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Sessions

- 1 - The Neolithic – Chalcolithic transition in Upper Mesopotamia. Subsistence strategies, economy, society and identity (Keynote speaker: M. Frangipane; title: Social and economic changes in Upper Mesopotamia from Halaf to Late Chalcolithic societies).
- 2 - The Levant in the Bronze Age: crossroad or frontier between different cultures? (Keynote speaker: A. Maeir; title: Group identities and interactions during the Bronze to Iron Age transformation: Complexity, entanglement and underlying mechanisms as seen in the Southern Levant).
- 3 - Imperial frontiers: the Assyrian periphery and interactions between Assyria and neighbouring kingdoms during the 1st millennium BC. (Keynote speaker: D. Morandi Bonacossi; title: Assyrian Rule and the Making of an Assyrian Landscape in the Core and Periphery of the Empire).
- 4- The East Mediterranean during the Iron Age: the formation of the western artistic tradition as a result of contacts with the Near East (Keynote speaker: L. Rebaudo; title: The Orientalising period in Greece. Past and present issues). **CANCELLED***
- 5 - West vs East: from Hellenism to the Roman expansion in the Near East (Keynote speaker: M. Cadario; title: Image-making and the Rulers in the Near East from the Hellenistic to the Roman Age.).
- 6 - Marine connections: the Gulf and the interactions between the Arabian peninsula, Mesopotamia and the Iranian world and beyond (Keynote speaker: M. Cattani; title: Adaptation and Transformation of Human Setting from Middle Holocene to the Iron Age in South-Eastern Arabian Peninsula?).
- 7 - Civilizations in contact: current research and new approaches in Mediterranean and Near Eastern archaeology (Keynote speaker: E. Rova; title: How wide is the “Near East”? Some reflections on the limits of our discipline).

*** Due to a low number of participants, we unfortunately had to cancel session 4. Haider’s, Bossolino’s and Raffainer’s papers have been moved to session 2, whereas Dusting’s paper has been moved to session 6.**

Conference Program

Monday, June 5th

Room T1, Palazzo Toppo Wassermann	
9.00 – 12.30	Registration
Salone del Parlamento, Castle of Udine	
14.00 - 15.00	Opening Session
15.00 – 15.30	An insight into new researches in the Kurdistan Region: H. Qasim The Progress of Archaeological Work in Kurdistan (Dohuk Governorate)
15.30 – 16.15	Session 1 - The Neolithic – Chalcolithic transition in Upper Mesopotamia. Subsistence strategies, economy, society and identity M. Frangipane – Keynote Lecture Social and economic changes in Upper Mesopotamia from Halaf to Late Chalcolithic societies
16.15 – 16.30	Coffee Break
CHAIR	<i>M. FRANGIPANE</i>
16.30 – 17.00	M. Iamoni Communities in interaction: the Pottery Neolithic and Chalcolithic in the Eastern Upper Tigris area (Iraqi Kurdistan)
17.00 – 17.30	J. S. Baldi Evolution as a way of intertwining: regional approach and new data on the Halaf-Ubaid Transition in Northern Mesopotamia

	Opening Lecture
17.30 – 18.30	J. MacGinnis Exploring a Provincial Capital on Assyria's Anatolian Frontier: the Ziyaret Tepe Archaeological Project
18.30 – 19.30	Visit to the Archaeological Museum
19.30 – 22.00	Icebreaker cocktail party

Tuesday, June 6th

8.45 – 9.30	Room T9, Palazzo Toppo Wassermann Session 5 - West vs East: from Hellenism to the Roman expansion in the Near East M. Cadario – Keynote Lecture Image-making and the Rulers in the Near East from the Hellenistic to the Roman Age		
	Room T3 Session 2	Room T4 Session 5	Room T5 Session 1
CHAIR	<i>A. MAEIR</i>	<i>M. CADARIO</i>	<i>M. IAMONI</i>
9.30 – 10.00	N. Kallas Distinction and affinity. The dualism of foreign features in the MBA Levantine palatial architecture	A. Tarek Rural worship as caravanserai in Roman Syria	A. Vacca New Data from a Late Chalcolithic Site in the Southwest Erbil Plain, Kurdistan, Iraq. Recent Italian Archaeological Researches at Helawa
10.00 – 10.30	L. Turri The Geopolitics of the Orontes Valley in the Late Bronze Age	A.-C. Sander The Palmyrene elite - Honoratiorees or functional elite?	M. Lewis Ceramic Production during the Late Chalcolithic at Gurga Çiya, Iraqi Kurdistan: A Technological and Compositional Study
10.30 – 11.00	Coffee Break		

CHAIR	<i>S. SOLDI</i>	<i>G. MARESCA</i>	<i>J.S. BALDI</i>
11.00 – 11.30	D. Kofel A stopover in Cyprus. Archaeobotanical studies of the Late Bronze Age site	R. Brancato The upper Tigris region (SE Turkey) and the Roman frontier from the end of the 1st century BCE to the 7th century CE	A. Breu, A. Gómez, J.-M. Faura, A. Rossell, M. Molist From Pre-Halaf to late Halaf pottery. Organic residues found in Tell Halula (Siria)
11.30 – 12.00	M. Montesanto More than a pile of sherds: functional analysis and social behaviour during Late Bronze-Early Iron Age Alalakh	G. M. Tabita Roman Cooking Ware in Parthian fortresses: new considerations about the brittle ware network on the Euphrates River (1st-3rd century AD)	C. Benitti The Halaf Tradition in Upper Mesopotamia: Some Questions About Identity and Socio-Economic Background
12.00 – 12.30	M. D'Andrea The Southern Levant in Early Bronze IV: Boundaries, Crossroads, and Interconnections	J. Köhler Echoes from the past in a colonial encounter? The ceramic evidence of the upper middle Tigris region from the 4th – 2nd century BCE	S. Taranto The husking tray: a pan to bake bread? An interpretation of the pottery typology by way of an experimental approach
12.30 – 13.00	V. Tumolo The seal-impressed jars in the Levant during the Early Bronze Age between equivalence and regionalism	R. Palermo Entanglements of Empire. The Archaeology of Seleucid Mesopotamia between Tradition and Globalisation	E. Prezioso Cognitive Archaeology and the “Ancient Mind”: Mesopotamian Motifs in the Formation of Egyptian Elites in the IV millennium
13.00 – 14.00	Lunch Break		
CHAIR	<i>V. TUMOLO</i>	<i>R. PALERMO</i>	<i>J.S. BALDI</i>
14.00 – 14.30	C. S. Spinazzi Lucchesi A reassessment of spinning bowls: new evidence from Egypt and Levant	J. Hordecki Çatalhöyük and Konya Plain in context of Hellenistic Culture	D. Moscone Understanding the Neolithic-Chalcolithic transition in the northern Iraqi Kurdistan: some preliminary results from the analysis of the technical system of lithic production
14.30 – 15.00	M. De Pietri From Thebes to Arslantaş: Egyptian Iconography on Ivories through Ugarit, Byblos and Megiddo	F. Guidetti The proconsul and the goddess: conceptualising an Anatolian deity in Greek and Roman contexts	N. H. Silva Ferreira Quantifying happiness in traditional Sumerian culture: a look at the role of agricultural abstract imagery in the conception of a transversal and traditional linguistic thought
			Room T5 Session 7
CHAIR	<i>V. TUMOLO</i>	<i>R. PALERMO</i>	<i>F. SIMI</i>
15.00 – 15.30	L. Hulková Between Egypt and the Levant? Second Intermediate Period (1740-1530 BC) Scarabs from Wadi Tumilat	S. S. Distefano Roman culture in a Greek world: Smyrna about 1st -4th cent. A.D	V. Regine The economy of North Arabian oases: the case study of Dūmat al-Jandal

15.30 – 16.00	C. Pappalardo Egyptian Imports in the Middle Bronze Age Levant and their Parallels of Chronological Significance from Middle Kingdom to Second Intermediate Period Egypt	E. Foietta Between East and West: the Kingdom of Hatra	F. Chelazzi, S. Bonzano Thinking Data. Integrative Big Data Approaches towards a Hybrid Archaeology in Western Asia and the Mediterranean
16.00 – 16.30	I. Puljiz Gold Objects as Markers of Cultural Affiliation: The Gold Inventory from Tomb VII at Qatna	P. Cimadomo Global trends? Interconnections and independence aspirations across the Jordan river (2nd century BCE -2nd century CE)	M. Farjamirad and N. Ibnoerrida The landscape of Pasargadae: new proposals on interaction between man and environment
16.30 – 17.00	Coffee Break		
17.00 – 17.30	J. Álvarez García Transmission and reception of Babylonian knowledge in Ugarit	G. Maresca Hellenistic Drangiana: Historical Sources and Archaeological Evidence	F. Cioé and M. Merlonghi New approaches in monitoring and safeguarding archaeological heritage: the Crisis Areas Archaeological Database (CAAD)
17.30 – 18.15	Room T9, Palazzo Toppo Wassermann Session 2 - The Levant in the Bronze Age: crossroad or frontier between different cultures? A. Maeir – Keynote Lecture Group identities and interactions during the Bronze to Iron Age transformation: Complexity, entanglement and underlying mechanisms as seen in the Southern Levant		

Wednesday, June 7th

8.45 – 9.30	Room T9, Palazzo Toppo Wassermann Session 3 - Imperial frontiers: the Assyrian periphery and interactions between Assyria and neighbouring kingdoms during the 1st millennium BC D. Morandi Bonacossi – Keynote Lecture Assyrian Rule and the Making of an Assyrian Landscape in the Core and Periphery of the Empire		
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	Room T3 Session 2	Room T4 Session 5	Room T5 Session 7
CHAIR	<i>M. D'ANDREA</i>	<i>F. GUIDETTI</i>	<i>F. PINNOCK</i>
9.30 – 10.00	V. Wolff Avrutis South Levantine Interregional Interactions, as Reflected in the Finds from an Early Bronze Age I Burial Ground at Neshar-Ramla Quarry (el-Hirbe), Israel	N. H. Silva Ferreira Farmers and shepherds, competition or symbiosis? A dialogical analysis on the manifestation of a universal topos in Sumerian and roman primary culture	K. Schmitt The Near East in Western Historical Novels
10.00 – 10.30	N. Knudsen Terracotta Figurines in the Southern Levant: Materials and Methods of Production	J. C. Martin Adoption and local interpretation. The early use of fired bricks in Western Asia Minor	A. Vacca Current researches on EB III-IVA1 at Tell Mardikh/Ebla: a multidisciplinary approach for the definition of early 3rd Millennium BC phases in Northern Levant within the framework of the second urbanization
10.30 11.00	Coffee Break		
		Room T4 Session 3	
CHAIR	<i>L. TURRI</i>	<i>M. FALES</i>	<i>E. ROVA</i>
11.00 – 11.30	A. M. C. Calabrese The Royal Ancestor Worship between the III and II millennium BC: the political significance of this cult	M. Forza The manifestations of cremation in the western Assyrian borders during Iron Age I and II	M. D'Andrea Current research on Ebla, Syria: re-considering inter-regional connections during Early Bronze IV
11.30 – 12.00	A. Caselli Cult and ritual in Early Bronze Age I Southern Levant: Fragmented or Connected Landscape?	S. Soldi The Northern Levant and Assyria: material productions in the Kingdom of Sam'al during the Neo Assyrian expansion to the West	E. Casadei The ceramic repertoire of the end of the Third Millennium BC as interregional problem
12.00 – 12.30	F. Pancin Drink for the Goddess: female-headed vessels, libation and drinking rituals in Bronze Age Eastern Mediterranean	B. Bolognani Figurines as social markers: the Neo-Assyrian impact on the Northern Levant as seen from the material culture	K. Gavagnin From the Ninevite V to the Akkadian period: an overview on pottery production and settlement patterns in the Land of Nineveh Archaeological Project

12.30 – 13.00	A.-K. Jeske Private-name seals in the MB-Southern Levant – An attempt of interpretation	A. Tavger The Province of Samerina under Assyrian Rule – Between Destruction and Continuity	C. Coppini Settling the Land: settlements pattern and ceramics in the Land behind Nineveh from the Middle Bronze Age to the establishment of the Middle Assyrian state
13.00 – 14.00	Lunch Break		
14.00 – 15.15	Poster Session*		
15.15 – 16.00	Room T9, Palazzo Toppo Wassermann Session 7 - Civilizations in contact: current research and new approaches in Mediterranean and Near Eastern archaeology E. Rova – Keynote Lecture How wide is the “Near East”? Some reflections on the limits of our discipline		
CHAIR	<i>A. DUSTING</i>	<i>J. MACGINNIS</i>	<i>C. COPPINI</i>
16.00 – 16.30	I. Bossolino The Early Iron Age Pottery Production of Kamiros, Rhodes: between the Levant and the West	R. Marsal Crossroads and logistics at the southern frontier of the Empire: the management of hydraulic resources at Edom	S. G. Russo Connecting Cultures, Dividing Countries: A Preliminary Assessment on the Khabur Ware of Girnavaz Höyük (southeastern Turkey)
16.30 – 17.00	Coffee Break		
17.00 – 17.30	M. Haider Economic and Cultural Exchanges between Levant and Greece during the Iron Age	A.-A. Baaklini The presence and influence of the Neo-Assyrian Empire in Phoenicia: textual and archaeological evidence	V. Oselini Defining the Early LBA Phase in Northern Mesopotamia: New Data from the Erbil Plain and Neighbouring Regions
17.30 – 18.00	U. Raffainer Re-formulating the West versus Importing the East. Greek artistic traditions in the 8th century B.C.E.	J. Bach Intertextual features of accounts of war between Assyria and neighboring powers	F. Manuelli Drifting southward. Tracing transformations of the extra-regional contacts in the Upper Euphrates area at the late-2nd Millennium BCE

Thursday, June 8th

8.45 – 9.30	Room T9, Palazzo Toppo Wassermann Session 6 - Marine connections: the Gulf and the interactions between the Arabian peninsula, Mesopotamia and the Iranian world and beyond M. Cattani – Keynote Lecture Adaptation and Transformation of Human Setting from Middle Holocene to the Iron Age in South-Eastern Arabian Peninsula		
	Room T3 Session 6	Room T4 Session 3	Room T5 Session 7
CHAIR	<i>M. CATTANI</i>	<i>D. MORANDI</i>	<i>K. GAVAGNIN</i>
9.30 - 10.00	A. Dusting Colourless Glass from Achaemenid Qal'eh Kali, Iran	Á. Vér Assyrian Administration in the Neo-Assyrian Provinces in the Zagros	F. Simi The Gomel Archaeological Survey, surface research and off site investigations in the heart of Navkur Plain
10.00 – 10.30	M. Vidale The Jiroft discoveries and ancient Marhashi: current state of the question	A. J. Edmonds Living on the Edge (of Empire). A new History of Assyria in the Eastern Habur Region	B. Barbiero Animal husbandry during the Bronze Age in the Southern Caucasus
10.30 – 11.00	Coffee Break		
11.00 – 11.30	L. Mocchiutti Early Bronze Age cosmetics at Shahr-i Sokhta and the beginning of wet chemical processing in the eastern Iranian plateau	G. Garna Here flowed the water: A first insight into Sennacherib's Canal in the Land behind Nineveh	L. Crescioli "Living burials": re-opening actions in kurgans between the Near East and the Eurasian Steppes
11.30 – 12.00	E. Preston The Ubaid in the Gulf: chemical and petrographic analysis of potsherds from Iraq to the Straits of Hormuz	A. Titolo Assyrian Imperial Frontiers during the First Millennium B.C: the case of the Iraqi Middle Euphrates	M. Fascitiello Rotary Hand Mills from Tell Barri (Syria): a preliminary sketch. Proposals and hypotheses on their function
12.00 – 12.30	S. Autiero Transculturality – A New Theoretical Approach to Early Historic India	R. Menis Iconography as expansionism: The Neo-Assyrian Empire and the ideological conquest of frontiers	S. Hadipour Moradi Globalization in Zoomorphic Motifs during Iron Age in Iran and Its Neighbor
12.30 - 13.00	M. Nicosia Christianity in the Arabian Gulf: vestiges of the East Syrian presence in Late Antiquity	L. Portuese Interaction between King and Foreigners: Visitors at the Assyrian Court of Sargon II	M. Ricetti Matching images: new approaches for the study of seals and seal impressions

13.00 – 14.00	Lunch Break		
CHAIR	<i>M. VIDALE</i>	<i>F. MANUELLI</i>	<i>C. COPPINI</i>
14.00 – 14.30	C. Putzolu, C. Baione, E. Cocca and S. Laurenza Rescue archaeology in the Sultanate of Oman: methods and solution strategies	D. Socaciu Urartu and Assyria: geography of the Taurus border region	M. Dallai The intramural funerary hypogea in Mesopotamia between the II and I Millennium BC: localization and architectural features
14.30 – 15.00	S. Laurenza, A. Di Michele, C. Putzolu and M. Bianchi Graves, Disposal and Social Memory: towards a new definition of funerary landscape in Oman	V. Egbers “An Assyrian in Urartu” – Lived Space in Iron Age Northern Mesopotamia	V. Dall’Armellina From the Caspian to the Aegean. The circulation of the “long sword” in the second millennium BC
15.00 – 15.30	F. Mauro The grave G58 from Sinaw area (Sultanate of Oman). A Late Iron Age warrior in its historical context	M. Castelluccia Beyond the highlands: the emergence of the Scythian and their penetration in the Near East	H. Almoustafa Defensible space and accessibility in upper Mesopotamia houses
15.30 – 16.00	Coffee Break		
CHAIR	<i>S. LAURENZA</i>	<i>A. VACCA</i>	
16.00 – 16.30	E. Cocca, G. Vinci, M. Cattani, S. Mantellini, A. Armigliato and M. Buta The 2015-2016 excavation season at the Bronze Age tower of Al-Khutm (Bat, Sultanate of Oman)	A. Kolba Naming the enemy – different names for Babylonia in the Neo-Assyrian Royal Inscriptions	
16.30 – 17.00	S. Lischi Analytical study of an enigmatic group of decorated shell objects from Sumhuram, Oman	Z. Csabai Interest Bearing Loans in the Neo-Assyrian Period in Assyria and Babylonia: A Comparative Perspective of the Sources from the 7th Century B.C.E.	
17.00 – 17.30		G. Mavronanos “Yadnana” and the Assyrians	
17.30 – 18.00	Room T9, Palazzo Toppo Wassermann H. Qasim and A. Canci The Burials of the Site of Şîndoxa in Duhok, Kurdistan Region		
18.00 – 18.30	Conclusions		
20.00 – 23.00	Reception		

***Poster Session**

Massimiliano Ghiri, Sabatino Laurenza and Enzo Cocca

A transitional model between Umm An Nar and Hafit cultures: the case study of grave 4 of Al Arid

Xose Luis Hermoso-Buxan

Space Syntax Analysis of the First Millennium Palaces of Assyria and Media

Ann-Kathrin Jeske

Typology of gates

Francesca Meneghetti

Miniature oxhide ingots from Cyprus: old and new questions

Sarvenaz Parsa

Fire Temple Landscapes in Ancient Persia: A GIS study of locations of Sasanian Chahar Taghs in Fars region of Iran

Quim Sisa, Anna Gómez, Ignacio Montero and Miquel Molist

Tell Lashkir Trought Metal Objects: an Archaeometallurgical Approach

Laura Zanazzo

The Iron Age II-III ceramic production of Mishrifeh in the regional context of the Northern Levant

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