The 7th International Conference on Predynastic and Early Dynastic Egypt

First circular

We are very pleased to announce that the 7th International Conference “Egypt at its Origins” on Predynastic and Early Dynastic Egypt will be held in Paris from the 7th to 11th September 2020. The conference will be hosted at Paris-Sorbonne University, in the auditorium of the Institut national d’histoire de l’art (INHA, 2 Rue Vivienne - 75002 Paris). This international conference series has enjoyed a considerable development since the first one in Kraków, in 2002, and it is now the most important international meeting for archaeologists, historians, art historians and epigraphists working on Predynastic and Early Dynastic Egypt.

The 7th International Conference of Predynastic and Early Dynastic Studies marks the continuation of the previous successful conferences which happens every three years: Kraków (2002), Toulouse (2005), London (2008), New York (2011), Cairo (2014) and Vienna (2017). This five-day international event will gather in Paris a network of experts from different countries. They will present and discuss their respective research relating a significant range of themes within the broader subject of the origins of the Egyptian State (from the Predynastic period to the beginning of the Old Kingdom).

As in the previous meetings, Origins7-Paris aims to provide a forum to bring together the latest studies of Predynastic and Early Dynastic studies from a wide range of perspectives, based on field discoveries, material analyses, theoretical considerations, etc. Papers and posters will concern 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.

The official languages of the conference are French and English. Abstracts must be submitted before 1st September 2019 by email at the following address: origins7paris@gmail.com

Information about the abstract format, conference fees, social events, and venue details will be posted in the next circular (May 2019). A conference website, currently under construction, will also contain further information regarding the registration, accommodation and schedule.

We look forward to welcoming our colleagues in Paris in September 2020.

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