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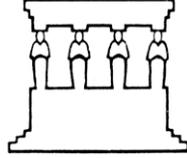
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*The Archaeology of Euboea
from Prehistoric to Byzantine Times*

**International Scientific Conference
Eretria, July 12-14, 2013**



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CALL FOR PAPERS

For the International Scientific Conference:

AN ISLAND BETWEEN TWO WORLDS: THE ARCHAEOLOGY OF EUBOEA FROM PREHISTORIC TO BYZANTINE TIMES

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The Norwegian Institute at Athens in collaboration with the 11th Ephorate of Prehistoric and Classical Antiquities and the 23rd Ephorate for Byzantine Antiquities of the Hellenic Ministry of Education, Religious Affairs, Culture, and Sports invites interested colleagues working on Euboea or whose research is in some way connected to this island to participate in the first conference on the archaeology of Euboea, entitled: “An Island between Two Worlds: The Archaeology of Euboea from Prehistoric to Byzantine Times.” The conference will take place over the period of three consecutive days in Eretria in July of 2013.

Euboea, the second largest Aegean island and the island closest to the Greek mainland, has always had a dual identity as it is considered both an island and a part of the mainland, in geographical and cultural terms. From one end to the other, Euboea also connects southern and northern Greece, the Cyclades and Thessaly. This dual identity, based as much in history as in geography, persisted through millennia of Euboea’s past and, in combination with Euboea’s position along the many Aegean sea-routes, produced an archaeological record that merges features from both the Greek mainland and the insular world of the Aegean.

Despite dedicated work of generations of Greek and international scholars, the archaeology of Euboea was rarely in the spotlight. Most of the time it was treated as an offshoot of mainland or Cycladic developments. This conference has the ambitious objective of changing that perspective by showcasing the past and current work of archaeologists studying Euboea as well as to present some recent developments in the archaeology of this important island. Our goal is not only to discuss Euboea’s past but also to connect it to contemporary developments elsewhere in the Aegean. In that way, we aim to put the island of Euboea in its rightfully important place in the scientific efforts to understand the past of this part of the Mediterranean.

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION

All paper abstracts must be submitted electronically in either Microsoft Word (.doc or .docx) or Adobe PDF (.pdf) format and accompanied by a cover letter/email stating the name, institutional affiliation, and the preferred contact information (email) of the applicant. The languages acceptable for abstract submissions and paper presentations are English and Greek. The abstract submission deadline is **December 15, 2012**. The abstracts and all inquiries should be sent to the conference email address at: contact.euboeaconference@norwinst.gr.

CONFERENCE FORMAT

The format of the conference is paper-and-PowerPoint podium presentations. The conference will take place in Eretria. The organizers are working on securing funding options for accepted conference presenters. The presentations will be divided into sessions at the discretion of the Organizing Committee. We intend to publish the proceedings of the conference. We particularly invite colleagues to submit papers on the following general conference themes or the combination thereof, but we also welcome any papers connected to the archaeology of Euboea:

- History of archaeological research on Euboea
- Euboea between the mainland and the islands
- The first Euboeans: evidence for Palaeolithic and Neolithic habitation in Euboea
- In the middle of the wine-dark sea: Euboea and maritime interactions during the Aegean Bronze Age
- From core to periphery: Euboea from Geometric to Hellenistic times
- Times of trouble or prosperity? Euboea during Roman and early Byzantine times
- Between east and west: the archaeology of Byzantine, crusader, and Venetian Euboea
- Problems and solutions: future directions of archaeological research on Euboea
- The past as the driving force of the future: Euboean cultural heritage and tourism
- Difficult issues and simple solutions: supporting and funding archaeological research and cultural heritage protection on Euboea

Sincerely,

Conference Organizing Committee