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Coinage of the Bosporan Kingdom in the works of Francois de Callatay

A purpose of this report is to analyze a personal contribution of numismatist Francois de Callatay in the scientific investigation of coinage of the Bosporan Kingdom in French historiography.

Francois de Callatay is a well-known bilingual historian specialist of Greek coinages and finances with special interest for Hellenistic royal coinages, professor at

the *École pratique des hautes études* (Paris/Sorbonne) and since 2006, Head of Department at Royal Library of Belgium.

Scientific works of Francois de Callatay are inextricably connected with modern tendencies of scientific progress. According to newest concepts F. de Callatay is working in a direction of «contextual numismatics» - "as the most recent and innovative research direction in the field of numismatics" that is, "a historical overview of the gradual development of an archaeological-oriented approach to numismatic material," as noted in the interdisciplinary journal "Heritage science" (Krmnicek, 2023).

A multidisciplinary approach in scientific publications on numismatics of Francois de Callatay comprises information from various sources: economy, epigraphy, history, art, papers on numismatics, including numismatic quantification and archaeology.

Another contemporary feature in works of Francois de Callatay is his deep integration in worldworth global scientific cooperation. Most of his latest scientific articles, dedicated to coinage of the Northern Pontic were written in teams with other scientists from different countries and even of different specializations.

His most significant publications for the study of coinage of the Bosporan Kingdom with particular interest in the connection between monetary strikes and military objectives are "War and coinage in the Hellenistic period. Essay with appendices on the coinage of Mithridates VI Eupator", "History of the Mithridates wars through the history of coins", "The influence of the monetary policy of absorption of Rome on the Black Sea region", "The first royal coins of Pontus (from Mithridates III to Mithridates V").

Francois de Callatay is one of the most cited scientists, specialists in the monetary affairs of the Black Sea region. The scientific works of other scientists contain reasoned conclusions in numismatics of Francois de Callatay to prove results of their allegations. For example, a greek scientist Andreas Petratos with his colleagues in a book "Art used for Political Propaganda: The Case of Mithridates" claims that "Pontic coins were one of the main tools by which kings" played "their political propaganda game," using Callatay's numismatics publications (Petratos, Charisopoulou, Chatzikonstantinou, 2014).

The virtual world means a quick exchange of information and views on controversial issues between contemporaries and predecessors. Historiography of the past remains one of the most important sources. Francois de Callatay in his works often refers to authors of the past, especially the Danish numismatist Otto Morkholm and also antiquarianism during 16th – 18th centuries. It should be noted that F. de Callatay is the author of important studies of coinage and finance in the ancient Mediterranean world of the Hellenistic period. One of the priority areas of research of this scientist are complex and controversial issues of money circulation and minting of Pontus. He takes up the most complicated and contentious issues of coinage, for example, the times of Mithridates VI Eupator.

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Єлизавета САРОСІЯН

ЕЛЕКТРОВІ ТА ЗОЛОТІ АНТИЧНІ МОНЕТИ НА КІРОВОГРАДЩИНІ ELECTRUM AND GOLD ANTIQUE COINS IN KIROVOGRAD REGION

На території сучасної Кіровоградщини зустрічається значна кількість античних монет, особливе місце серед яких посідають монети, виготовлені з електри та золота. Дані монети відігравали важливу роль в чорноморських та середземноморських торгових операціях. Знахідки електрих та золотих монет на території Кіровоградської області говорить про те, що місцеве населення мало безпосередній зв'язок з мешканцями Причорномор'я. Цей регіон знаходиться на межі Степу і Лісостепу, де в добу раннього заліза мешкали представники різних етнічних груп.

Проблеми знахідок золотих та електрих монет та території Кіровоградщини розкривається у працях М. Мієльчарека (Mielczarek, 1989), В. Орлика (Орлик, 2020 а; Орлик, 2020b; Орлик, 2021a; Орлик, 2021b; Орлик, 2022a; Орлик, 2022b), О. Сальникова (Сальников, 1959), С. Скорого та