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A Wednesday Brown Bag Lunch Series
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*Emperor Heraclius and Prophet Muhammad:
A Case of Historiographical Mimicry?*

Seventh century Western Asia witnessed historical processes gradually coalescing into watershed events in world history: while the two major international players at the scene, the Sasanian Empire (224-651) in Iran and the Eastern Roman (330?-1453) Empire, were depleting themselves in the “greatest war of late antiquity” (603-628), the Prophet Muhammad (570-632) is said to have been in the midst of a rising prophetic career in the Arabian Peninsula. Curiosity: the incredible synchrony of the chronology of significant events in the life of the Prophet of Islam with that of the career of the Byzantine Emperor, Heraclius (575-641)! In the forthcoming lecture, I will attempt to discuss and explain this biographical synchrony.



All Faculty Welcome

You are welcome to bring your lunch.

