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Thursday 06.06.2013

16.00 – 21.00 Registration at the Danish Institute, Herefondos 14, Plaka

All lectures will be held in the auditorium of the Acropolis Museum.

Friday 07.06.2013

09.00 – 10.00 OFFICIAL ADDRESSES - WELCOME
Welcome and Introduction by the Organizing Committee
Greetings Dr. Maria Andreadaki-Vlazaki, General Director of Antiquities

I. OPENING LECTURES

10.00 Hauptmann, Harald (Heidelberg)
   From Village to City. Ex Oriente Lux?

10.20 Renfrew, Colin (Cambridge)
   Inventing the Final Neolithic.

10.40 Kotsakis, Kostas (Thessaloniki)
   Transformations and Changes at the End of the Neolithic: A Critical View.

11.00 – 11.30 Break

II. THE SURROUNDING WORLD

Chair: Klavs Randsborg - Ioannis Aslanis

11.30 Cultraro, Massimo (Catania)
   Ripples in the Sea: Balkan-Western Greece Interaction in Southern Italy and Sicily in Late Neolithic period (3800-3200 BC).

11.45 Parkinson, William A. - P. Ridge and Attila Gyucha (Field Museum, Chicago)
   Village Nucleation and Centralization in the Later Neolithic of South-Eastern Europe: A Long-Term, Comparative Approach.
III. INDIVIDUAL SITES AND REGIONAL DEVELOPMENTS

IIIA. BALKANS AND THE BLACK SEA

Chair: Klavs Randsborg - Ioannis Aslanis

12.00 Boyadzhiev Kamin and Yavor Boyadzhiev (Sofa)
The Chalcolithic settlement at Varhari: One Production and Trade Center in the Eastern Rhodope Mountains.

12.15 Mazanova, Velichka and Tatyana Mishina (Sofia-Moskow)
The Latest Late Chalcolithic Settlement at Tell Yunatsite.

12.30 Chohadzhiev, Stafan (Gorna Oriahovitza)
Stone Defensive Facility - Sushina Shumen District, Bulgaria.

12.45 Reingruber, Agathe (Berlin)
From the Rivers to the Seas: The Lower Danube, the Kamčija and the Maritsa/Meriç/Evros Rivers in the 5th Millennium BC.

13.00 Georgieva, Petya (Sofia)
Possible Approaches to Tracing the Fate of the Population of the Varna, Kodjadermen-Gumelniţa-Karanovo VI and Krivodol-Salcuţa Cultures.

13.15 Inga Merkyte (Copenhagen)
Modelling the Black Box. The Balkans in the 4th millennium BC.

13.30-14.15 Discussion

14.15-16.00 Break

IIIB. WESTERN ANATOLIA

Chair: Hayat Erkanal & Harald Hauptmann

16.00 Takaoğlu, Turan and Abdulkadir Özdemir (Çanakkale)
Aspects of Early 5th Millennium BC Culture in the Troad: A New Look from Smintheion (Gülpinar).
16.45 Çevik, Özlem (Edirne)
Faint Traces of the ‘Middle Chalcolithic’ Occupation in Ulucak in West-Central Anatolia.

17.00 Türkcan, Ali Umut (Eskişehir)
At the crossroads: Changing Chalcolithic phasing and settlement patterns in Phrygia.

17.15 Aslan, Rustem (Çanakkale)
The Origins of Troy. Recently found 5th and 4th Millenia BC settlements around Troy.

17.30 Günel, Sevinç (Ankara)
The Prehistoric Culture in Çine Tepecik and Its Contribution to the Archaeology of the Region.

17.45 Derin Zafer (Bornova-Izmir)
The Chalcolithic Period of Yeşilova Höyük.

18.00 Şahoğlu, Vasif (Ankara)

18.15 – 18.45 Discussion

21.00 Reception/Buffet for the participants

Saturday 08.06.2013

IIIC. MAINLAND GREECE

Chair: Nicoletta Divari-Valakou and Jeannette Forsén

09.30 Darcque, Pascal, Haido Koukouli-Chryssanthaki, Dimitra Malamidou - René Treuil and Zoi Tsirtsoni (Paris, Kavala, Nanterre)
The Chronological and Social Dimensions of the Late Neolithic I-II and the Late Neolithic Early Bronze Age Transitions in a Long-Living Settlement in Northern Greece (Dikili Tash, Kavala District).
09.45  Alram-Stern, Eva (Vienna)
  Visviki Magoula, Thessaly – Reconsidering Cultural Change from the Arapi- to
  the Dimini- and Rachmani Phases.

10.00 Rambach, Jörg (Kalamata)
  The EH I Cemetery in Kalyvia in Ancient Elis.

10.15 Bintliff, John (Leiden) – Kalliope Sarri (Athens)
  Demographic Transitions from the Later Neolithic Stages until the first EBA
  Settlements in the Plains and Hill-Country of Boeotia, Greece.

10.30 Pullen, Daniel (Florida)
  Caves and the Landscape of Final Neolithic through Early Bronze I Greece:
  Comparing Excavation and Survey Data from the Peloponnese.

10.45-11.30  Discussion

11.30 - 12.00  Break

IIID. THE AEGEAN ISLANDS, CYPRUS AND CRETE

Chair: Malcom Wiener and Colin Renfrew

12.00 Mavridis, Fanis (Athens)
  Colonizing the Archipelago: Aegean Later Neolithic Island Cultures and Their
  Place in a Changing World.

12.15 Erdoğan, Burçin (Edirne)
  The Island of Gökçeada (Imbroz) between 5000 and 4500 BCE.

12.30 Kouka, Ourania (Nicosia)
  Bordered by the Sea: Heraion and Miletus in the Fourth Millennium BC.

12.45 Georgiadis, Merkourios (Nottingham)
  The Final Neolithic Period of Halasarna Region on Kos: An Assessment.

13.00 Televantou, Christina (Athens)

13.15 Tankosić, Žarko (Indiana)
  Land Management in the Final Neolithic/Early Bronze Aegean? Some Tantalizing
  Indications from Southern Euboea.
13.30 - 15.00  Break

(section IIID: The Aegean Islands, Cyprus and Crete continued)

15.00 Peltenburg, Edgar (Edinburgh)
   Chalcolithic Cyprus: Small-Scale Society in Transition.

15.15 Tomkins, Peter (Leuven)

15.30 Nowicki, Krzysztof (Warsaw)
   Settlement Patterns and Social Organization in Crete during the Final Neolithic and in the Beginning of the Bronze Age, ca. 4000-3000 BC.

15.45 Todaro, Simona (Catania)
   The FN-EM I Transition in South-Central Crete: New Data from Phaistos.

16.00-16.45  Discussion

IV THE USE OF CAVES

Chair: Catherine Perlès and Eleni Panagopoulou

16.45 Papathanasiou, Anastasia, Panagiotis Karkanas, Georgios Papathanassopoulos, Stella Katsarou, George Valvis and Katerina Psimogiannou (Athens)

17.00 Stratouli, Georgia and Odysseas Metaxas (Thessaloniki - Athens)
   Reading Social Changes in the Late Neolithic/Final Neolithic Transition at Drakaina Cave, Kephalonia, W. Greece.

17.15 Sampson Adamantios and Vagia Mastrogiannopoulou (Athens)
   Late Neolithic Traditions: New Evidence from the Cave of Sarakenos, Kopais.

17.30 Korkut, Taner and Gül Işın (Akdeniz)
   Cave Habitations in Chalcolithic Lycia: The Case of Tavabaşı Cave at Tlos.
17.45 Kyparissi - Apostolika, Nina (Athens)
The Role of the Theopetra Cave in Thessaly at the End of the Neolithic: Habitual or Symbolic Use?

18.00-18.30 Discussion

21.00 Dinner for the participants

Sunday 08.06.2013

V. ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL LIFE.
IDEOLOGY, RITUALS AND SYMBOLIC EXPRESSIONS

Chair: Kostas Kotsakis and Lilian Karali

09.00 Hansen, Svend (Berlin)
Golden Disc Shaped Pendants of the 5th and 4th Millennium in South-East Europe.

09.15 Galanidou, Nena - Katya Manteli - Peter Tomkins - Argyro Nafplioti - Nellie Phoca-Cosmetatou (Rethymno, Athens, Leuven)
A Performance of Funerary Ritual in FN IV at Katsambas (Crete).

09.30 Nanoglou, Stratos (Thessaloniki)
The Beast with Many Heads: Assembling Bodies in the Aegean Final Neolithic.

09.45 Tzevelekidi, Vasiliki - Christina Ziota - Areti Chondrogianni-Metoki and Angelos Gkotsinas (Volos - Kozani)

10.00 Pappa, Maria (Thessaloniki)
Transformations of Space in the Late Neolithic Settlements of Northern Greece.

10.15 Papadopoulos, Stratis - Ourania Palli – Eleni Psathi – Tatiana Theodoropoulou and Sofia Vakirtzi (Kavala, Thessaloniki, Athens, Rethymnon)
Aghios Ioannis, Thassos: The Economy of a Small Coastal site Dated to the Second half of the 4th millennium B.C.

10.15-10.45 Discussion
10.45-11.15  Break

VI. MATERIAL CULTURE, TECHNOLOGY & EXCHANGE

Chair: Kostas Zachos and Angelika Dousougli

11.15 Perlès Catherine (Paris)
   Stones, Pots... and Now Ornaments: Revisiting the MN/LN and LN/FN
   Transitions at Franchthi Cave (Argolid, Greece).

11.30 Carter, Tristan (McMaster University)
   Of Hunters, Drinkers, Knappers and Jewellers: Common Traditions in the 4th
   Millennium BC.

11.45 Gatsov, Ivan and Petranka Nedelcheva (Sofia)
   The Lithic Technology on the Territory of the North East Aegean Shore, Marmara
   Region and Lower Danube Areas - 5000/4800-3200/3000 BC. Main Features.

12.00 Radivojević, Miljana (London)
   Metalmaking in the 5th millennium BC Late Neolithic/Chalcolithic Transition in
   the Balkans.

12.15 Slavchev, Vladimir (Sofia)
   Pottery from the Varna Copper Age Cemetery.

12.30 Nazou, Margarita (London)
   The End of the Neolithic in Eastern Attica: New data from Kontra Gliate (Kiapha
   Thiti) and Thorikos Mine 3.

12.30-13.30 Discussion

13.30-15.30 Break
VII. CULTURE CHANGE AND CHRONOLOGY AT THE END OF THE NEOLITHIC

Chair: Michael Cosmopoulos and Katerina Kopaka

15.30 Tunçel, Riza (Famagusta, Cyprus)
Continuity and Discontinuity in the Chalcolithic of Western Anatolia: A View from the Coast.

15.45 Aslanis Ioannis (Athens)
Greece in 5th and 4th Millennium B.C. Rise and Unexpected Decline of the Chalcolithic Era.

16.00 Coleman, John (Cornell) and Yorgos Facorellis (Athens)
The shadowy Proto-Early Bronze Age in the Aegean.

16.15 Dietz, Soren (Athens) and Pernille Bangsgaard (Copenhagen)
From Final Neolithic to Early Bronze Age in Central Greece. Three Chronological Cross-sections and a Summary.

16.30 Kufel, Mariusz and Łukasz Pospieszny (Poznań - Göteborg)
Rethinking the Absolute Chronology of Southern Balkans and Northern Aegean in the Latter Half of the 5th and in the 4th millennium BC.

16.45 Georgieva, Petya (Sofia)
Possible Approaches to Tracing the Fate of the Population of the Varna, Kodjadermen-Gumelnița-Karanovo VI and Krivodol-Salcuța Cultures

17.00 Oberweiler, Cecil - Gilles Touchais - Petrieka Lera (Athens-Paris-Tirana)
Synchronization of the Albanian and North Aegean Late Neolithic and Early Bronze Age Chronologies. New data from the lakeside dwelling of Kallamas (Albania).

17.15 Katsarou, Stella (Athens)
Beyond Transition: Tracing Eventfulness Behind the MN-LN I Ceramic Divide.

17.30-18.15 Discussion
IIIA. BALKANS AND THE BLACK SEA

Georgieva, Petya - Margarita Popova - Vesselin Danov (Sofia)
Tell Kozareva Mogila—a Settlement and a Necropolis from the West Black Sea Region.

Kapuran, Aleksandar - Aleksandar Bulatović and Dragan Milanović (Belgrade)
Settlement Pattern Changes through Central Balkan Copper Age.

Kuzmanović-Cvetković, Julka (Prokuplje, Serbia)
Late Neolithic Communities in Transition: The Case Study from the Site of Pločnik, Vinča Culture.

Kuzmanović, Maja (Pula, Croatia)
Balkan-Anatolian Relations seen from Medvode, a Prehistoric Settlement in Eastern Croatia.

Mina, Maria (Nicosia)
An Exploration of Metallurgy and Social Complexity at a time of Transition: Evidence from the Aegean and Cyprus.

Rađivojević, Miljana (London) and Marko Porčić (Belgrade)
Communities in Transition: Advances in Vinča Culture Studies.
IIIB. WESTERN ANATOLIA

Horejs, Barbara and Christoff Schwall (Vienna)
Interaction as Stimulus? Çukurçi Höyük and the Transition from Late Copper to Early Bronze Age in Western Anatolia.

Takaoğlu, Turan and Bamyacı Onur (Çanakkale)
Marble Vessels from Yeşiltepe Höyük in Northwest Anatolian Hinterland.

IIIC. MAINLAND GREECE

Chadjiangelou, Dimitris (Athens)
Neolithic Peloponnesus and the Klenia Cave in North Eastern Corinthia.

Gauss, Walter (Athens)
New evidence for the Beginning of Habitation at Aigeira / Achaia

Kyriazi, Olga - Ioanna Mavroeidi - Yannis Fappas (Thebes)
Tracing the Final Stages of the Neolithic Period in the Kephissos Valley, Boeotia.

Manteli, Katya (Athens)
A Final Neolithic Lead Axe from Thessaly in the National Archaeological Museum of Athens.

Tsota, Evi and Nikos Zacharias (Thebes & Kalamata, Greece)
A Final Neolithic Site in the valley of Thebes, Boeotia: New Aspects and Pottery Analysis.

IIID. THE AEGEAN ISLANDS, CYPRUS AND CRETE

Di Tonto, Serena (Naples)
The Earliest Phase of the FN at Phaistos in a Wider Cretan Context: New Perspectives.

Kopaka, Katerina and Efthymis Theou (Rethymno)
Gavdos or Living on the Southernmost Aegean Island in the Later Neolithic Cultural Horizons.

Klomp, Frukje (Amsterdam)
The Neolithic Origin of Tombs and Houses on EM Crete.
Lambrechts, Brecht (Leuven)
Neolithic Chios Revisited. Preliminary Results from an Integrated Study of the Neolithic Pottery from Ayio Gala and Emporio.

Voskos, Ioannis (Athens)
Rethinking the “Cypriot paradox”: Socio-Economic Change in Late Neolithic and Chalcolithic Cyprus.

IV. THE USE OF CAVES

Karali, Lilian - Fanis Mavridis and Dimitris Lambropoulos (Athens)
Lion’s Cave, Hymettus Mountain, Attica: Structures, figurines and material culture associations.

Mari, Alexandra (Athens)
The Later Neolithic Use of the Cave Oinoe IV at Marathon (Attica, Greece).

Riebe, Danielle (Chicago)
Long-Distance Economic Exchange of Melian Obsidian: The Diachronic Changes in Obsidian Trade at the Cave Site of Alepotrypa, Greece.

V. ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL LIFE.
IDEOLOGY, RITUALS AND SYMBOLIC EXPRESSIONS

Terzijska-Ignatova, Stoilka (Sofia)
Late Chalcolithic Cult Tables from Tell Yunatsite, Bulgaria.