

## Einladung zum Gastvortrag

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### The Battle of Aigospotamoi (405 BCE) – a Classical and Byzantine quest

The Battle of Aigospotamoi (405 BCE) was the final and decisive battle of the Peloponnesian War. An amphibious engagement, it was fought and won by the Spartans in the narrow confines of the Hellespont (Dardanelles) and on a long strand on the Gallipoli Peninsula. The exact location of the site of the battle, crucial to our interpretation of the ancient sources, remains heavily contested by scholars.

The lecture utilizes both Classical and Byzantine sources and draws on topographical studies and field visits to help locate the site of the battle and will advance a bold new theory that will challenge our knowledge of the historical geography of the Hellespontine region. The lecture has contemporary relevance as the purpose of the Spartan campaign that led to the disastrous Athenian defeat was the interdiction of the corn-supply to the city of Athens from the Black Sea region, i.e. from the plains of modern Ukraine and Southern Russia.

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UZA I (Alte WU), Block A, Seminarraum, Augasse 2-6, 1090 Wien

Zeit: Montag, 28. März 2022, 18:00 Uhr

Anschließend wird zu einem Glas Wein gebeten! Gäste sind herzlich willkommen!  
Bitte beachten Sie die aktuell geltenden Corona-Regeln!