



## 26<sup>th</sup> Neolithic Seminar

### Eurasian Neolithics: How Cultures and Societies Evolve and Why it Matters

Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> to Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2023

Department of Archaeology, Faculty of Arts, University of Ljubljana

The conference will be held in the conference hall in the City Museum of Ljubljana

### Programme

#### Thursday, 9<sup>th</sup> November

Morning session 9.00 - 12.00

#### Conference Opening and Words of Greeting

##### Mihael Budja

Department of Archaeology, Faculty of Arts, University of Ljubljana, Slovenia

#### Introduction to the Conference

##### Mehmet Özdoğan

Istanbul University, Istanbul, Turkey

#### Reassessing the Dispersal of Neolithic Way of Living or Social and Cultural Patterns in Change. What Matters?

##### Necmi Karul

Department of Archaeology, Faculty of Letters, Istanbul University, Istanbul, Turkey

#### Special Buildings in the Context of the Construction of the Neolithic Societies

##### Detlef Gronenborn

Leibniz Zentrum für Archäologie, Mainz, Germany

#### Understanding Neolithic Dynamics and What it Means for Us Today

##### Eszter Bánffy<sup>1</sup> and Alasdair Whittle<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Romano-Germanic Commission, German Archaeological Institute, Frankfurt, Germany; <sup>2</sup>School of History, Archaeology and Religion, Cardiff University, United Kingdom

#### Steps Along the Road: Successes, Delays and Failures in Processes of Neolithisation

*lunch break 12.00 - 13.00*

Afternoon session 13.00 - 18.00

**Marek Nowak**

*Institute of Archaeology, Jagiellonian University, Krakow, Poland*

**From the Archaeological site of Miechów to Central Europe During the Neolithic. Different Scales of the Prehistoric Narrative**

**Pere Gelibert**

*Department of Evolutionary Anthropology, University of Vienna, Wien, Austria*

**Social Genomics for Understanding Neolithic Social Structures**

**Alasdair Whittle**

*School of History, Archaeology and Religion, Cardiff University, United Kingdom*

**On the Nature and Tempo of Social Change: Three Studies from the Neolithic of Britain and Ireland**

**Çiler Çilingiroğlu**

*Department of Archaeology, Faculty of Letters, Ege University Izmir, Turkey*

**Social Stratification of PPN Communities in SE Anatolia**

*coffee & tea break 15.00 - 15.30*

**Lee Clare**

*German Archaeological Institute, Istanbul Department, Istanbul, Turkey*

**Upper Mesopotamia in the Early Holocene: Establishing an Absolute Chronology for the Taş Tepeler (Sanliurfa, SE-Turkey) and Investigating the Hunter-Gatherer-Crisis (HGC)**

**Eylem Özdoğan**

*Department of Archaeology, Faculty of Letters, İstanbul University, İstanbul, Turkey*

**The Neolithic Narrative from the Perspectives of the "Sayburç Reliefs"**

**Dušan Boric<sup>1,2,3</sup>, Alessia Nava<sup>7</sup>, Beatrice Peripoli<sup>1</sup>, Theron Douglas Price<sup>5</sup>, Luca Bondioli<sup>4</sup>, Wolfgang Müller<sup>6</sup>**

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**Mesolithic and Neolithic Mobility Patterns in the Balkans Revealed Via Time-Resolved Records in Teeth**

**Dushka Urem-Kotsou<sup>1</sup>, Apostolos Sarris<sup>2</sup>, Nikos Papadopoulos<sup>3</sup>, Konstantinos Vouvalidis<sup>4</sup>, Yannis Maniatis<sup>5</sup>, Chrissa Karadima<sup>6</sup>, Maria Chrysafi<sup>7</sup>, Dimitris Matsas<sup>6</sup>, Anna Mousioni<sup>6</sup>, Matheos Koutsoumanis<sup>6</sup>, Stavros Kotsos<sup>8</sup>, Despoina Skoulariki<sup>7</sup>, Kyriakos Sgouropoulos<sup>9</sup>, Periklis Chrysafakoglou<sup>9</sup>, Dimitris Oikonomou<sup>3</sup>, Sofia Doani<sup>4</sup>, Ioannis Chronis<sup>4</sup> and Georgios Polymeris<sup>5</sup>**  
*<sup>1</sup>Democritus University of Thrace, <sup>2</sup>University of Cyprus, <sup>3</sup>Foundation for Research and Technology, <sup>4</sup>Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, <sup>5</sup>NCSR "Demokritos", <sup>6</sup>Ephorate of Antiquities of Rhodope, <sup>7</sup>Ephorate of Antiquities of Xanthe, <sup>8</sup>Ephorate of Antiquities of Thessaloniki City, <sup>9</sup>Democritus University of Thrace*

**Early Farmers in Aegean Thrace**

*conference dinner banquet at place 18.00*

## Friday, 10<sup>th</sup> November

Morning session 9.00 - 13.00

### Goce Naumov

*Center for Prehistoric Research, Museum of Macedonia, Skopje, Republic of North Macedonia*

#### **The First Farming Communities of Pelagonia and the Balkan Neolithic Wetlands**

### Dušan Mihailović<sup>1</sup>, Steven Kuhn<sup>2</sup>, Sofija Dragosavac<sup>1</sup>, Vesna Dimitrijević<sup>1</sup>, Ivana Živaljević<sup>3</sup>, Anđa Petrović<sup>1</sup>, Danilo Pajović<sup>1</sup>, Mirela Đurović<sup>1</sup>, Mirjana Roksandić<sup>4</sup>

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#### **First Insights into the Late Upper Paleolithic and Mesolithic Settlement of Southern Serbia**

### Marko Porčić

*Department of Archaeology, Faculty of Philosophy, University of Beograd, Beograd, Serbia*

#### **The beginning of the Neolithic in the Central Balkans: Knowns and Unknowns**

*coffee & tea break 10.30 - 11.00*

### Maxime Brami

*Palaeogenetics Group, Institute of Organismic and Molecular Evolution, Faculty of Biology, Johannes Gutenberg University, Mainz, Germany*

#### **The Lepenski Vir Conundrum Revisited**

### Barbara Horejs

*Austrian Archaeological Institute, Austrian Academy of Sciences and Human Evolution and Archaeological Sciences, University Vienna, Wien, Austria.*

#### **Multi-scalar and Multispecies Mobility in the Neolithisation of the Balkans**

### Raiko Krauß<sup>1</sup> and Dan Ciobotaru<sup>2</sup>

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#### **The Early Neolithic Settlement of Movila lui Deciov in Romanian Banat**

### Mario Bodružić, Kristina Horvat and Maja Grgurić

*Department of Archaeology, University of Zadar, Zadar, Croatia*

#### **Early Neolithic Herders of Northern Dalmatia: New Insight from Cave in Ždrilo**

*lunch break 13.00 - 14.00*

**Dimitrij Mlekuž Vrhovnik**

*Department of Archaeology, Faculty of Arts, University of Ljubljana and The Institute for the Protection of the Cultural Heritage of Slovenia, Ljubljana, Slovenia.*

**Active Periphery. The Place of the Southeastern Alps in the Neolithic World System**

**Guram Chkhatarashvili<sup>1</sup> and Valery Manko<sup>2</sup>**

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**Evolution Patterns of Final Pleistocene, Early and Middle Holocene Cultures in Southern Eastern Europe and the Caucasus**

**Giedrė Motuzaite Matuzevičiūtė**

*Bioarchaeology Research centre, Archaeology Department, History Faculty, Vilnius University, Vilnius, Lithuania*

**Forest Neolithic, Subneolithic or no-Neolithic – The Beginning of Food Production in the East Basics**

**Natalia Tsydenova**

*Institute for Mongolian, Buddhist and Tibetan Studies of the Siberian Branch of the Russian Academy of Sciences, Ulan-Ude, Republic of Buryatia, Russia*

**Origin of the Late Pleistocene Early Ceramic Transbaikalia Complexes**

*coffee & tea break 16.00 - 16.30*

**Agathe Reingruber**

*Institute for Prehistoric Archaeology, Freie Universität Berlin, Berlin, Germany*

**The flat sites Elateia 1 and Sesklo B in Context: Settlement Patterns of the Thessalian Early and Middle Neolithic**

**Dragana Rajković<sup>1</sup> and Selena Vitezović<sup>2</sup>**

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**Neolithic Multiculturalism: Zones of Contact of Various Communities**

**Katarina Botić**

*Institute of Archaeology, Zagreb, Croatia*

**8.2–6 ka BP Human-Environment Interaction in the Southwestern Carpathian Basin: A Past Narrative for Future Adaptation**

**Alexandra Anders**

*Institute of Archaeological Sciences, Eötvös Loránd University, Budapest, Hungary*

**Neolithic People and their Artefacts. Burials of the Polgár Microregion (NE Hungary) from the Perspective of Biosocial Archaeology**



**Saturday, 11<sup>th</sup> November**

**Morning session 9.00 - 12.00**

**Ivana Pandžić**

*Department of History, Faculty of Philosophy University of Banja Luka; Museum of Republic of Srpska; Banja Luka, Bosnia and Herzegovina Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina*

**Unearthing the Role of Salt Exploitation in Transforming Neolithic Bosnia and Herzegovina**

**Vidan Dimić and Dragana Antonović**

*Institute of Archaeology, Beograd, Serbia*

**Born Again: Multiple Biographies of Ground and Abrasive Stone Tools in the Neolithic of Serbia**

**Matija Turk**

*Institute of Archaeology, Scientific Research Centre of the Slovenian Academy of Sciences and Arts (ZRC SAZU), Ljubljana, Slovenia*

**Mesolithic site Viktorjev spodmol: A lithic Perspective**

**Alenka Tomaž**

*Department & Institute of archaeology and Heritage, Faculty of Humanities, University of Primorska, Koper, Slovenia*

**Tracing Standardization in Early Eneolithic Pottery Production. Case Study: Prekmurje Region**

**Bine Kramberger<sup>1</sup>, Borut Toškan<sup>2</sup> and Tjaša Tolar<sup>2</sup>**

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**Reassessment of the Neolithic Sava Group in Slovenia after 20 Years: New Data on the Chronology, Settlement Features, Ceramic style(s) and Economy from Dolsko – Spodnje Škovce**

*general discussion & closing remarks*