

Excavating the Extra-Ordinary 2

Challenges and merits of working with small finds

Friday 25/11/2022	
9:30 – 10:15	INTRODUCTION Andrea Kilian (Freie Universität Berlin) Alexander Pruß (Johannes Gutenberg University Mainz) Monika Zöller-Engelhardt (Johannes Gutenberg University Mainz)
10:30 – 11:15	KEYNOTE Aaron Schmitt (Ruprecht-Karls-University Heidelberg) Uncovering the potential of early 20th century excavations in Mesopotamia: Ur and Ashur as case-studies
11:15 – 12:15	Session I: <i>Multidisciplinary Methods</i> IMPULSE Anna Hodgkinson (Freie Universität Berlin) A Multidisciplinary Approach to Early and Modern Excavations Carried out at Site M50.14-16 at Amarna Martin Odler (Charles University, Prague) & Jiří Kmošek (Academy of Fine Arts Vienna Academy of Sciences of the Czech Republic) Realities of Metalworking Life on the Middle Kingdom Elephantine Island
12:15 – 14:00	LUNCH
14:00 – 15:00	Session II: <i>Contextualizing Small Finds</i> Tara Ingman (Koç University, Istanbul) & Hélène Maloigne (University College London) & K. A. Yener (University College London) A Forgotten Kingdom of Small Finds – A Bronze Age Legacy Collection from Alalakh in UK Museums Eva A. Calomino (Instituto Multidisciplinario de Historia y Ciencias Humanas, Buenos Aires) From Special Findings to Domestic Dynamics. Contextual Study of the small finds of Tell el Ghaba (Egypt)
15:00 – 15:30	COFFEE BREAK
15:30 – 16:30	Session III: <i>Deductions from Microdebris</i> IMPULSE (Near Eastern Archaeology) Jana Richter (Westfälische Wilhelms-University Muenster & Ludwig Maximilians-University, Munich) Finding Meaning in Microdebris: Challenges of working with very small finds at an Iron Age site in Iraqi Kurdistan
16:30 – 17:00	COFFEE BREAK
17:00 – 18:00	Session IV: <i>Best practices: Analyzing fragmented stone vessels</i> Robert Kuhn (Ägyptisches Museum und Papyrussammlung – Staatliche Museen zu Berlin – Preußischer Kulturbesitz) More than 20.700 fragments of stone ... The convolute of stone vessels from the tomb of king Dewen at Abydos Nora Kuch (State Museum of Egyptian Art, Munich) Puzzling Fragments: Deposits of Stone Vessel Fragments in Context of Early Dynastic Burial Practices
Ab 19:00	CONFERENCE DINNER

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Saturday 26/11/2022	
9:30 – 10:30	<p>Session V: <i>Switching Functions and Methods</i> IMPULSE Julia Budka (Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München) What makes a pottery sherd a small find? Processing re-used pottery from settlement contexts</p> <p>Camille Abrie (Panthéon-Sorbonne University) A pottery study approach to small find analyses. The zoomorphic clay figurines from Tell Abraq (Umm Al-Quwain, UAE)</p>
10:30 – 11:00	COFFEE BREAK
11:00 – 12:00	<p>Session VI: <i>Best practices: Analyzing Figurines</i> Tina Beck (Freie Universität Berlin) What to Do with All These Fragments? Challenges and Possibilities of Reconstructing Fragmented Wooden Tomb Statues</p> <p>Elisabeth Eltze (University of Auckland) Worker, Warden, or Whatnot? Amannote-erike's shabti in consideration</p>
12:00 – 13:30	LUNCH BUFFET
13:30 – 14:00	<p>ENIGMATIC OBJECTS Jean-Pierre Pätznick (Sorbonne University) The royal engraved marbles of the First Dynasty</p>
14:00 – 15:00	<p>Session VII: <i>Cultures in Context</i> IMPULSE Maciej Makowski (Institute of Mediterranean and Oriental Cultures of the Polish Academy of Sciences, Warsaw) Quantitative approach to definition of the local traditions and trajectories in material culture of Near East: a case study of coroplastic arts from 3rd millennium BC Mesopotamia</p> <p>Silvia Prell (History of Architecture and Building Archaeology/TU Vienna; visiting scientist ÖAI/ÖAW) Hard to Pin Down – Clothing Pins in the Near Eastern Bronze Age with Focus on Middle Bronze Age Tell el-Dab'a/Egypt</p>
15:00 – 15:30	COFFEE BREAK
15:30 – 16:30	<p>Session VIII: <i>Best practices: Analyzing small finds</i> Vanessa Boschloos (Ghent University) & Alexander Ilin-Tomich (Johannes Gutenberg University Mainz) Beyond the most obviously interesting: aims and methods in documenting and processing scarabs</p> <p>Camille Koerin (University of Strasbourg) The cylinder seals as a source of study on the interactions between Egypt and Mesopotamia in the 4th millennium BCE</p>
16:30 – 16:45	FINAL DISCUSSION