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PROGRAM (all times given in EDT)
FRIDAY NOVEMBER 5
1:00–1:30 PM: WELCOME AND INTRODUCTORY REMARKS
Seth Bernard & Sarah C. Murray, University of Toronto
1:30–2:30 PM: KEYNOTE LECTURE: CURSING THE CANDLE: ECONOMIC HISTORY & HUMAN NATURE
Ian Morris, Stanford University
PANEL I: MODELING & MORALITY
2:30–3:15 PM: QUANTIFICATION AND "COMMON SENSE": A RETROSPECTIVE ON MODELING ROMAN RELIGION
Federica Carugati, King's College London
Taco Terpstra, Northwestern University
SATURDAY NOVEMBER 6
PANEL II: MEASUREMENT & BEYOND
9:00–9:45 AM: STANDARDIZING STANDARDIZATION
Andrew Riggsby, University of Texas at Austin
9:45–10:30 AM: BEYOND GROWTH: IDENTIFYING AREAS OF PRODUCTIVE ENGAGEMENT BETWEEN ANCIENT HISTORY AND THE SOCIAL SCIENCES
Federica Carugati, King's College London
SATURDAY NOVEMBER 6 (CONTINUED)
PANEL III: TESTING THE LIMITS OF NIE
10:30–11:15 AM: ECONOMIC HISTORY BEYOND PERFORMANCE: PATRONAGE AND THE DISTRIBUTION OF WEALTH IN ROMAN SOCIETY
Lisa Ehrle, University of Tübingen
11:15 AM–12:00 PM: BEFORE THE ECONOMY?
Dimitri Nakassis, University of Colorado Boulder
12:00–12:15 PM: GENERAL Q&A
PANEL IV: BEYOND CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION
1:30–2:15 PM: A BOTTOM-UP VIEW OF FARMING COMMUNITIES
Kim Bowes, University of Pennsylvania
2:15–3:00 PM: THE ‘HEALTH PROBLEM’ IN ROMAN ECONOMIC HISTORY: A PROLEGOMENON
Astrid Van Oven, Cornell University
3:30–4:15 PM: WHY A HUMAN ANCIENT ECONOMY SHOULD BE POSTHUMAN
Ben Akridge, University of Toronto
4:15–5:00 PM: CLIMATES OF COMPARISON
Ben Akridge, University of Toronto
5:00–6:00 PM: GENERAL Q&A AND DISCUSSION