

CALL FOR PAPERS

12TH ANNUAL COPTIC STUDIES SYMPOSIUM

OTTAWA, 19-22 JUNE 2019

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Dear Colleagues and Friends,

It is my pleasure to invite you to participate in the 12th Annual Coptic Studies Symposium of the Canadian Society for Coptic Studies (CSCS), which this year will be held jointly with the 19ème Journée d'études de l'Association Francophone de Coptologie (AFC) **on 19-22 June 2019 in Ottawa**. It is the first time that the Journée d'études will be organised outside of Europe, and on Canadian soil.

The programme consists of a graduate student roundtable and an opening key-note address by **Mariz Tadros (University of Sussex) on Wednesday (19 June)** at Carleton University, followed by two days of talks at Saint Paul University (Thursday-Friday, 20-21 June), including a visit to the Coptic Museum of Canada's exhibit 'Coptic Icons in a New Light, Narrative Series, 2011-2017, by Victor Asaad Fakhoury', and one morning at the University of Ottawa (Saturday, 22 June). The conference will be wrapped up on Saturday afternoon with a visit to one of the Coptic churches in Ottawa including a guided tour of the church and a performance of Church music.

Although there is a good variety of hotels available in downtown Ottawa, we advise you to reserve a suite or room at the [Residence of Saint Paul University](#). The Residence is located, in a relaxing and pleasant atmosphere, on campus right next to the building where the largest part of the conference will take place (the full days of lectures on Thursday and Friday, 20-21 June). Moreover, it is within walking distance of the University of Ottawa, where the lectures on Saturday morning (22 June) will be held. The suites consist of two separate rooms, each with desk, dresser and oversized double bed, a kitchenette with fridge, microwave and seating area, and a washroom with guest amenities; high-speed internet is provided in all rooms. The cost of a suite is **\$120**. However, since the rooms within each suite are completely separate (follow the hyperlink above for a virtual tour or see the attached ground plan), it is possible to share the suite with someone else and only pay **\$60** per person. To reserve a room, please indicate your preference for a suite (containing two rooms) or for a room within a suite (in which case the

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other room within the suite may be occupied by another conference attendee) when handing in your title and abstract at the deadline indicated below.

We invite you to send us a proposed title and abstract (of no more than 300 words), on any subject within, or closely related to, Coptic studies, **before 15 November 2018**. Given the mandate of the AFC, papers are preferably presented in French. However, if presenters feel more comfortable speaking in English they are welcome as well. French papers will be published in the AFC's well-known monograph series 'Études coptes', those in English in the *Journal of the Canadian Society for Coptic Studies*.

We look forward to welcoming many of you here in Ottawa during this unique event in June 2019!

On behalf of the organisers,
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