

Invitation to scientific conference

Dear colleague,

We are pleased to announce the organization of a scientific conference in Zagreb:

**The unusual in usual: small finds-household items, pottery, jewelry;
the bridge between Antiquity and the Early Middle Ages. Roads and rivers 4
24th – 25th November 2022**

This year's conference focuses on small finds, those types and categories of finds often presented summarily in the publication of research results; those which are considered uniform, chronologically indeterminate or difficult to determine, insufficiently known. Every research we come across finds that, at first glance, do not offer more profound knowledge or any significant conclusion about communities who left them behind. However, researchers often encounter new questions in specific cases when processing such findings. They can also notice certain deviations from the usual picture of the finds in question. For example, more ceramic vessels at the site than is usual in the period and/or area in question; the range of certain finds differs from the expected one, a find of this type in an unusual context, a new pattern of occurrence of a certain type of finds on the site, a morphological feature not yet observed and/or any deviation encountered by the researcher. We are particularly interested in such phenomena or cases that indicate the existence of certain communication paths or connections between different communities or cultural circles in the period from Antiquity to the Middle Ages in the Carpathian Basin.

Sections

- Jewellery: local variants, curiosities, possible suprachronological or supraregional connections
- Household items made of metal: type of finds which are usually deemed chronologically insensitive/neutral, but can point out to other patterns: social organisation or valuation of community or an individual, or any other phenomenon
- Pottery: number, type, the context of the find deviates from the expected picture/result
- The connection between Antiquity and Middle Ages; finds pointing to the existence of communication between different communities.

There will be no registration fee, organizers will provide food/refreshments.

We kindly ask you to confirm your attendance to email iozanic@iarh.hr as soon as possible and to provide us with a summary until 1st of July, 2022.

Organization: Institute of archaeology, project LIFE ON THE ROMAN ROAD:
communications, trade and identities on Roman roads in Croatia from 1st – 8th CE

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