

Foreword by the Editors

The present volume offers a collection of papers held at an online workshop in March 2022, which served at the same time as 1st Milestone Workshop of the project »The Transformation of the Pergamon Micro-Region between the Hellenistic and the Roman Imperial Period« (TransPergMicro). This interdisciplinary endeavor is scheduled for a maximum of twelve years (see the introductory article in this volume), and according to its structure and timeline, there are at least two further milestone workshops to come. Hence as the principal investigators of the project we are very grateful that the present volume was accepted for the new series »Tagungen und Kongresse« of the German Archaeological Institute (DAI), which offers the ideal format for a swift and efficient publication, combining open access with a printed edition. One of the objectives of the series »Tagungen und Kongresse« is to provide a publishing medium for »Tagungskonzepte mit einem Arbeits- und Thesencharakter« and to promote at the same time the discourse on methodological questions or theoretical approaches¹. As laid out in the introductory article of this volume, this is exactly what we intend to achieve with the present publication. In this respect, form and content build a hopefully fruitful synergy.

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¹ <https://publications.dainst.org/books/dai/catalog/series/tuk> (accessed 12.03.2024).