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THE 2009 BURKHART PRIZE

Selection Committee:

- André VAUCHEZ, Président de l'Académie
- Pierre-Sylvain FILLIOZAT
- Jean LECLANT, Secrétaire perpétuel
- Paul BERNARD
- Jean-Marie DENTZER
- André LARONDE,
- Christain ROBIN
- Nicolas GRIMAL,
- Franciscus VERELLEN, Director of the French School of Asian Studies (École française d'Extrême-Orient, or EFEO)
- Olivier Picard, corresponding member
- Jean-Paul Morel, corresponding member
- André Guilaine, corresponding member

André VAUCHEZ, as chairman, opened the committee meeting. Two main proposals were examined.

Mr JARRIGE proposed to award the prize to Prof. François Barratte (Sorbonne), director of the Franco-Tunisian excavations in Haïdra-*Ammaedara*, Tunisia, a site today considered as a first priority in the frame of the policy protecting Tunisian archaeological heritage. President André Vauchez supported this proposal.

In the name of Prof. GRIMAL, prevented from coming, the Secrétaire perpétuel Jean LECLANT proposed to award the prize to Mr. Philippe Brissaud, director of the French excavations at the site of Tanis in Egypt; he mentioned the many results of the years 2005-2008 and emphasized a new project of excavation in the *temenos* of Mut for the years 2009-2012, an undertaking offering particularly interesting prospects for a better understanding of the complex history of this site.

After general discussion, the members of the commission of the BURKHART prize unanimously decided to award the prize to Mr. Philippe Brissaud to help scientific research on the field and subsidize the publication of the results of his excavations.

2009 Prize Winner:

Mr. Philippe BRISSAUD

- ♦ Born in 1947
- ♦ Research engineer at the Ecole Pratique des Hautes Etudes

- ♦ Director of the French Mission excavation of Tanis (1985)
- ♦ President of the French Society of excavation of Tanis (1988)

For further information:: <http://www2.ephe.sorbonne.fr/enseignants/5Brissaud.htm>
and <http://monsite.wanadoo.fr/fouillesdetanis/>