"Excentric Perspectives on the 12<sup>th</sup> Dynasty. A View from Mersa/Wadi Gawasis"

The presentation will provide a general overview on the results of the ongoing research activities at Mersa/Wadi Gawasis, the Middle Kingdom harbor to the land of Punt, and other sites in the region around it. Insights into the organization and management of the maritime expeditions as well as on the regions involved in the Middle Bronze Age Red Sea interaction networks will be provided. In the meantime, it will be shown how the investigations in such an apparently marginal site are considerably enriching and changing our perspective on Middle Kingdom Egypt.

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