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AUTUMN LECTURES 2012

TRADE, PILGRIMAGE & COLONISATION THE IMPERIAL ROADS OF THE MIDDLE EAST

LECTURE

Tuesday November 20

19.00

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Visiting Scholar at SRII, Autumn 2012

Vikings in the East and Byzantium

Fedir Androshchuk, was trained in history and archaeology at the Taras Shevchenko Kiev University, where he defended his doctoral dissertation in 1998 on contacts of the Chernihiv region in Ukraine with Byzantium and Scandinavia during the Viking period. Issues of Byzantine influence on cloth style, city life, court ceremonies, town planning and defense are central in his research. During the past decade, he has studied military aspects and cultural contacts in the early towns of Scandinavia and Rus', and lately also contacts between Byzantium and the Viking world. Dr Androshchuk is the author of "The Northmen and Slavs in the Desna River Area: Models of Cultural Interaction in the Period of the Early Middle Ages" (Kiev 1999; in Ukrainian); "Scandinavian Antiquities of Southern Rus' - A Catalogue" (Paris, 2012; in Russian) and forthcoming Vikings in the East: Essays on Contacts along the Road to Byzantium A.D. 900-1100 (Uppsala, 2012) and Swords and Social Aspects of Weaponry in Viking Age Societies (Stockholm, 2012).

Currently, Fedir Androshchuk is working on the project "The Road to Byzantium: Contacts between the Mediterranean Region and Scandinavia A.D. 900-1100 on the basis of Archaeological Sources".

Refreshments are served after the lecture