First Circular (27-11-2012)

I. General Informations

It is our great pleasure to invite you to attend **the 14th International Congress of the International Federation of the Societies of Classical Studies** (FIEC), which will be held in Bordeaux (France) between Monday 25th August and Saturday 30th August 2014. After the congress in Berlin (2009), this meeting in Bordeaux will give classicists from around the world and at all stages of their careers the opportunity to gather and provide an overview of the most recent research in classical studies.

The three French associations affiliated to FIEC (Association Guillaume Budé, Association pour l'Encouragement des Études grecques en France and Société des Études latines) have entrusted the organization of this 14th Congress to the Michel de Montaigne-Bordeaux 3 University and to the Ausonius Institute, a very active research center internationally recognized in the field of classical studies. The President of the Congress is Prof. **Valérie Fromentin** (Ausonius Director). Prof. **Jean-Louis Ferrary** (Institut de France, EPHE, president of the Association Guillaume Budé) is Honorary President and Prof. **Sophie Gotteland** is General Secretary. The congress is supported by an Organization Committee (local, national and international). This Organization Committee has established a list of 17 panels and has invited the 34 guest speakers (two for each panel) who will deliver the opening and closing lectures of each panel.

All sessions will take place in the Congress Center « **Athénée municipal** » located in the historical center of Bordeaux. The Athénée municipal provides a large auditorium for up to 500 persons, convenient for the plenary sessions, and eleven conference rooms for the various panels.

All relevant information concerning scientific or practical matters related to this event is to be found on the **Congress website** (http://fiec2014.sciencesconf.org/). This information will be gradually and regularly updated until the beginning of the congress.

The **registration** process (with online payment) will be managed through the website, from February 2013 onwards. A second circular, at the beginning of January 2013, will provide all information about fees, conditions and registration procedure.

II. Call for papers

The Congress will hold two different types of speeches:

- 1) Lectures (45 minutes) pronounced during plenary sessions by the speakers invited by the International Committee.
- 2) Communications (20 minutes) taking place during the different panels. The Organization Committee will select those communications from unsolicited applications. The organizers are particularly interested in papers that focus on new material evidence, new interpretations of texts or new interpretive paradigms.

Every person wishing to make a communication of 20 minutes should submit a title and an abstract (max. 200 words) to the Organization Committee, indicating in which panel they wish to participate. Those details should be sent exclusively by using the form provided on the website. We shall ignore any abstract submitted without this form or after September 30th, 2013. The candidates will receive a notification from the Organization Committee as to whether or not their abstract has been accepted by the end of november 2013.

In order to make exchanges easier, the papers should be presented in one of the following languages: English, French, German, and Italian.

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