Subterfuge and Deception in the Pre-Modern Mediterranean
The Winter 2016 Workshop

Organized by The Mediterranean Seminar and the Center for Middle Eastern Studies, Harvard University

March 3-5, 2016
at CMES, Room 102, 38 Kirkland St, Cambridge, MA

Program

MARCH 3: 4:00-6:00 pm (this portion of the workshop is open to the public)

What is Mediterranean Studies and Why?

• Brian A. Catlos (Religious Studies, CU Boulder) and Sharon Kinoshita (Literature, UC Santa Cruz), Co-directors, The Mediterranean Seminar

MARCH 4

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9:00-9:25 am Registration & Coffee

9:25-9:35 Welcome
William Granara (Harvard University)

9:35-9:45 Introduction
Sharon Kinoshita and Brian A. Catlos

9:45-11:00 Narratives of Deception and the Pre-Modern Mediterranean Imaginary
Argyro Nicolaou (Comparative Literature, Harvard University)
Moderator: Brian Catlos
11:00-11:15 Registrant introduction

11:15-11:25 Break

11:25-12:40 pm The Gibeonite Gambit: Harranians, Karaites, and Khaybari Jews on the Margins of Medieval Islamic Society
Fred Astren (Jewish Studies, San Francisco State University)
Moderator: Sharon Kinoshita

12:40-1:40 Lunch (provided for pre-registered participants only)
William James Hall, Room 401
33 Kirkland Street (across the street from CMES)

1:40-2:55 Masking Conflict with Harmony: The Two Faces of the KMMS Mediterranean Map
Karen Pinto (History, Boise State)
Moderator: William Granara

2:55-3:00 Break

3:00-4:00 Deception and Subterfuge: A Medieval Miller in Court
Featured scholar: Thomas F. Glick (History, Boston University)

4:00-4:45 General discussion and conclusions

MARCH 5

10:00 am-12:00 pm A round-table: Harvard on the Mediterranean: A Conversation with Graduate Students
Moderated by Brian Catlos & Sharon Kinoshita