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## Preface

This volume stems from the panel 'Mass, Elite, and the Order of the Polis in Archaic Greece' organized in June 2014 by the editors as part of the Celtic Conference in Classics held at the University of Edinburgh. It was a very successful panel, in which links and common interests among the participants sparked important discussion about Archaic Greece. Two originally planned papers by Olivier Mariaud on the social history of the Ionian cities and by Adam Rabinowitz on the late-Archaic symposium could unfortunately not be included in the publication due to other commitments. As well as papers delivered during the course of that panel, the volume features additional papers gathered through wider dialogue with other conference participants (David M. Lewis, Sara Zanollo) who joined in the discussion, and additional commissioned papers (Lars Hübner, Sebastian Scharff, Peter Zeller). The resulting collection of scholars is remarkably international, and the volume attempts, through a focused exploration of specific issues, to bring together developments in scholarly traditions (British, French, German, Italian) that have not always succeeded in creating a meaningful dialogue about the history of Archaic Greece. Due to the addition of new contributions, a different focus than that of the conference seemed appropriate for the structuring of the volume and led to the present title 'From Homer to Solon. Continuity and Change in Archaic Greece'. In conclusion, there remains only the pleasant duty of thanking various people: Anton Powell, who unfortunately passed away in the meantime and will be sorely missed by all researchers on Archaic Greece; Douglas Cairns for accepting our original proposal and including our panel in the programme of the Celtic Conference in Classics; Alice Rae for her invaluable help in preparing the manuscript and for editing the language of several papers; the anonymous reviewers, who provided most valuable advice on how best to finalise the manuscript; Alberto Esu for preparing the indices; and, above all, the participants in the conference and the contributors to this volume for their patience throughout the publication process. Finally, we want to thank Christian Mann—it was thanks to him that the editors of this volume first met, now almost a decade ago, and started discussing all things Greek (and Archaic in particular), and this volume, like the conference from which it originates, is the product of an ongoing dialogue that started in Mannheim under his tutelage.

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