

Conference Programme

Saturday, 21st September 2019

Session III

Weapons in Movement: Selection, Change and Diffusion

9.00

János Gábor Tarbay (Hungarian National Museum, Budapest)

On the "Selection" of Weapon Hoards

9.30

Raimon Graells i Fabregat (RGZM, Mainz)

Greek Archaic and Classical Panoplies: A Diachronic Approach

10.00

Denis Topal (University High Anthropological Study, Chisinau)

Akinakai of Eurasia: Opportunities for the Integration

10.30

COFFEE BREAK

Session IV

The Hidden Dimension: Weapons and Archaeometry

11.00

Marek Verčik (Charles University, Prague) / Ümit Güder (Canakkale Onsekiz Mart University)

Archaic Scale Armour from the Aegean: Archaeological and Archaeometallurgical Study

11.30

Marc Gener Moret (University of Cambridge / McDonald Institute for Archaeological Research)

A Sword is a Sword. Archaeometric-oriented Studies of Ancient Weapons

12.00

Discussion

12.30

Conclusion

Final Remarks by Markus Egg (RGZM, Mainz)

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Ancient Weapons

New Research Perspectives
on Weapons and Warfare
in the 1st Millennium BC

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Mainz, September 20th–21st 2019

Ancient Weapons

Ergonomic design, finest selection of materials and high-developed technological background: to this date pre-, protohistoric and classical weapons have been some of the most appreciated items by warfare specialists all over the world.

Modern archaeology goes beyond the interest in the exterior appearance of ancient weapons and focuses on the study of the single objects to explore new research avenues.

Technological transfer, social interaction and conflict dynamics of ancient societies can be investigated through the analysis of weapons and warfare considering their material and symbolic features. Far from being objects for amateurs and collectors, ancient weapons become protagonists in historical and scientific reconstructions, with a huge potential as sources of knowledge.

This conference is dedicated to the comparison of different research strategies on ancient weapons and warfare. The discussion will focus on weapons and on their archaeological and cultural contexts, their practical and symbolic use, and the complexity of their technological features. A selection of case studies presented in four small thematic sessions will offer the opportunity to develop interdisciplinary debates and define future research paths.

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14.00
Registration

14.15
Welcome and Introduction
Opening Address by Giacomo Bardelli and Raimon Graells i Fabregat

Session I
Weapons and Their Contexts: The Sanctuaries

14.30
Alessia D'Antonio (University of Salerno)
Studies on the Weapons from Poseidonia-Paestum

15.00
Azzurra Scarci (RGZM, Mainz)
Iron and Bronze Weapons from the so-called Ares Temple at Monte Casale (South-eastern Sicily) as "Ex-voto par Transformation / Ex-voto par Destination"

Session II
Weapons and Their Contexts: The Tombs

15.30
Claudio Negrini (University of Wien)
Weapons and the Symbolic Representation of Warriors in the Necropoleis of Romagna (Italy) between the 10th and 5th Century BC



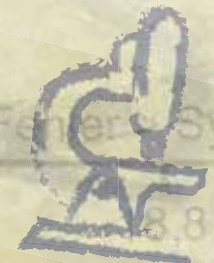
16.00
COFFEE BREAK

16.30
Giacomo Bardelli (RGZM, Mainz)
Live by the Sword, die with the Sword. The Warrior Tombs of the "Circolo delle Fibule" of Numana, between Restoration and Interpretation

17:00
Nikola Stefanovsky (Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology / Martin Luther University, Halle-Wittenberg)
Weapons as Symbols and their Manipulation: The Case of Tomb 1, Gorna Porta – Ohrid

17:30
Discussion

19.30
Conference Dinner



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