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Paris, 7th-11th September 2020

The 7th International Conference on Predynastic and Early Dynastic Egypt

Draft program (February 2020)

Monday 7th September

9:00-10:00  Registration

10:00-12:00  Opening

12:00-13:30  Lunch

Upper Egypt
Chair: Renee Friedman

13:30-13:55  E. Christiana Köhler, Meret-Neith Revisited

13:55-14:20  Bart Vanthuyne, Contextualising the finds from Quibell’s 1894-1895 Ballas excavations in Egypt, 02 Short Presentation, Akmal, Mona, Prehistoric collections as a burden or a blessing

14:20-14:45  John Darnell, Recent Archaeological and Epigraphic Discoveries in the Eastern Hinterland of Elkab

14:45-15:00  Fritz Hardtke, Wouter Claes, Linda Evans, Yann Tristant, Human activity on the Nile during Pre- and Early Dynastic times. The Rock Art of El Hosh

15:00-15:30  Coffee break

15:30-15:55  Yann Tristant, Dendara at its origins

16:20-16:35  Tomasz Herbich & Friedman Renee, *Geophysical surveying in Hierakonpolis - a summary*

16:35-16:50  Martin Uildriks, *Mapping the Graves of Mesa’eed: How Fisher and West drew Pictures of the Past*

17:00-18:00  Poster session

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**Tuesday 8th September**

**Funerary Archaeology**  
*Chair: Yann Tristant*

9:00-9:25  Taichi Kuronuma, *Characteristics of spatial distribution in the Upper Egyptian Predynastic cemetery: A case study of the Petrie’s Main Cemeteries at Naqada*

9:25-9:50  Regina Hölzl, Vera Müller, Mary F. Ownby & Johannes Sterba, *The re-evaluation of the cemetery of Turah: new queries and first results*

9:50-10:15  Chloé Girardi, *From human bones to human bodies: reconstituting Pre- and Early Dynastic burial practices through an archaeoathanatological approach*

10:15-10:30  Ahmed Gabr, *Health and diseases in early dynastic Abydos. A view from South Cemetery*

10:30-10:50  Coffee break

**Lower Egypt**  
*Chair: Béatrix Midant-Reynes*

10:50-11:15  Agnieszka Mączyńska, *Cultural development of Lower Egypt from the 6th to the 4th millennium BC. A pottery study*

11:15-11:40  Frédéric Guyot, *The Earliest settlements of the Nile Delta: Evidence of Neolithic occupation at Tell el-Samara*

11:40-12:05  Nathalie Buchez, *Recent excavations in the LEC settlement of Tell el-Iswid*

12:05-13:30  Lunch

13:55-14:20 Marek Chłodnicki & Krzysztof M. Ciałowicz, Spatial organization and architecture of the settlement at Tell el-Farkha from its origins to the appearance of the Naqadians

14:20-14:45 Mariusz A. Jucha, The Nile Delta society of the IVth/IIIrd millenium BC as seen from the perspective of recent research at Tell el-Murra

14:45-15:10 Joanna Dębowska-Ludwin, Karolina Rosińska-Balik & Mariusz A. Jucha The great mastaba of Tell el-Farkha revised. When, how and why?

15:10-15:40 Coffee

15:40-16:05 Aiman Ashmawy Ali, Tell Basta in pre-dynastic period and early dynastic period

16:05-16:30 Nicola Math, Pots and Numbers – Typological Problems of the Pottery within the Turah Cemetery

16:30-16:45 Lawrence S. Owens, Joanne M. Rowland, Joris F.L. van Wetering & Mariusz A. Jucha, New excavations at the Protodynastic-Early Dynastic cemetery of Kafr Hassan Dawood (KHD), Wadi Tumilat, East Delta

16:45-17:00 Rita Hartmann & Mary Ownby, New insights into the pottery of the earliest occupation layer at Tell el Fara’in/Buto

Wednesday 9th September

Lithic studies
Chair: Heiko Riemer

9:00-9:25 Béatrix Midant-Reynes & François Briois, The flint industry at Tell el-Iswid. A first synthesis


9:50-10:15 Elizabeth Hart, Variation In Early Sickle Insert Production

10:15-10:45 Coffee


11:10-11:35 Katarzyna Lajs, Not only professionals: twofold production of Early Dynastic and Old Kingdom flint tools reflected in the inventory from Tell el-Murra
11:35-12:00  Karin Kindermann, Wouter Claes & Huyge Dirk, *Predynastic and Early Dynastic Elkab – a first Stony Perspective*

12:00-12:15  Raphaël Angevin, *Quelques talons cachés... Sur les stigmates de détachement des supports lithiques et leur effacement volontaire en Égypte protodynastique : quelques éléments de réflexion à partir des industries d’Abydos et Saqqarah Nord*

12:15-13:30 Lunch

**Cult, ideology and social complexity**
*Chair: E. Christiana Köhler*

13:30-13:55  Masahiro Baba, *Revealing elite’s ritual landscape at Hierakonpolis*

13:55-14:20  Nora Kuch, *Forgotten fragments of ritual practices in ‘Macramallah’s Rectangle’*

14:20-14:45  Eva-Maria Engel, *Organizing Life and Death: Institutions in the Reign of Khasekhemwy*

14:45-15:10  Massimiliano Nuzzolo, Kathryn E. Piquette & Mohamed Osman, *The Palermo Stone and the Cairo Fragments. New insights into the ancient Egyptian royal annals*

15:10-15:40 Coffee

15:40-15:55  Olivier Rochecouste, *Who are the Early Dynastic Elite? Reviewing the Social Distinctions behind Early Dynastic Elite Tombs*

15:55-16:10  Wojciech Ejsmond, *From Economics to Politics. On the origins of proto-state capitals*


16:30-18:00 Poster session

**Thursday 10th September**

**Egyptian margins**
*Chair: Ulrich Hartung*

9:00-9:25  Tiphaine Dachy, *Desert Encounter, Sheikh Muftah Scouts And Egyptian Travelers In Kharga Oasis*
9:25-9:50  Heiko Riemer, *Nomads and the early state at Dakhla Oasis: Landscape knowledge and cooperation as viewed from the Darb el-Tawil caravan route*

9:50-10:15  Marcelo Campagno, & Ianir Milevski, *Real or imaginary: fortification walls in the iconography of the Proto- and Early Dynastic Periods*

10:15-10:45  Coffee

**Iconography**
Chair: Krzysztof Ciałowicz

10:45-11:10  Stan Hendrickx & Merel Eyckerman, *Rhombo"id is not just a shape*

11:10-11:35  Dorian Vanhulle & Stan Hendrickx, *A Little Bird Told Me ... Observations on the representation of birds during the Predynastic and Early Dynastic Period*

11:35-12:00  Jordan Miller, *The use of ‘composite’ creatures in late Predynastic art: Cultural, material and iconographic considerations*

12:00-13:30  Lunch

13:30-13:45  Elizabeth Brice, *One or Many? Investigating the function and significance of bovid figurines in prehistoric Egypt*

13:45-14:00  Renee Friedman, Antoine Daniel, Wills Barbara, Rowe Sophie & Whiting Rebecca, *The Decorated Body in Predynastic Egypt*

14:00-14:15  Julie Villaey, *The development of the royal imagery: new considerations about the serekhs*

14:15-14:30  Kathryn Piquette, Merel Eyckerman, Frank Förster & Stan Hendrickx, *Reviewing the Narmer palette*

14:30-14:45  Sonja Speck, *Pre- and Early Dynastic body concepts in Old Kingdom anthropomorphic sculpture: Transformation and selection processes*

14:45-15:00  Maria Nilsson & John Ward, *Stylistic diversity and chronological development: Recent Rock Art documentation in the Gebel el-Silsila area (incl. Nag el-Hammam and Shatt el-Rigal)*

15:00-15:30  Coffee

**Textual evidence**
Chair: Pierre Tallet

15:30-15:45  Jérémie Florès, *The “Treasury” (pr-ḥḏ) in Early Dynastic Egypt*
Matthew George, *An investigation of the link between changing titles and administrative reforms in Early Dynastic Egypt*

Susan Kelly, *The loss of Kaplony’s Early Dynastic Krugmagazin?*

*Poster session*

**Friday 11th September**

**Museums studies**
Chair: Xavier Droux

9:00-9:25 Liam McNamara, *Faking it? Once more “MacGregor Man”*

9:25-9:40 Ilaria Incordino, *Two possibly royal reliefs of the IIIrd Dynasty from Bet Khallaf necropolis*

9:40-9:55 Sebastián Francisco Maydana, *Rethinking Royal Ontario Museum terracotta model no. 900.2.45*

9:55-10:10 Federica Ugliano, & Giulio Lucarini, *Heliopolis at its dawn. Predynastic evidence from the Museo Egizio collection*

10:15-10:45 Coffee break

10:45-11:00 Mona Akmal, *Prehistoric collections as a burden or a blessing*

**Material, technology and craft specialisation**
Chair: Liam McNamara

11:00-11:25 Martin Odler, Jiří Kmošek, Marek Fikrle, Yulia V.Kochergina & Yann Tristant, *The origins of Early Dynastic copper. Current state of research and future prospects*

11:25-11:40 Nathalie Baduel & Philippe Walter, *Importance of the material at Predynastic. Example of green ore and Adaïma’s exceptional contribution: choices that underlie the surveys and hypothesis of supply from the physico-chemical analyzes*

11:40-11:55 Amber Hood & E. Christiana Köhler, *Waterbolk 2.0 – How to future-proof your sample selection*

12:00-13:30 Lunch

13:55-14:20 Adel Moustafa, *A look at the archaeobotanical records of early sites in the Memphite area and beyond*

14:20-14:45 Amr Khalaf Shahat, *Social history of Food in Egyptian predynastic: Between Humanities and molecular Sciences*

14:45-15:00 Jade Bajeot, *The Lower Egyptian Culture and its evolution: new perspectives through the ceramic technology approach*

15:00-15:30 Coffee break

15:30-15:55 Friederike Junge, *Untangling the entangled – On the purpose of ceramic vessels in funeral processes*

15:55-16:10 Xavier Droux, *An online corpus of white Cross-lined vessels: toward a better understanding of C-ware vessels*


16:25-16:40 Alistair Dickey, *New insights into the textile chaîne opératoire in Pre and Early Dynastic Egypt: the role of splicing in thread production and its potential implications*

16:40-16:55 Anne Drewsen, *Textile Production – a Forgotten Industry?*

17:00-17:30 Conclusion

20:00-22:00 Farewell dinner
Posters

Said Mahmoud Abdelmoneim & Mohamed Abdelhay, *Early royal inscriptions in Wadi Abu Subeira*

Sherif AbdèlMœniem & Mahmoud Shafie, *Giza at the predynastic time*

Mona Akmal, *The role of data mapping in obtaining new insights into the emergence of the writing system in predynastic Egypt*

David A. Anderson, *Evidence for textile production in the Predynastic settlement at el-Mahâsna*

Raphaël Angevin & Christine Lorre, *The lithic grave goods of the "Royal Tomb" at Naqada (Upper Egypt): taphonomic, technological and spatial analysis*

Jade Bajeot & Nathalie Buchez, *The fibrous ware – a reassessment on the basis of new analysis*

Grzegorz Bąk-Pryc, *The role and distribution of stone vessels in Early Dynastic graves in the Nile Delta*

Marie-Noël Bellessort, *Au prédynastique, les jeux sont faits…*

Wouter Claes & Dorian Vanhulle, *Boat models from the Early Dynastic settlement of Elkab: new insights in the archaeology of early pharaonic domestic contexts*

Marcin Czarnowicz, *Egypt and Levant- conquest, domination or cooperation – relations between the neighbors in light of most recent finds*


Anne Drewsen, *Textile production in the Naqada Period*

Matthew George & Jessica Binet, *The implementation of a temporal framework in Early Dynastic Egypt, and its administrative implications*

Elizabeth Hart, *Crafting for The Afterlife: The production and use of flaked-stone bangles*

Karin Harzbecher Spezzia, *The Neolithic Rock Art from Wadi Abu Subeira (Aswan, Egypt)*

Zeinab Hashesh, *Displaying Scenario for Taramsa skeleton, Egypt*

Jane Hill, *Votive figurines and Decorated Ware Bowls: Evidence of Local Cult at the site of el-Amra, Upper Egypt*

Jacek Kabaciński, Agnieszka Czekaj-Zastawny & Joel D. Irish, *Transformations in the Neolithic burial practices in the Egyptian Western Desert. A case of Gebel Ramlah*
Robert Kuhn, *The stone vessel convolute in the tomb of king Dewen at Abydos. A view on special craftsmanship in Early Dynastic Egypt*

Christine Lorre, *Réévaluation de la collection prédynastique égyptienne du musée d’Archéologie nationale (Saint-Germain-en-Laye) et diffusion numérique*

Geirr Kristian Homme Lunden, *Dying with the Living: The Pragmatism of First Dynasty Subsidiary Tombs*

Agnieszka Mączyńska & Michał Kobusiewicz, „*Lost assemblage*. The Neolithic pottery from site E29H2 (Kom W) in the Fayum depression*

Yaser Mahmoud Hussein, *Local elite or state elite: the biggest mudbrick tomb from the First Dynasty at Abydos*

Candelaria Martín del Río, *Predynastic Egyptian combs. What do we know about its function?*

Allison McCoskey, *Forming the Dual King: The Contributions of Den to the Unification*

Mathilde Minotti, *The ornaments at Tell el-Iswid, from Lower Egyptian culture to Naqada culture*

Morgan Moroney, *Heaven Was a Drink of Wine: The Protective and Rejuvenative Functions of Tomb U-j’s Wine Sealings*

Marinus Ormeling, *Revisiting A. Klasens at Abu Rawash; modelling the organisation of the construction of Middle Class tombs at the Lower Cemeteries*

Olivier Rochecouste, Ejsmond Wojciech & Taichi Kuronuma, *Archaeological topography of the Northern Necropolis of Gebelein in the light of current research*

Bastien Ségalas, *Copper objects from the Pre- and the Protodynastic periods: considerations on the symbolic aspects of the metal*

Joris van Wetering, *Nubt and the Kingdom of Naqada. Early complex polity formation in Upper Egypt, Fourth Millennium BC*