



7th International Conference of the Dakhleh Oasis Project
New Developments in the Archaeology of the Egyptian
Western Desert and its Oases
Leiden University, 20 – 24 June, 2012

PRELIMINARY PROGRAMME, DD. 20 April 2012

Wednesday 20 June 2012

- 09.30 – 11.30 Registration in the foyer of the Lipsius Building (Cleveringaplaats 1)
11.30 – 12.00 Opening address by Prof.Dr. Simone BUITENDIJK, Vice-Rector
Magnificus of Leiden University and Prof.Dr. Maghiel VAN CREVEL,
Academic Director of the Institute for Area Studies.
12.00 – 12.25 Olaf KAPER (Universiteit Leiden), New evidence from Amheida of the
Old and Middle Kingdoms
12.25 – 12.50 Laure PANTALACCI (Université Lumière-Lyon 2), Textiles and baskets
in Balat at the end of the Old Kingdom
12.50 – 14.00 break
14.00 – 14.25 Amy PETTMAN (Monash University, Melbourne), The Date of the Old
Kingdom Watch-Post sites of Dakhleh Oasis (read by C.A. HOPE)
14.25 – 14.50 Valérie LE PROVOST (IFAO, Cairo), Ceramic studies in Ayn Asil from
the end of the Old Kingdom to the beginning of the Middle Kingdom
14.50 – 15.15 Clara JEUTHE, A workshop from the First Intermediate Period at Ayn
Asil
15.15 – 15.45 tea break
15.45 – 16.10 Frank FÖRSTER (University of Cologne), From Dakhla via Jebel
Ouenat to Yam (or vice versa)? The *status quo* of the research on the
Abu Ballas Trail and its *raison d'être*
16.10 – 16.35 Debbie DARNELL (Yale University), A “sherd’s-eye view” of the
changing relationship between Kharga Oasis and the Upper Egyptian
Nile Valley during the pharaonic period
16.35 – 17.00 John COLEMAN DARNELL (Yale University), Recent work at Umm
Mawagir in Kharga Oasis
17.00 – 17.15 short break
17.15 – 17.40 Colleen MANASSA (Yale University), Ceramics at Umm Mawagir,
Kharga Oasis: Fabrics, forms, and regional affiliations
17.40 – 18.05 Coralie GRADEL (Direction des Antiquités du Soudan), F. JESSE, and F.
DERRIEN, An archaeological and ecological Survey between Selima,

Laqiyat Arbaïn and Laqiyat Umran, three oases on the Darb el-Arbain (North Sudan): first results

18.05 – 18.30 Celine BEAUCHAMP, Excavations at Ain el-Gazzareen

20.00 – 22.00 Opening of a special exhibition *Colours of the Oasis* at the National Museum of Antiquities (RMO).

Thursday 21 June 2012, 2nd day

09.30 – 09.55 Frédéric COLIN (Université de Strasbourg), and Catherine DUVETTE (idem) and Bruno GAVAZZI (idem), Qasr Allam, exploration d'un domaine rural oasien (VIIIe/VIIe siècle)

09.55 – 10.20 Jean-Paul BRAVARD (Université Lumière-Lyon 2) and ASHRAF A. MOSTAFA, R. GARCIER and G. TALLET, An irrigated playa as an environmental and historical archive in El Deir, Kharga Oasis

10.20 – 10.45 Albert HALDEMANN (European Space Agency), and G.R. OSINSKI, J.R. SMITH, M.R. KLEINDIENST, H.P. SCHWARCZ, P.R. RENNE, J.M. KIENIEWICZ, and C.S. CHURCHER, Dakhleh Glass: When the sky fell on the oasis

10.45 – 11.30 coffee break

11.30 – 11.55 Ewa KUCIEWICZ (Jagiellonian University, Kraków), Mysterious 'goddesses' of the Dakhleh Oasis rock art

11.55 – 12.20 Lenka SUKOVA (Charles University in Prague), The 'social life' of Neolithic figurines

12.20 – 12.45 Heiko RIEMER (University of Cologne), Wadi Sura 2011: New data on rock art and context archaeology in the Gilf Kebir (SW Egypt)

12.45 – 14.00 break

Parallel afternoon sessions I:

14.00 – 14.25 Maxine KLEINDIENST (University of Toronto), What is 'Khargan'? Preconceptions and disbelief

14.25 – 14.50 Marcia WISEMAN (University of Toronto at Scarborough / Royal Ontario Museum), The Khargan Complex: A Retrospective from Dakhleh and Kharga, 1993--2011

14.50 – 15.15 Stefan KRÖPELIN (University of Cologne), Frank FÖRSTER and Heiko RIEMER, Predynastic links between Dakhleh and Dongola (Sudan) areas

15.15 – 15.45 tea break

15.45 – 16.10 Annelies KOOPMAN (Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam), Lake dynamics and human occupation during early and mid-Holocene, Fayum Basin, Egypt

16.10 – 16.35 Mary M.A. McDONALD (University of Calgary), The Northeastern African mid-Holocene projectile point corpus: implications concerning the source and nature of the local Neolithic

16.35 – 17.00 Giuseppina MUTRI (University of Cambridge), Microlithic-based technology from the Early Holocene of Hidden Valley Plateau, Farafra, Egypt

17.00 – 17.10 short break

17.10 – 17.35 Tiphaine DACHY (Université de Toulouse Le Mirail) and Michel WUTTMANN (IFAO), New data on Holocene occupation in the Kharga Oasis

17.35 – 18.00 Paweł POLKOWSKI (Poznań Archaeological Museum), Places and spaces: Rock art in the Dakhleh Oasis

18.00 – 18.25 Eliza JARONI, On rock art in Dakhleh Oasis

Parallel afternoon sessions II:

- 14.00 – 14.25 Nicola ARAVECCHIA (New York University), A church at Amheida
14.25 – 14.50 Gillian BOWEN (Monash University, Melbourne), The church at Mut el-Kharab
14.50 – 15.15 Victor GHICA (Macquarie University, Sydney), What do we know about Christianity in Bahriyya Oasis?
15.15 – 15.45 tea break
15.45 – 16.10 Iain GARDNER (University of Sydney), Coptic documentary texts from ancient Kellis
16.10 – 16.35 Mattias BRAND (Leiden University), The Manichaean ritual meal in Kellis
16.35 – 17.00 Fred LEEMHUIS (University of Groningen), The geographical description of Dakhleh by Ibn Duqmaq
17.00 – 17.10 short break
17.10 – 17.35 RIZQ ABDELHAY (Ministry of State for Antiquities, Dakhleh Oasis), Restoring the houses of El-Qasr Dakhleh
17.35 – 18.00 Ruud PETERS (University of Amsterdam), Water management and irrigation in Ottoman al-Qasr
18.00 – 18.25 Alexander FODOR (Eötvös Loránd University, Budapest), An Arabic Amulet Scroll from El-Qasr Dakhleh

Friday 22 June 2012, 3rd day

- 09.00 – 09.25 HANAA SHAWKI (Ministry of State for Antiquities, Dakhleh Oasis), Conservation and restoration work at Hibis temple, Kharga, and Muzawwaqa tombs, Dakhleh
09.25 – 09.50 Colin HOPE (Monash University), The Oases in the New Kingdom: new data from the excavations at Mut el-Kharab
09.55 – 10.20 Roberto BUONGARZONE (University of Viterbo), Some considerations regarding burial typologies in Farafra Oasis in historical times
10.20 – 10.55 Michel WUTTMANN (IFAO, Cairo), The development of agriculture during the 5th century BC in southern Kharga Oasis
10.55 – 11.30 coffee break
11.30 – 11.55 Stefano DE ANGELI (University of Tuscia, Viterbo), Qanat landscapes: The use of draining water systems in Farafra oasis
11.55 – 12.20 SABRI YOUSSEF (Ministry of State for Antiquities, Dakhleh Oasis), Qanats in Dakhleh Oasis
12.20 – 12.45 James GILL (Monash University, Melbourne), Ptolemaic activity in Dakhleh Oasis
12.45 – 19.00 lunch and afternoon excursion by coach to The Hague

Saturday 23 June 2012, 4th day

- 09.00 – 09.25 Roger BAGNALL (New York University), Greek texts from recent excavations at Amheida
09.25 – 09.50 Alette BAKKERS (Leiden University), *Hydreumata* in the Egyptian Western Desert
09.55 – 10.20 MAHER BASHENDI (Ministry of State for Antiquities, Dakhleh Oasis), Stone tomb furnishings at Bir Shaghala
10.20 – 10.45 BAHGAT AHMED (Ministry of State for Antiquities, Kharga Oasis), Françoise DUNAND (Strasbourg University), and Roger LICHTENBERG (Strasbourg University), The necropolis at Dabashiya: a first glance
10.45 – 11.30 coffee break
11.30 – 11.55 Tosha DUPRAS (University of Central Florida) and S. WHEELER, L. WILLIAMS, and P. SHELDRIK, Timing and process of birth in Kellis 2 cemetery

- 11.55 – 12.20 Lana WILLIAMS (University of Central Florida) and T. DUPRAS, S. WHEELER, P. SHELDRIK, A woman's richest ornament: Hair analyses from the Kellis 2 cemetery
- 12.20 – 12.45 Stéphanie GUÉDON (Université de Limoges), Some remarks about travel between Dakhleh and Kharga during Roman times
- 12.45 – 14.00 break
- 14.00 – 14.25 TAMER RAMADAN (Egyptian Environmental Affairs Agency, Dakhleh Oasis), Recent restoration work on the Kellis mammisi paintings and a technical study into its colours
- 14.25 – 14.50 Elizabeth BETTLES, Towards an understanding of colour-use in the mammisi of Kellis: insights regarding a scene with the Seven Hathors
- 14.50 – 15.15 Kyra VAN DER MOEZEL (Universiteit Leiden), Caught at Kellis: The prisoners' scenes in the mammisi of Tutu
- 15.15 – 15.45 tea break
- 15.45 – 16.10 Carina VAN DEN HOVEN (Universiteit Leiden / École Pratique des Hautes Études), The sacred falcon of Dakhleh Oasis
- 16.10 – 16.35 Christian LOEBEN (Museum August Kestner, Hannover), Curious slots in the back wall of Deir el-Hagar Temple - reconstructing their purposes
- 16.35 – 17.00 Fleur LETELLIER-WILLEMEN (Université de Limoges), The Shrouds of El-Deir (Kharga Oasis): an economic and social insight into an ancient oasis community across a millennium
- 17.00 – 17.10 short break
- 17.10 – 17.35 Tomasz HERBICH (Institute of Archaeology & Ethnology Polish Academy of Sciences), Resistance and magnetic surveying of Ayn Birbiyeh
- 17.35 – 18.00 Adam ZIELINSKI and Laurence BLONDAUX, Extraction of stone in ancient Dakhleh: A Case study of the Mut Quarries
- 18.00 – 18.25 Günter VITTMANN (Universität Würzburg), Hieratic ostraca from Mut el-Kharab

19.30 Gala dinner

Sunday 24 June 2012, 5th day

- 09.00 – 09.25 Paola DAVOLI (Università del Salento, Lecce), A public bath in Roman Trimithis (Amheida, Dakhla Oasis)
- 09.25 – 09.50 Paul KUCERA (Dr Vincent Clark & Associates), Tom CHANDLER (Monash University) and Nils GLEISSENBERGER, Excavating a pixelated past: 3D animation of a late Roman fort
- 09.55 – 10.20 Delphine LAURITZEN (Università di Bologna), Prolegomena to the publication of painted plasters in Amheida
- 10.20 – 10.45 Dorothea SCHULZ, The new villa of Serenus: the colours of the desert
- 10.45 – 11.30 coffee break
- 11.30 – 11.55 Gaëlle TALLET (Université de Limoges) and Damien AGUT-LABORDÈRE (Collège de France), Oil, wine, cotton: High added value production in the Great Oasis from the Persian to the Roman Period
- 11.55 – 12.20 René CAPPERS (NINO / University of Groningen / Leiden University), Modelling the selection of wheat in ancient Egypt
- 12.20 – 12.45 Salima IKRAM (American University in Cairo) and Nikos LAZARIDIS (California State University), Stories of lonely rocks: New epigraphic and archaeological material from North Kharga
- 12.45 – 14.00 break

- 14.00 – 14.25 Helen WHITEHOUSE (The Oriental Institute, University of Oxford), The Drawings on the Wall – Banksy et al. in the Dakhleh Oasis?
- 14.25 – 14.50 Rodney AST (University of Heidelberg), The *kastra* of Trimitis and Amheida's Building 6
- 14.50 – 15.15 Stefano FINOCCHI (University of Tuscia, Viterbo) and Salvatore MEDAGLIA (University of Calabria), Topography and settlement dynamics in Farafra oasis in the Roman period and Late Antiquity (read by R. BUONGARZONE)
- 15.15 – 15.30 short break
- 15.30 – 15.55 Katie ADELSBERGER (Knox College, Galesburg), Spring mound geoarchaeology in Dakhleh Oasis
- 15.55 – 16.15 Jiří MUSIL (Charles University, Prague), Die Besiedlung der Oase el-Hayez in der Römerzeit
- 16.15 – 17.00 closing session: reports on the four workshops and conclusions

Poster presentations:

- Pam CRABTREE (New York University), *Zooarchaeology of Amheida and Ain el-Gedida*
- Amanda GROFF (University of Central Florida) and Lana Williams (idem), *Seasonality of Energy Expended During Grave Construction at the Kellis 2 Cemetery, Dakhleh Oasis, Egypt*
- Linda HULIN (University of Oxford), *The survey of the Libyan coast east of Tobruk*
- Stanislava KUČOVÁ (Charles University, Prague), *Roman Transport Amphorae in El Hayez Oasis*
- ASHRAF A. MOSTAFA (Assiut university, Department of Geography), *Mega corridors (giant flutes) of The Western Desert of Egypt: morphology, origin, and its history role*
- Dorothea SCHULZ and Martin HENSE, *The Villa of Serenus Project at Amheida*
- Lana WILLIAMS (University of Central Florida), T. DUPRAS, S. WHEELER, and P. SHELDRIK, *Unusual Modes of (Re)Production: The Seasonal Birthing Cycle of Women from Kellis 2 Cemetery, Dakhleh Oasis, Egypt*

Please note that registration for attendance is compulsory, and should be done via the website www.dakhleh.nl. Seats are limited and are distributed on a first come, first served basis.



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