We are pleased to distribute the Origins7 Second Circular to all researchers interested in Predynastic and Early Dynastic Egypt. Continuing in the spirit of the conference series launched almost 20 years ago in 2002 (Kraków), the aim of the Origins7 conference is to contribute to research on the archaeology of Predynastic and Early Dynastic Egypt. This scientific meeting has continued to develop over the past six conferences, and we hope to make further advancements in Paris. Leading experts in the field, together with young scholars, will gather and present the latest results on archaeological fieldwork and research relevant to questions surrounding the origins of the world’s first territorial state of Pharaonic Egypt.

Since sending the first circular in February 2019, we have received positive responses and suggestions from many of you. Please don’t hesitate to send us your feedback and suggestions.

GETTING TO THE CONFERENCE

The conference will take place in the auditorium of the Institut National d’Histoire de l’Art (INHA) in Paris from Monday 7th to Friday 11th September 2020.

The venue is conveniently located in Paris, between the Opéra Garnier and the Musée du Louvre:

Institut National d’Histoire de l’Art  
2, rue Vivienne, 75002 Paris (France)  
Metro: Bourse, Palais-Royal, Pyramides, Grands Boulevards, Richelieu Drouot  
Bus: lines 29 and 39  
Location map available [here](#)

LANGUAGES

The official languages of the conference are French and English.
ORAL AND POSTERS PRESENTATIONS

Papers and posters will be presented in thematical sessions. They will cover all aspects of Predynastic and Early Dynastic Egypt: craft specialisation, social complexity, chronology, technology, material culture, urbanism, art, ideology, religion, results of recent fieldwork, etc. During the five days of the conference, speakers will present a diverse range of study results concerning the origins of Egypt (4th millennium BC/beginning of the 3rd millennium BC). Sessions will also be devoted to the presentation of posters.

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION

Participants wishing to present an oral communication, or a poster, must send their abstract by email to origins7paris@gmail.com no later than 1st October 2019. Proposals should be a maximum of one page (500 words) and will have to conform to the guidelines outlined below (they are also available on the conference website.)

Abstracts must be presented according to the following guidelines (please use the template available on the website):

Max Size: 500 words
Type of presentation: “Paper” or “Poster”, Times New Roman 12, Bold italics, small capital letters, alignment: centre
Authors: Times New Roman 12, Bold, small capital letters for the family name, small letters for the first name, alignment: Left
Title: Times New Roman 14, Bold, alignment: left
Institution: Times New Roman 10, alignment: left
Presenting author: “Presenting author: name”, Times New Roman 10, alignment: left
Text: Times New Roman 12, paragraph indent 0.63cm, alignment: justify
Filename: Please save your abstract in Word (.docx, .doc or .rtf formats). The file should be named as the following: “author.doc” or “author_et_al.doc”.

- No figures and no references must be included in the abstract.
- Abstracts that do not meet the requirements stated above will be rejected.

Due to the large number of proposals, if you wish to make multiple presentations, please limit yourself to one oral presentation and submit posters for any other presentations.

Abstracts will be evaluated by an international scientific committee that will determine the final list of selected papers. Papers will be assigned to individual sessions by the Scientific Committee. Organisers reserve the right to place oral presentations into posters, or vice versa.

Authors will receive an acknowledgement of receipt after submission of their abstract and will be informed about the acceptance of their proposal. Abstracts received after the deadline will not be accepted.

REGISTRATION

Early bird registration is now open. It will close Thursday 30th April 2020 – book and pay before this date to save on registration rates.
Early registration Late registration
(until 01/04/2020) (from 01/04/2020)

Academics 150 € 200 €
PhD or Master candidates (with student ID) 80 € 130 €
Visitors 100 € 150 €
Student visitors (with student ID) 60 € 100 €
Visitors day pass 50 €

Registration fees include conference bag, tea/coffee breaks, lunches (buffets) and social/academic events (except gala dinner). Travel costs and accommodation are at the expense of the participants.

Once your registration has been processed a receipt of payment will be sent to the email address provided on your registration form.

Payment of full registration fees (Academics, PhD or Master candidates, Visitors) will entitle delegates to attend all presentation sessions, to receive a conference folder with the book of abstracts, to take part in social events and in the tea/coffee breaks. Day passes will give entry to the presentations for one day only.

SOCIAL AND ACADEMIC EVENTS

Social and academic events (cocktails and keynote lectures) will be organised at the end of each conference day. Details will be provided in the next circular (January 2020) and on the website.
Gala dinner (Friday 11th September 2020) is NOT included in the registration fees (price TBC)

ACCOMODATION

There are plenty of hotels near the conference venue. For information, a list of hotels and sites to consult to help you in your search for accommodation is available at:
https://www.parisinfo.com/ou-dormir/infos/rechercher-un-hebergement
https://en.parisinfo.com/where-to-sleep-in-paris/info/find-an-accommodation
https://www.french.hostelworld.com/Auberges-de-Jeunesse

Around the Musée du Louvre:
Louvre Saint Honoré
https://www.bestwestern.fr/fr/hotel-paris-1er-Best-Western-Premier-Louvre-Saint-Honore-93640
Hotel Saint Roch
http://www.hotelsaintroch-paris.com/
Hotel Opera Maintenon
http://www.hotel-opera-maintenon.com/
Citadines les Halles
Citadines quai des Grands Augustins
Hotel Thérèse
http://www.hoteltherese.com/
Hostels/Auberges de Jeunesse
https://www.bvjhostelparis.com/auberge/bvj-louvre/

You can also consult booking sites such as booking.com, trivago, hotels.com, AirBnB etc.
IMPORTANT DATES

1st September 2019: early registration opens
1st October 2019: abstract submission deadline
15 January 2020: third circular
1st March 2020: draft program
1st April 2020: end of early registration submission
1st July 2020: final programme

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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We are looking forward to seeing you all in Paris in September 2020