

Dear Colleagues,

We invite you to participate in the International Session: *Reading bifaces*. *Different approaches to technological analyses of bifacial tools* to be held in Warsaw, Poland from 11 to 13 December 2019. The session is a part of the International Conference "The Past Has a Future!" celebrating the 100 years of archaeology at the University of Warsaw.

The session aims at focusing on the new possibilities and approaches in analysing bifacial tools. Recently several different technologically focused methods have been widely used to analyzing bifacial tools such as working step/scar pattern analysis, refittings, geometric-morphometric, etc. Due to the lack of standardization and rapid independent development, several distinct approaches have appeared. The aim of the session is to discuss those distinct approaches among researchers from Eastern, Central, and Western Europe as well as other parts of the World. Papers about new ideas, possibilities, and methods, as well as methods testing and negative results and problematic issues are invited. The papers showing the application of the new concepts into archaeological assemblages are also welcome.

Institute of Archaeology, University of Warsaw is recently involved in a project of testing the working step analysis method. The participants of the session, who would be willing to take part in testing the accuracy of the method, are welcome to take part in the experimental session help on the second day of the session on the 12^{ve} of December.

Language:

The official language for the conference is English.

Format of the sessions:

Oral contributions. Duration of the oral contributions will be 15 minutes, followed by 5 minutes discussion.

Publication of the conference papers:

We intend to publish selected talks in a peer-reviewed journal.

Deadline for registration and submitting abstracts:

30th of September 2019



Program

11th of December

Scientific session

12ve of December

Experimental session/testing the method (optional)

Studying Jerzmanowician bifacial leafpoints from Nietoperzowa Cave and bifaces from Zwierzyniec (optional)

13th of December

Visiting the State Archaeological Museum storages and studying bifacial tools from Ciemna cave, Okiennik rock shelter (optional)

Registration fees:

There is NO conference fee planned. The organizers cover:

- The accommodation cost of the participants,
- Catering during the conference.

The participants willing to take part in the experimental session will receive additional gratification on the basis of legal agreement.

Accommodation:

The organisers will cover the accommodation cost during the session in one of the hotels in the vicinity of the University.

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REGISTRATION FORM



Reading bifaces. Different approaches to technological analyses of bifacial stone tools.

Institute of Archaeology, University of Warsaw 11th of December, 2019

First name: Family name:	
Affiliation:	
Address:	
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Title of the presentation:	
Authors:	
Abstract (max. 300 words) Any special request:	
1 st Day of Session (11 th of December)	YES/NO
2 nd Day of Session (12 ^{ve} of December)	YES/NO
3 rd Day of Session (13 th of December)	YES/NO