

Historisches Seminar Alte Geschichte

In Zusammenarbeit mit: ZAZH – Zentrum Altertumswissenschaften Zürich

Einladung zu einem Gastvortrag

## Jesse James, PhD, JD (Harvard Law School)

## The Laws of All the Greeks: International Law as Social Reality

In his talk, Dr Jesse James will present portions of the book he is currently writing on the history of ancient Greek international law. The book aims to explain why Greeks used international law and why it was often effective, drawing insights from phenomena studied by contemporary social psychologists and legal sociologists. Dr James focuses on the role of group identities that extended beyond the political boundaries of Greek cities. He argues that these identities had a tendency to promote cooperation, trust, and adherence to laws among Greeks within their respective social groups. The argument will be illustrated with examples from private international law, which primarily addressed the international trade that drove the ancient Greek economy.

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Dozierende, Studierende und weitere Interessierte sind herzlich eingeladen.

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