Program "Rural communities in a globalizing economy: new perspectives on the economic integration of Roman Italy" 28/29 November 2013, Royal Dutch Institute in Rome.

Thursday 28 November

10:00 Registration, coffee

11:00 – 11.30 Welcome and opening

11:30 Introductory keynote: prof. Peter Attema, University of Groningen

12:00 Lunch

13:30 Session 1: Developments in agriculture and their impact on the rural economy

13:30-14:00 keynote lecture: Dr. Alessandro Launaro (Cambridge University) - 'Something old, something new: social and economic developments in the countryside of Roman Italy between Republic and Empire'

14:00-14:30 Paper 1: Prof.ssa Gloria Olcese (Università La Sapienza, Roma) – Title to be announced

14:30-15:00 Paper 2: Dr. Kim Bowes (University of Pennsylvania) - 'Peasant Agriculture in Central Tuscany: Results from the Roman Peasant Project'

15:00-15:30 Coffee/tea

15:30-16:00 Paper 3: Dr. J. Kron (University of Victoria) – 'Hellenistic scientific agronomy, changes in urban demand, and the diversification and intensification of Italian agriculture'

16:00-16:30 Paper 4: Drs. Frits Heinrich & Prof. René Cappers (University of Groningen) – 'Archaeobotany and Agriculture in Roman Italy: An overview of current research and future directions'

16:30-17:00 Concluding discussion

19:30 Conference dinner

Friday 29 November

9:00 welcome, coffee

9:30 Session 2: The non-agricultural economy: crafts, industry and trade in the countryside

9:30-10:00 Keynote lecture: Prof. J. Theodore Peña (University of California, Berkeley) – 'Problems in the identification and interpretation of rural craft production in Roman Italy'

10:00-10:30 Paper 1: Dr. Gijs Tol (University of Groningen) – 'From surface find to consumption trend: a ceramic perspective on the connectivity of the Pontine Region (Lazio, Central Italy) in the Roman period'

10:30-11:00 Paper 2: Prof.ssa Sara Santoro (University of Chieti/Pescara) – 'Crafts and trade in minor settlements in North and Central Italy: reflections on an on-going research'

11:00-11:30 Coffee/tea

11:30-12:00 Paper 3: Dr. Emanuele Vaccaro (Cambridge University) – 'Italic sigillata production and trade in the countryside of central Italy: new data from the Excavating the Roman Peasant Project'

12:00-12:30 Paper 4: Prof. Michael Crawford (University College London) - 'Where were the coins we find actually used?

12:30-13:00 Concluding Discussion

13:00-14:00 Lunch

14:00 Session 3: Connecting rural communities

14:00-14:30 Keynote lecture: Dr. Rob Witcher (Durham University) – *'The peasants' progress? Community, connectivity, commodities & crisis'*

14:30-15:00 paper 1: Dr. Tymon de Haas (Groningen University) – 'Infrastructural developments and economic integration: geographical approaches'

15:00-15:30 paper 2: Prof. Patrick Monsieur, Dr. D. van Limbergen & Prof. F. Vermeulen (Ghent University/Leuven University/University of Pisa) – 'Wine, oil and amphora production in the rural economy of Potentia and the lower Potenza valley (200 BC-100AD): facts, theories and possibilities'

15:30-16:00 Coffee-tea

16:00-16:30 paper 3: Prof.ssa Marinella Pasquinucci & Dr. Simonetta Menchelli (University of Pisa) – 'Rural, urban and suburban communities and their economic interconnectivity in North coastal Etruria (2nd cent. BC-2nd cent. AD)'

16:30-17:00 paper 4: Prof. Paul Erdkamp (Free University of Brussels) – 'Division of labour in an urban and rural setting'

17:00-17:30 Concluding discussion

17:30-17:45 *Coffee/tea*

17:45-18:15 Concluding Keynote: Dr. Wim Jongman (Groningen University)

19:30 Conference dinner