"Law and Society: Adaptations and Influences of Roman Law in Byzantium and the Medieval West" was the subject of the Byzantine Colloquium held February 8-9, 1985, under the direction of Robert Benson (UCLA) and Angeliki Laiou (Harvard University and Dumbarton Oaks). The program was as follows:

Dieter Simon: The Byzantine Legal System in the Thirteenth Century.

Peter Weimar: The Literature of Roman Law, Twelfth-Thirteenth Centuries: The Issue of Revival and Recapture.

Robert Benson: Lex Regia: The Roman People and the Authority of the Emperor.

Milton Anastos: The Coronation of Michael IV by the Empress Zoe in 1034: Its Significance for the Relation of Church and State in Byzantium.

André Gouron: Slavery and Roman Law in the Twelfth and Thirteenth Centuries.

Stephan Kuttner: Reflections on Recent Studies of Roman Jurisprudence (Twelfth and Thirteenth Centuries).

Nicolas Oikonomides: Byzantine Law and Its Application to Everyday Life.

Angeliki Laiou: Public Authority and Family Law in the Byzantine Empire.

Julius Kirschner: Roman Law, Marriage and Property in Medieval Italy (Late Thirteenth-Fourteenth Centuries).

"Byzantium and the Barbarians in Late Antiquity" was the subject of the Byzantine Symposium held May 3-5, 1985, under the direction of Evangelos Chrysos. The program was as follows:

Walter Goffart, University of Toronto: The Theme of "The Barbarian Invasions" in Late Antique and Modern Historiography.

François Paschoud, University of Geneva: Zosimus, Eunapius, and Olympiodorus on the Barbarian Invasions.

Friedhelm Winkelmann, Academy of Sciences, GDR: How Non-Byzantine Ethnic Groups Were Evaluated in Christian Literature from the Eastern Half of the Roman Empire.

Evangelos Chrysos, University of Ioannina, Greece: The Foedus as an Instrument of Policy, Legal Concepts, and Patterns in the Barbarians' Settlement on Roman Soil.

Herwig Wolfram, University of Vienna, Austria: Byzantium and the Xantha Ethnē (A.D. 400-500): A Study in Constitutional History.

Dietrich Claude, University of Marburg, FRG: Imperial Legitimization of Barbarian Rulers by the Creation of Family Ties.

Telemachos Lounghis, National Research Foundation, Athens, Greece: Ambassadors, Embassies, and Administrative Changes in the Eastern Empire prior to the Reconquista.

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Alan Cameron, Columbia University: Anti-Germanism in the Early Fifth Century.

Alexander Demandt, Free University of Berlin, FRG: The Osmosis of the Byzantine and the Barbarian Aristocracies.

Georg Scheibelreiter, University of Vienna, Austria: Vester est populus meus. Byzantine Imperial Ideology and Germanic Self-Awareness.

Dietrich Claude: The Eastern Roman Empire's Overseas Trade with the Mediterranean Countries.

Frank Clover, University of Wisconsin, Madison: Vandals and Romans in Africa.

Michael Hendy, University of Birmingham, England: The Barbarian Coinages as a Mirror of the Disintegration of Late Roman Structures.

Michael McCormick, Johns Hopkins University and Dumbarton Oaks: Public Ritual, Byzantium and the Barbarians.

Landscape Architecture Studies

Wilhelmina Jashemski organized and directed a symposium on "Ancient Roman Villa Gardens," held May 11–12, 1984. The program was as follows:

A. R. Littlewood, University of Western Ontario: Ancient Literary. Evidence for the Pleasure Gardens of Roman Country Villas.

Wilhelmina Jashemski, Dumbarton Oaks: Recently Excavated Gardens and Cultivated Land of the Villas at Boscoreale and Oplontis.

Stefano De Caro, Director of Excavations at Pompeii: Sculpture Found at the Villa at Oplontis.