



# ANCIENT NEAR EASTERN FIGURINES

Tallinn Colloquium, September 17 – 19, 2015

Preliminary Program



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**On behalf of the University of Helsinki – Centre of Excellence  
'Changes in Sacred Texts and Traditions' (CSTT)**  
Under the Auspices of the Association of Coroplastic Studies (ACoSt)

**Venue:** Theological Institute, Tallinn.

## THURSDAY 17.9.2015

**09:30–10:00:** Opening Words

### Opening Lecture

**10:00–10:45:** Amihai Mazar, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

*Late Bronze/Iron Age Figurines and Figurine Moulds from Beth Shean and Rehov, Israel*

**10:45–11:15:** Coffee break

### Session I: Iron Age Transjordan

**11:15–12:00:** P. M. Michèle Daviau, Wilfrid Laurier University

*Gods, Goddesses, Men and Women in Ammonite Iconography*

**12:00–12:45:** Régine Hunziker-Rodewald, University of Strassburg

*“Made in Her Image”: Iron Age Female Terracotta Figurines from Jordan*

**Lunch:** 12:45–14:15

### Session II: Iron Age Judah and Israel

**14:15–15:00:** Katri Saarelainen, University of Helsinki

*Anthropomorphic Figurines of Iron Age Northern Israel*

**15:00–15:45:** Erin Darby, University of Tennessee, Knoxville

*Lachish and Jerusalem Cave I: Judean Pillar Figurines in Caves*

**15:45–16:30:** Raz Kletter, University of Helsinki

*Are there Regional Styles in the Figurines of the Kingdom of Judah?*

**Coffee Break:** 16:30–17:00

### Session III: Iron Age Cyprus

**17:00–17:45:** Giorgos Papantoniou, Trinity College Dublin

*Transmissions and Transformations of Culture: The Cypriot Iron Age Figurines*

**Break:** 17:45–19:00

**Reception Dinner:** 19:00

## FRIDAY 18.9.2015

### Opening Lecture

**09:30–10:15:** Diana Edelman, University of Oslo

*The Teraphim embodied as Figurines: Dead Ancestors or Household Gods?*

### Session IV: Persian Period Idumea and Yehud

**10:15–11:15:** Adi Erlich, University of Haifa

*Persian Period Terracotta Figurines from Idumaea as Regional and Ethnic Markers*

**Coffee break:** 11:15–11:45

**11:45–12:30:** Izaak de Hulster, University of Helsinki

*Figurines in Achaemenid Period Yehud*

**12:30–13:15:** Christian Frevel, Ruhr-University Bochum

*Southern Levantine Figurines of the Iron Age and Persian Period: A Comparative View*

**Lunch:** 13:15–14:30

### Session V: Pottery Experiment

**14:30–16:45:** Asuur Pottery Workshop

### Concluding Discussion

**16:45–17:30:** (Theological Institute)

**Dinner:** 19:00

## SATURDAY 19.9.2015

**Tour of Tallinn:** 9:00–12:00.