EBLA AND BEYOND
Ancient Near Eastern Studies after Fifty Years of Discoveries at Tell Mardikh
Rome, 15\textsuperscript{th}-17\textsuperscript{th} December 2014

Archaeological Expedition at Ebla
MONDAY 15th DECEMBER
Comune di Roma, Sala della Protomoteca, Piazza del Campidoglio, Palazzo Senatorio

9:30 Opening Session
Ignaizio Marino, Mayor of Rome
Louis Godart, Counsellor of the President of Italian Republic
Francesco Rutelli, President of the Association Priorità Cultura
Frances Pinnock, President of Sapienza University of Rome
Enzo Lippolis, Director of the Department of Antiquities Sciences, Sapienza University of Rome

11:00 Coffee Break

Morning Session (Chair: Alfonso Archi)

9:00 G. Rubio (Pennsylvania State University)
Ebla and Mesopotamian Scribal Tradition: Language Classification and Cultural Bricolage

9:30 M. Krebemik (Universität Jena)
Syllables in Eblaite and Their Representation in the Eblaite Writing System

10:00 A. Kzzo (Sapienza University of Rome)
Cappadocian Style Seals at Ebla

10:20 Coffee Break

11:00 L. Cooper (University of British Columbia)
Half-Full or Half-Empty? Past and Recent Research of EBIV ‘Caliciform’ Goblets and Their Chronological and Socio-Economic Implications

11:30 G. Philip (University of Durham)
North of South: Inter-Regional Connections and Contrasts in EBA Syria-Palestine

12:00 M. D’Andrea (Sapienza University of Rome)
The Early Bronze IVB Pottery of Ebla: Stratigraphy, Chronology, Typology, and Style. Remarks from a Work-in-Progress

12:20 Lunch

Afternoon Session (Chair: Nicolò Marchetti)
Sapienza Università di Roma, Facoltà di Lettere e Filosofia, Aula I, Piazzale Aldo Moro 5

15:00 B. Foster (Yale University)
The Akkadian Adventure in Syria

15:30 L. Kogan (Russian State University for Humanities)
East Meets West: The Impact of Ebla on the East/West Semitic Lexical Dichtotomy

16:00 G. Chambon (Université de Lille)
Comparaison dans les notations des chiffres et des mesures à Ebla, au IIIe et au IIe millénaires

16:20 Coffee Break

17:00 A. McMahon (University of Cambridge)
Spinning and Weaving: The Textile Industry at Tell Brak in Light of the Evidence from Ebla

17:30 C. Castel (Maison de l’Orient Méditerranéen, Université de Lyon 2)
Urbanisme et urbanisation dans la Syrie du 3e millénaire

18:00 A. Vacca (Sapienza University of Rome)
“Ebla Wasn’t Built in a Day”...Reappraising the Formative Phases Preceding the State Archive Period at Tell Mardikh/Ebla

18:20 Discussion (Chair: Irene J. Winter)

TUESDAY 16th DECEMBER
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Morning Session (Chair: Stefania Mazzoni)

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Afternoon Session (Chair: Maria Giovanna Biga)

13:30 J.-M. Durand (Collège de France)
La documentation paléo-babylonienne d’Ebla et sa situation par rapport à la documentation syrienne

14:00 A.A. Burke (UCLA, University of California)
Ebla and the Identification of the Levantine Amorite Koiné

14:30 D. Nadali (Sapienza University of Rome)
Inward/Outward: A Re-Exam of the Four City-Gates at Ebla

14:50 Coffee Break

15:30 I.J. Winter (Harvard University)
The Value of the Vestigial: From Middle to Late Bronze in Ebla and Western Syria

16:00 M. Al-Maqdissi ( Chargé de Mission, DGAM Damas)
Mishrifeh-Qatna, quatre-vingt-dix ans de recherches archéologiques ‘1924-2014’

16:30 A. Polcaro (Università degli Studi di Perugia)
Urban Landscape and Funerary Ideology in Old Syrian Ebla: Analysis of the Tombs in Areas B and FF

16:50 Discussion (Chair: Walther Sallaberger)

WEDNESDAY 17th DECEMBER
Sapienza Università di Roma, Facoltà di Lettere e Filosofia, Aula I, Piazzale Aldo Moro 5

Morning Session (Chair: Luca Peyronel)

9:00 M. Feldman (Johns Hopkins University)
Tracing Northern Networks Among the Arts of Syria in the Middle and Late Bronze Ages

9:30 A. Otto (Ludwig-Maximilian Universität)
Basins in the Temples of Ebla and Upper Mesopotamia: An Essential Cult Requisite?

10:00 M. Al-Khalid (Sapienza University of Rome)
From Ebla to the East and Back to the South: Ceramic Horizons in the Transition Phases Between the MB I and MB II

10:20 Coffee Break

10:50 G. Schwartz (Johns Jopkins University)
The Value of the Vestigial: From Middle to Late Bronze in Ebla and Western Syria

11:20 S. Pizzimenti (Sapienza University of Rome)
Ebla in the Iron Age. New Evidences from the Acropolis Excavations. Remarks from a Work in Progress

11:40 M.G. Micale (Sapienza University of Rome)
Clay Figurines in the Persian Achaemenid Near East as seen from Tell Mardikh

12:00 Discussion (Chair: Pascal Butterlin)

12:30 Conclusions
P. Matthiae, Sapienza University of Rome, Director of the Archaeological Expedition at Ebla