



Seminar Overview

The purpose of this seminar is to examine the relationship of the city of Alexandria to the sea during the Ptolemaic and Roman periods. On Mondays, the Classical Archaeology Seminar will present the research of scholars and their teams working in and around Alexandria examining the city, its maritime façade, and connections across the sea beyond Egypt. In the Maritime Archaeology Seminar on Thursdays, a detailed range of studies on the underwater excavations and material culture from the *Portus Magnus* will be presented. These will enable a 'deep dive' into the work of the *Institut Européen d'Archéologie Sous-Marine* (IEASM) and its research partners in the University of Oxford and beyond. IEASM has been surveying and excavating in the port since 1996, with the support of the Hilti Foundation, and is currently in the final stages of a new major publication on its work.

The symposium thus aims to bring together scholars working on diverse aspects of the relationship between the great city of Alexandria and its connections with the maritime world via its *Portus Magnus*.

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Classical Archaeology Seminar (Monday, 5pm)

The meetings will be held on Zoom, to join:

<https://zoom.us/j/92289085742?pwd=dmVIUXNSNDA1VjMzY2pSSGF3TkwxZz09>

Meeting ID: 922 8908 5742

Passcode: 841506

Wk 1: 11th October 2021: **Jean-Philippe Goiran**

Geoarchaeology of the ancient harbours of Alexandria (Egypt): state of the art

Wk 2: 18th October 2021: **Franck Goddio**

The Iseum on the Royal Island of Antirrhodos in the Portus Magnus of Alexandria

Wk 3: 25th October 2021: **Kyriakos Savvopoulos**

Underwater finds from Akra Lochias and Shatby

Wk 4: 1st November 2021: **Ehab Fahmy**

Alexandria and its suburbs: the maritime cultural landscape

Wk 5: 8th November 2021: **Jean-Yves Carrez-Maratray**

From Alexandria to Canopus: some topographical and religious observations concerning the eastern Alexandrian shore

Wk 6: 15th November 2021: **Damian Robinson**

With Alexander Belov, Nesreen Elgaly, David Honore, Catherine Grataloup, Tina Roushannafas, and Patrice Sandrin

J3: a Roman working vessel from the Portus Magnus

Wk 7: 22nd November 2021: **Pascal Arnaud**

Ships, people, port-networks and seasons: keys for understanding the maritime sea-routes from and to Alexandria

Wk 8: 29th November 2021: **Robert Steven Bianchi**

Maritime Alexandria through the lens of Thonis-Heracleion

Maritime Archaeology Seminar (Thursday, 5pm)

The meetings will be held on Zoom, to join:

<https://zoom.us/j/91591095059?pwd=R2gyRkk1dkJ6aWUrUWcxTVdINDM3Zz09>

Meeting ID: 915 9109 5059

Passcode: 865850

Wk 1: 14th October 2021: **Antoine Guillain**

Portus Magnus: Approche méthodologique d'une fouille sous-marine

Wk 2: 21st October 2021: **Catherine Grataloup**

Ceramics from the Portus Magnus

Wk3: 28th October 2021: **Andrew Meadows and Thomas Faucher**

Coins from the Portus Magnus and terrestrial Alexandria

Wk4: 4th November 2021: No paper

Wk 5: 11th November 2021: **Susan Walker**

The emperor Caracalla's visit to Alexandria as seen from the harbour

Wk 6: 18th November 2021: **Alex Belov**

Alexandria as the centre of maritime innovations

Wk 7: 25th November 2021: **Christoph Gerigk**

Photography and the Portus Magnus

Wk 8: 2nd December 2021: **Franck Goddio**

An overview of the Portus Magnus of Alexandria

Please note that this presentation is being organised as a livestreamed lecture aimed at the public. To attend the lecture virtually: <https://livestream.com/oxuni>

The joining instructions for all the seminars are also available at:

<https://www.franckgoddio.org/index.php?id=241>

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