

Provisional Programme

"Gender, family and property in legal theory and practice: the European perspective from 10th-20th century"

Dates: 21-23 September 2006

Venue: Institute of Mediterranean Studies (I.M.S.), Old Town, Rethymno, Crete, Greece

THURSDAY, 21 SEPTEMBER

11.00-12.00 Registration – Coffee

12.00-12.30 Welcoming addresses

12.30-13.15 Opening Lecture by Jacqueline Guiral- Hadziiosif *: title to be announced

13.15-13.30 Discussion

13.30-14.30 Buffet lunch on the premises

Session I Law and Custom – Theory and Practice

Chair: Professor Darlene Abreu-Ferreira

14.30-14.55 Maria Drakopoulou (University of Kent). Family, Property and the Politics of Sexual Difference in the Seventeenth Century Natural Law Philosophy

14.55-15.20 Jurgitta Kunsmanaite (Central European University, Budapest). Widows in Normative Law and Legal Practice

15.20-15.45 Eugenia Kermeli (Bilkent University Ankara). Marriage and Divorce for Christians and New Muslims in Crete, 1645-1670

15.45-16.10 Maria Tsikaloudaki (PhD in Modern History, Chania). Christian legators and heirs in Philippopoli before the Tanzimat reforms of 1856

16.10-16.30 Discussion

16.30-17.00 Coffee Break

Session II Dowry and Inheritance

Chair: Dr Kirsten Fenton

17.00-17.25 Anna Bellavitis (University of Paris 10-Nanterre). Heritage and Dowry in Venetian Law and Practice (13th-16th centuries)

17.25-17.50 Jutta Gisela Sperling (Hampshire College, Amherst, MA). Dowry or Inheritance? Women's Property Rights in Comparison: Lisbon, Venice, Florence(1572)

17.50-18.15 Ida Fazio (University of Palermo). Gender Relationships, Inheritance, and the Market: The Case of the Stromboli Island (Sicily, Italy, 19th Century)

18.15-18.40 Stefania Licini (University of Bergamo). Between law and social practises: top wealthy men and women's testamentary provisions in 19th century Italy.

18.40-19.00 Discussion

20.00 Evening meal (by the seaside?)

FRIDAY, 22 SEPTEMBER

Session III Women and Economic Power

Chair: Professor Jutta Sperling

9.30-9.55 Kirsten Fenton (University of Edinburgh). Noblewomen, property and power: the Jumièges evidence, 11th -12th centuries

9.55-10.20 Kostas Moustakas (University of Crete). Widows and the fisc: A comparison between late Byzantium and the early Ottoman Empire

10.20-10.45 Darlene Abreu-Ferreira (University of Winnipeg). Women and family property in early modern Portugal

10.45-11.10 Alexis Malliaris (Ionian University, Corfu). Cittadini families and rural families in Venetian Peloponnese (1685-1715): landownership, social and legal status, economic differentiation and behaviours in a new acquisition of Venice in the transition between the 17th and 18th century

11.10-11.30 Discussion

11.30-12.00 Coffee break

An interlude: Marriage Contracts and Gendered Property Rights

12.00-13.00 Teamwork headed by Aglaia Kasdagli (University of Crete). A database for marriage contracts in the Greek world, 1500-1830

13.00-13.15 Discussion

13.15-15.30 Lunch buffet on the premises. Free time

Session IV Ruptures: the effects of modernization – the effects of war

Chair : Dr Margareth Lanzinger

15.30-15.55 Hanne Marie Johansen (University of Bergen). Norwegian Widows after Clerical Servants in the 17th Century: The Year of Mercy and Inheritance

15.55-16.20 Tsvetana Boncheva (Bulgarian Academy of Sciences). Gender relationships and property among the Bulgarian Catholics in Plodviv region during the first half of the 20th century

16.20-16.45 Evdoxios Doxiadis (University of California, Berkeley). Women, property and the Greek War of Independence: Property transmission and conflict resolution during tumultuous times

16.45-17.10 Nicole Kramer (Institut für Zeitgeschichte, Munich). Fighting Couples – Divorces in National Socialist Society during the Second World War

17.10-17.30 Discussion

17.30-19.30 Optional guided tour of old town (conducted by Dr Alexis Malliaris and Dr. Antonis Anastasopoulos)

Evening meal has not been arranged yet.

SATURDAY, 23 SEPTEMBER

Session V Strategies of Heirship

Chair Dr Evgenia Kermeli

9.30-9.55 Margareth Lanzinger (University of Vienna). Remarriage: Competing property interests and property mixture – Tyrol and Vorarlberg in the 19th Century

9.55-10.20 Ikaros Mandouvalos (University of Athens). Familial structures and relationships in a bourgeois environment: Inter-gender roles and practices among the Greeks and Macedonian-Vlachs of Pest

10.20-10.45 Maria Spiliotopoulou (Research Centre of Athens Academy). Childless nuclear family versus family of origin in the Greek island of Santorini (17th-early 19th Century)

10.45-11.10 Domenico Rizzo (University of Naples). Beyond kinship: Inheriting from single men (19th-century Rome)

11.10-11.30 Discussion

11.30-12.00 Coffee Break

Session VI Conflict, exclusion and transgression

Chair: Dr Maria Drakopoulou

12.00-12.25 Grethe Jacobsen (The National Library of Denmark and Copenhagen University Library). Family property in Danish towns and magisterial ideology during the reformation period

12.25-12.50 Nina Koefoed (University of Aarhus). Gender and sexuality in law – sexual relations before marriage

12.50-13.15 Ellinor Forster & Margret Friedrich (University of Innsbruck). Gendered standards of dealing with property in discussion and legal practice: Social representations of “incompetence by mental incapacity” and “wasteful spending” in juridical and everyday discourse

13.15-13.40 Vasso Seirinidou (University of Athens). Punishment after death: Disinheritance and property elimination in the Greek merchant community of Vienna (18th-19th centuries)

13.40-14.00 Discussion

14.00-16.00 Free time for lunch, shopping etc.

16.00-16.45 Final Lecture by Amy Erickson (Cambridge Group for the History of Population and Social Structure). Skill as a gendered property asset in 18th-century London

16.45-.16.30 Discussion

16.30-17.00 Coffee Break

17.00-18.00 Round Table: The historical evolution of the themes examined and the comparative perspective

Co-ordinator: Professor Efi Avdela (University of Crete)

Discussants:

Eleni Sakellariou (University of Crete). The Medieval Perspective.

Anna Bellavitis. The Early Modern Perspective

Ida Fazio. The Modern Perspective

Antonis Anastasopoulos (University of Crete). The Comparative

Perspective

18.00-18.30 Planning of the next (V) conference of the European network ‘Gender differences in European legal cultures / Geschlechterdifferenz in europäischen Rechtskreisen’.

Co-ordinator: Dr Grethe Jacobsen

18.30-19.00 Conference proceedings-Concluding remarks-Farewell by Aglaia Kasdagli

Updates of the programme and the conference in general may be found at

<http://www.history-archaeology.uoc.gr/>

<http://www.ims.forth.gr>

and at

https://www.unigiessen.de/cms/fbz/fb04/institute/geschichte/fruehe_neuzeit/genderdifference