
    France
    michel.tarpin@gmail.com
16. Nicola TERRENATO  
University of Michigan  
435 S, State Street  
Ann Arbor MI 48109-1003  
US  
terrenat@umich.edu

17. Luuk de LIGT  
Leiden University  
Institute for History  
Johan Huizingagebouw Doelensteeg 16  
2311 VL Leiden  
The Netherlands  
l.de.ligt@hum.leidenuniv.nl

18. Daniela LIBERATORE  
Università di Foggia  
via Arpi, 155 – 176  
71100 Foggia  
Italy  
danielaliberatore@libero.it

19. Frank VERMEULEN  
Ghent University  
Sint-Pietersnieuwstraat 33-35  
9000 Gent  
Belgium  
Frank.Vermeulen@UGent.be

20. Cristina CORSI  
Università degli Studi di Cassino  
Dipartimento di Filologia e Storia, Via  
Zamosch  
03043 Cassino (FR)  
Italy  
c.corsi@unicas.it

21. Mario TORELLI  
Università di Perugia  
Via Armonica, 3  
06123 Perugia  
Italy
6. Statistical information on participants

Gender repartition: 14 male, 7 female

Age structure: youngest 28, oldest 73 (further details unknown, but the group consisted of a mix of established researchers and early career researchers)

Country of origin:

1 Canada
1 USA
1 Belgium
1 France
1 Greece
3 Germany
3 Netherlands
4 Italy
6 United Kingdom