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Vincent DROST (Bibliothèque nationale de France)

The Tetrarchs and their coins. Some new case studies in a major historical source

Struck in large quantities and widely distributed, coins were a key medium for imperial ideology. Through various case studies, this talk aims at presenting the contribution of numismatics to our knowledge of the political history of the Tetrarchic era (late 3rd-early 4th century AD).

The rich monetary iconography bears witness to the changing aspirations of the co-rulers and to the evolving hierarchy within the imperial college. The in-depth study of coin issues sheds light on the progressive disintegration of tetrarchic unity up to Constantine's final victory.