

September 18 (Wed.)

9:15-9:30 Greetings and Opening Words by the Organizers

Ada Taggar Cohen, Uri Gabbay, and Daisuke Shibata

9:30-10:30 Opening Lecture (Chair: So Miyagawa)

Nurit Stadler (Hebrew University of Jerusalem) "Ritual Practice and Anthropological Theory"

10:30-12:45 Ritual and Local Traditions (Chair: Gina Konstantopoulos)

Keynote Lecture

10:30-11:15 Fumi Karahashi (Chuo University) "Gala in Pre-Sargonic Lagash: An Overview"

Series of Workshops for Young Scholars

Workshop no. 1

11:30-11:55 Ami Asyag (Hebrew University of Jerusalem) "Defining the Corpus of Sumerian Emesal Prayers from Uruk: Preliminary Results"

11:55-12:20 Shinya Tsujisaka (Doshisha University) "Offerings to the Temple of Enlil in Nippur during the Ur III Period"

12:20-12:45 Kotaro Mamata (University of Tsukuba) "Temple Loans from Tutub during the Early Old Babylonian Period Revisited"

14:00-14:50 Ritual and Memory (Chair: Shuichi Hasegawa)

Workshop no. 2

14:00-14:25 Miyaki Arai (Doshisha University) "The Significance of Burial for the Royal House of Judah and Israel"

14:25-14:50 Jakov Kadochinikov (University of Tsukuba) "The Memory of Sargonic Kings in the Ritual Practices of the Post-Akkadian Period"

14:50-15:45 Ritual and Space (Chair: Saki Kikuchi)

Workshop no. 3

14:50-15:15 Benny Yonin (Hebrew University of Jerusalem) "*bīt mummi*: The Meeting Point of Divine and Material Creation"

15:15-15:45 Yael Leokumovich (Hebrew University of Jerusalem) "Narrating Origins: Materials, Space, and Rituals"

16:00-17:15 Ritual and Language (Chair: Yuval Levavi)

Workshop no. 4

16:00-16:25 Julia Tulaikov (Hebrew University of Jerusalem)

"A Glance at the Topic 'Emesal Prayers in Ritual Use' (with the Example of Enki Balags)"

16:25-16:50 Chunrong Ni (Hebrew University of Jerusalem) "Ritual and Language: Which Comes from Which?"

16:50-17:15 Pui-Yee Joyce Leung (Hebrew University of Jerusalem) "The Potential Ritual Aspect of the Emesal Vocabulary Tablets"

September 19 (Thur.)

9:15-10:45 Ritual, Priestly Knowledge, and Practice (Chair: Sanae Ito)

9:15-9:45 Gina Konstantopoulos (University of California Los Angeles)

"Practical Magic: Figurines and their Adornment in Mesopotamian Ritual Texts"

9:45-10:15 Yasuyuki Mitsuma (Kwansei Gakuin University) "Divination and Game Board: BM 33333B Revisited"

10:15-10:45 Yuval Levavi (Hebrew University of Jerusalem) "Networks and Circles of Historiographical Knowledge in Sixth Century Babylonia"

11:15-12:15 Ritual, Time and Occasions (Chair: Hajime Yamamoto)

11:15-11:45 Ada Taggar Cohen (Doshisha University)

"Divine Support in Going to War: Ritual in the Life of King Saul in Light of Hittite Rituals in CTH 612 and CTH 423"

11:45-12:15 Daisuke Shibata (University of Tsukuba) "The Akītu-Festival of Ištar-of-Nineveh"

12:15-12:30 Concluding Remarks

Yakir Paz (Hebrew University of Jerusalem)