

**White Gold: Revealing the World's Earliest Coins**  
International Congress  
Monday June 25–Tuesday June 26, 2012  
Israel Museum, Jerusalem

**Monday, June 25**

- 8:30            Transportation from the Hotel to the Museum  
8:45            Registration at main entrance to Museum

Dorot Auditorium

**Session 1            Chairperson: Thomas Kaplan**

- 9:15            Opening remarks  
Catharine Lorber – Fellow American Numismatic Society  
and Haim Gitler – The Israel Museum, Jerusalem
- 9:30            Michael Kerschner – Austrian Archaeological Institute, Vienna and Koray Konuk –  
Institut Ausonius, CNRS - Université de Bordeaux  
*The chronology of the electrum coins found in the Artemision of Ephesus:  
The contribution of the archaeological find context*
- 10:15          Jack Kroll – Oxford University  
*On the Ephesus Inscription*
- 10:50          Bob Wallace – Northwestern University  
*Revising the dates of Croesus*
- 11:25          Coffee break

**Session 2            Chairperson: Lorne Thyssen-Bornemisza**

- 11:50          Bernhard Weisser – Münzkabinett, Staatliche Museen zu Berlin - Stiftung  
Preussischer Kulturbesitz  
*An electrum hecete from the Sanctuary of Aphrodite outside the gates of Miletus and  
the striated coins*
- 12:25          Koray Konuk – Institut Ausonius, CNRS - Université de Bordeaux  
*Punchmarking electrum: A hoard of Lydian lion-head coins*  
Koray Konuk and Jamie Knapp – Independent Scholar  
*An Electrum Croeseid*
- 13:00          Lunch at Mansfeld Café
- 14:10          White Gold Exhibition tour with Curator Haim Gitler

**Session 3**      **Chairperson: Oren Tal– Tel Aviv University**

- 15:30      Wolfgang Fischer-Bossert – Fellow American Numismatic Society  
*Some thoughts about the internal spread of the early electrum standards: local rather than chronological patterns?*
- 16:05      Jack Kroll – Oxford University  
*“Don’t forget the dynastai”*
- 16:40      Peter van Alfen – American Numismatic Society  
*Public benefactor or profiteer? The role of “the state” and early electrum coinage*
- 17:15      Coffee break

**Session 4**      **Chairperson: Alla Kushnir-Stein – Tel Aviv University**

- 17:35      Frédérique Duyrat – Bibliothèque nationale de France and Maryse Blet-Lemarquand  
**CNRS – University of Orléans**  
*Elemental analysis of the Lydo-Milesian electrum coins of the Bibliothèque nationale de France using LA-ICP-MS: first results*
- 18:10      Nick Cahill – University of Wisconsin-Madison and Sardis Expedition, Harvard, Jill Hari – Independent Scholar and Baird Fellow, Harvard Art Museums, Bülent Önay – Dept. of Metallurgical and Materials Engineering, Dokuz Eylül University, Buca-Izmir, and Esra Documacı – Dept. of Metallurgical and Materials Engineering, Dokuz Eylül University, Buca-Izmir  
*Preliminary Analysis of Electrum Coins and Natural Gold from Sardis*
- 18:45      Concluding remarks for the first day
- 19:30      Transportation from the Museum to Dinner venue  
*Chakra Restaurant*  
<http://www.chakra-rest.com/AboutEng.aspx>

**Tuesday, June 26**

- 8:30      Transportation from Hotel to the Museum

**Session 1**      **Chairperson: David Schaps – Bar-Ilan University**

- 9:00      Ute Wartenberg Kagan – American Numismatic Society  
*Was there an Ionian Revolt Coinage? Hoard Evidence for electrum coins after the introduction of bimetalism*
- 9:35      Mariusz Mielczarek – Nicolaus Copernicus University, Torun  
*Cyzicene electrum coinage and the Black Sea grain trade*
- 10:10      François de Callatay – Bibliothèque royale de Belgique  
*Iconography of Cyzicene electrum coinage (with quantitative study)*
- 10:45      Coffee break

**Session 2**      **Chairperson: Donald Ariel – Israel Antiquities Authority**

- 11:05      Katerini Liampi – University of Ioannina  
*Thraco-Macedonian electrum coinage*
- 11:40      Ken Sheedy – Australian Centre for Ancient Numismatic Studies, Macquarie University  
*The electrum coinage of Athens*
- 12:15      Selene Psoma – University of Athens  
*Electrum in inscriptions and literary sources*
- 12:50      Lunch at Modern Restaurant  
Greetings: James Snyder, Director of the Israel Museum

**Session 3**      **Chairperson: Yuval Goren – Tel Aviv University**

- 14:00      Alain Bresson – University of Chicago  
*Metrology of silver ingots in the Levant and silver coins in Western Asia Minor — economic implications, implications for price of electrum coins*
- 14:35      François Velde – Banque de France / Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago  
*Electrum coinage in the light of monetary economic theory*
- 15:10      Closing remarks – Koray Konuk and Michael Kerschner
- 15:50      Leave to Cardo
- 16:00      Coffee stop (at Cardo)—with drink vouchers x 20
- 16:15      Gallery Tour—Highlights of the Israel Museum including the Permanent Coin Gallery with Haim
- 18:00      Reception for the opening of the exhibition, Upper Mansfeld Cafe
- 18:30      Ceremonial Opening for White Gold Exhibition, Springer Auditorium  
  
Program: James Snyder, Director of the Israel Museum; Thomas Kaplan; Lorne Thyssen-Bornemisza; Haim Gitler  
  
General lecture for the public: François de Callataÿ  
Greek White Gold Coins: An Enigmatic Start That Shaped the World
- 20:15      Transportation to Hotel - Free night

**Wednesday, June 27**

Masada and the Dead Sea, Tour guide: Guy Stiebel, Hebrew University

<http://huji.academia.edu/GuyStiebel>    <http://archaeology.huji.ac.il/depart/classical/guys/guys.asp>

Free night

**Thursday, June 28**

The Old City of Jerusalem (Half day or Full day optional), Tour guide: Hana Bendcowsky