

## 9<sup>th</sup> CRASIS Annual Meeting: Groningen, 12 March 2021

### **Christian Origins and the Mediterranean Landscape**

You are cordially invited to our 9th Annual Meeting (online), on Friday March 12th. With this, we proudly present our programme (below) and our keynote speaker, Prof. Laura Nasrallah, Buckingham Professor of New Testament Criticism and Interpretation at Yale University.

This year's meeting aims to explore the emergence of those who would be later named as "Christians." We shall examine their similarities and differences to contemporaneous groups, often focusing on evidence from those who are not elite. Prof. Nasrallah will give the following keynote:

### **Glossolalia, Composition, and Voces Magicae: Language's Limitations and Excess**

#### **Practicalities**

Due to the online nature of the conference, we do not require you to register in order to participate. The annual meeting itself will be hosted on the Zoom platform and can be accessed via the following link: <https://zoom.us/j/98881856592>

Meeting ID: 988 8185 6592

Passcode: 422170

The online reception afterwards will take place via Gather, the details for which will be announced during the day itself.

#### **Students can earn 1 ECTS**

Students of the Dutch research schools OIKOS and ARCHON can earn 1 ECTS by attending the Annual Meeting and writing a short report on it. If you wish to receive these ECTS, please register by email, stating your personal information and affiliation. NB: those also participating in the Master Class will earn 2 ECTS.

Further information on the 9th Annual Meeting will appear on our [website](#). To stay on top of news concerning the Annual Meeting and other events, be sure to follow us on [Facebook](#), or apply for the newsletter by sending an e-mail to [crasis.aws@rug.nl](mailto:crasis.aws@rug.nl).

**Programme** (times are CET [EST + 6])

12 March 2021

14:30–14:40 Welcome on behalf of CRASIS - **Lidewijde de Jong** (University of Groningen)

SESSION 1 (CHAIR: LIDEWIJDE DE JONG)

14:40–15:15 **Barbara Crostini** (University College Stockholm)

‘Should we Call the Post-Resurrection Community ‘Jewstians’?’

15:15–15:50 **Despina Iosif** (Hellenic Open University)

‘In Deo vivas: The Tombstones of Early Christ-Followers Military Personnel’

15:50–16:20 Break

SESSION 2 (CHAIR: JEREMIA PELGROM)

16:20–16:55 **Vesna Lalošević** and **Marina Zgrablić** (Association Croate pour l’Étude de la Mosaïque antique and Juraj Dobrila University of Pula)

‘Christian Responses to the Manifestations of Local and Imperial Power in the Legends of Pannonian and Praevalitan Martyrs: Some Examples’

16:55–17:30 **Susan Dunning** (University of Oxford)

‘Decessit de Saeculo: Christian Rejection of the Imperial ‘New Age’ in Martyrdom Accounts and Funerary Inscriptions’

17:30–17:45 Break

KEYNOTE ADDRESS (CHAIR: SUSANNE LUTHER)

17:45–17:50 Welcome on behalf of CRASIS - **Susanne Luther** (University of Groningen)

17:50–18:45 **Laura Nasrallah** (Yale University)

‘Glossolalia, Composition, and Voces Magicae: Language’s Limitations and Excess’

18:45–19:30 Concluding session