

International Conference

The Battle of Plataea 2.5K: Questions, Contexts, Echoes

The Center for Hellenic Studies, Harvard University

April 7th–9th, 2022

Event page: <https://chs.harvard.edu/event/battle-of-plataea/>

Thursday April 7th, 2022

8:30–9:20¹ Greetings and introduction: the questions of the battle of Plataea
Chair: Paul Cartledge; opening remarks: Natasha Bershadsky

9:30–11:45 **1st Session: The things of the battle: topography, archaeology, iconography**
Chair: Christopher Tuplin

9:30 J. Z. van Rookhuijzen: “The Topographical Quest for the Battlefield of Plataea”

10:00 Michael Charles: “Re-Visiting the Serpent Column: Weapons, Armies, and Significance”

10:30 Margaret Miller: “The Persian Armaments Through Greek Vases”

11:00–11:45 Panel discussion

12:30–14:15 **2nd Session: The words of the battle: Herodotus and others**
Chair: Hans Beck

12:30 Ian Oliver: “The Other Greeks: Toward Understanding the Plataea Narrative's Compositional Context(s)”

13:00 Natasha Bershadsky: “Herodotus on Staying and Fleeing at the Battle of Plataea”

13:30–14:15 Panel discussion

Friday April 8th, 2022

8:30–10:15 **3rd Session: A view from Sparta**
Chair: Paul Cartledge

8:30 Paul Christesen: “Amompharetos and the Unruly Sparta at Plataia”

9:00 Marcello Lupi: “The Spartan Army at Plataea. Demography and Tribal Order”

9:30–10:15 Panel discussion

¹ The schedule is in Eastern US Daylight Time.

10:30–12:15 4th Session: A view from Thebes

Chair: Yannis Kalliontzis

10:30 Hans Beck: “Thebes, Boiotia, and the Battle of Plataia. Perspectives from the Kadmeia”

11:00 Samuel Gartland: “Harmony on the Cadmea: Persians, Thebans, and the battle of Plataea”

11:30–12:15 Panel discussion

13:00–15:15 5th Session: A view from Persia

Chairs: Margaret Miller and Roel Konijnendijk

13:00 Christopher Tuplin: “Plataea: In Search of a Persian Dimension”

13:30 John Hyland: “The Command of Mardonius and Its Achaemenid Political Context”

14:00 Sean Manning: “Professionalism at Plataea”

14:30–15:15 Panel discussion

Saturday April 9th, 2022

8:30–10:45 6th Session: The fighting

Chairs: Adam Schwartz and Giannis Kadoglou

8:30 Fernando Echeverría Rey: “The Greeks at Plataea. Managing ‘Multinational’ Armies in the Classical Period”

9:00 Paul Bardunias: “The Clash of Shield-Walls at Plataia”

9:30 Roel Konijnendijk: “Herodotos on the fighting at Plataia”

10:00–10:45 Panel discussion

11:20–14:30 7th Session: The memories

Chair: Sonya Nevin

11:20 David Yates: “After Plataea: The Politics of Hegemony and the End of the Persian War”

11:50 Yannis Kalliontzis: “The Memory of the Battle of Plataea in Epigraphy”

12:20–12:40 Coffee break

12:40 Shane Wallace: “The Victory Monuments and Celebratory Rituals at Plataea from the 5th century BC to the 3rd century AD”

13:10 K. Scarlett Kingsley: “From Singularity to Recurrence: The Battle of Plataea and the Greek War of Independence in the Anglo-American Imaginary”

13:40–14:25 Panel discussion

14:30–15:00 Conclusion

Chair: Natasha Bershadsky