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Second section of the conference on river worlds on
November 12, 2026 in the German Archaeological Institute in Cairo

Monday, November 9

9:00	Introduction & Welcome	14:00	Lukas Egger (Münster) The relationship between sacral entities and mountains in ancient Egypt
9:15	Oliver Pilz (DAI Athens) Artemis on Mount Lapithos: the Sanctuary at Kombothekra within its physical and political landscapes	14:45	Axel Frejman (Utrecht) When halfway there is the destination. Sanctuaries in mountain passes as places of community
10:00	Cynthia Marti (Marburg) The Sanctuary of Heracles on Mount Oiti. A staging of religious atmosphere	15:30	Coffeebreak
10:45	Coffeebreak	15:45	Sabine Huy (Münster) Mountains in Motion. Ash-hills as agents of belonging
11:00	Sophia Nomicos (Münster) A sacred landscape? The religious topography of Mount Taygetos	16:30	Achim Lichtenberger (Münster) Revisiting the Olympoi of the Peloponnese
11:45	Alexis Belis (New York) Zeus Kasios: Mountain God or God of the Mountain?	17:15	Closing remarks
12:30	Lunchbreak		