The Relationship between Poetry and Prose in Medieval Times (11th – 15th c.)

November 24th 2023,
Department of Byzantine and Modern Greek Studies,
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Programme

10:30 Reception

10:45 Welcoming Address and Introduction
Nikos Zagklas (University of Vienna/University of Zurich)

11:00 Session 1
Chair: Krystina Kubina (Austrian Academy of Sciences)
Vessela Valiavitcharska (University of Maryland)
*On Beauty*

Julian Bertola (University of Ghent/Princeton University)
*Verse Marginalia in Byzantine Manuscripts of Prose Texts*

12:30 Lunch Break

14:00 Session 2
Chair: Elvira Wakelnig (University of Vienna)
Dominic Parviz Brookshaw (University of Oxford)
*Strung Gems vs Scattered Pearls: The Superiority of Poetry over Prose in Medieval Iran*

Nicola Carpentieri (University of Padua)
*Arabic Poetry in Norman Sicily: Affecting Social Spaces through the Spoken Word*

15:30 Coffee Break

16:00 Session 3
Chair: Christophe Erismann (University of Vienna)
Rogelio Toledo (University of Vienna)
*Didactic Poetry in Twelfth-Century Byzantium: The Poem of John Tzetzes on Porphyry’s Isagogi*

Floriane Goy (University of Geneva)
*From Poetry to Philosophy: On the Didactic Function of Some Twelfth-Century Latin Poems*

17:30 Roundtable discussion and conclusion

19:30 Dinner for invited guests

All sessions take place in the lecture hall of the Department of Byzantine and Modern Greek Studies of the University of Vienna: Postgasse 9, 1010 Vienna.

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