**Rethinking change in the ancient Aegean**

1. **Forms of change**
* According to fields (economic, social, political, cultural, religious)
* According to source (internal - external - entangled)
* According to intention (planned - unplanned – unintended - fortuitous)
* According to outcome (structural - conjunctural - failed)
* According to perception (manifest - latent - retrospective)
1. **Periodisation**
* Is the traditional periodisation (archaic, classical, Hellenistic, Roman) still useful?
* Does it work for all forms of historical change or better for some?
* Did all forms of change move in the same direction within each period?
* Are there alternative periodisations we should explore?
1. **Narratives**
* The rise of the polis
* The democratization of Greek societies and cultures
* The hoplite revolution
* The emergence of slave societies
* The crisis of the late classical and Hellenistic polis
1. **Models of change**
* Biological models (birth, rise and fall)
* Cyclical processes (e.g. intensification and abatement)
* Conjunctures and crises
* Long-term processes
* Catastrophes
* Transitions
* Homeostasis
1. **Agency**
2. **Space**