



After a one-year break, we invite you yet again to take part in the archaeological conference *Poles in the Near East*. Its fifth edition is planned to take place online on 9–11 June, 2021.

The aim of the conference is to provide a forum for **exchange of information on archaeological research and conservation work** carried out with the participation of Polish researchers and institutions in the broadly-defined Near East: from the eastern Mediterranean to Central Asia. The conference is organized by the Polish Centre of Mediterranean Archaeology of the University of Warsaw and the Chair of the Archaeology of Orient, Faculty of Archaeology of the University of Warsaw.

The submitted presentations should be related to the **archaeology of the above-mentioned areas in a wide time frame, from prehistory to the late Middle Ages.** We invite to participate the members of Polish archaeological expeditions and those working in foreign projects. The call is extended not only to the participants of current fieldwork but also to scholars working on archival material from previous research as well as to the presentation of studies unrelated to any specific field projects. Since, as we all know, the year 2020 was not conducive to archaeological fieldwork, we encourage the presentation of the research topics on which you may have worked in the meantime.

Due to the epidemic situation the 2020 conference had to be cancelled. To avoid a repetition of this situation we plan this year's edition from the start in a **remote** form. The advantage of this form is the possibility of extending the invitation to participate in the conference – both as speakers and as listeners – to **foreign scholars** co-operating with Polish expeditions or those working in related fields. With this in mind, this year we accept **papers in both Polish and English**, and encourage you to invite your foreign colleagues to participate. All conference presentations must be original and relate to issues that have not been previously presented in oral or written form.

As in previous years, we anticipate that the papers will cover topics such as:

- the results of the latest fieldwork (including those that were not presented at last year due to cancellation) – bioarchaeology – studies on archival material from past excavations – studies on selected categories of finds – advances in excavation and documentation methodology – conservation and restoration in archaeology, site presentation and community archaeology.

At the stage of collecting submissions, we've decided to resign from imposing session topics. The submitted papers will be grouped into thematic blocks. However, **we encourage you to organize thematic panels around the subjects of your study**. In order for the panel to be effective, the organizer must ensure the participation of at least four speakers. We also propose that if at least one of the speakers in a session is a foreign guest, the rest of the papers should also be presented in English.











As before, you can chose for your paper a presentation (20 minutes) or a communiqué (10 minutes). This year, we are resigning from the poster session and encourage the use of the communiqué instead.

Articles based on the conference papers can be submitted for publication in the *Polish Archaeology in the Mediterranean* journal.

## Please send your submission via Google form: <u>https://forms.gle/WazmxaHNxgRxK5hS6</u>

The organizing committee will notify the speaker about the acceptance of the paper within one week of receiving the submission.

Each submission must include:

- title of the paper;
- information about the language of the paper and whether it is possible to change it to English;
- information about the corresponding author, including his/her e-mail address;
- name, surname, academic degree and affiliation of each of the authors;
- abstract (up to c. 1500 characters with spaces in the language of the presentation);

- keywords: 4–8 terms (in the language of the presentation) that will help to group the papers into thematic blocks.

## Conference: Poles in the Near East 2021

## Date:

9-11 June, 2021

Place:

on-line (details about the platform will be presented in the next circular) Length of presentations: Presentation: 20 minutes Communiqué: 10 minutes

Application deadlines:

Proposals of thematic panels/sessions: 15 March, 2021 Titles and abstracts of papers: 1 April, 2021 Organizing committee:

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