Der Mitteldeutsche Archäologentag

wird jährlich vom Landesamt für Denkmalpflege und Archäologie Sachsen-Anhalt veranstaltet. Die internationale Tagung greift jeweils eine ausgewählte archäologische Thematik auf, um ausgehend von Funden oder Befunden Mitteldeutschlands im interdisziplinären Diskurs neue Erkenntnisse zu gewinnen.
Im Mittelpunkt des diesjährigen Kongresses steht die Geschichte von (Be)Kleidung in der Steinzeit, die über direkte und indirekte Belege in ihrer evolutionären und sozialen Bedeutung betrachtet wird. Ausgehend von frühen Belegen von Bekleidung bzw. deren Herstellung wie den Funden der Bestattung der Schamanin von Bad Dürrenberg in Sachsen-Anhalt sowie weiteren nationalen und internationalen Befunden sollen auf der Tagung verschiedene Aspekte der Geschichte der Bekleidung in der Steinzeit diskutiert werden. Die adressierten Themen reichen von der Notwendigkeit bis hin zu sozialen Dimensionen der Bekleidung.

The Archaeological Conference of Central Germany

is held every year by the State Office for Heritage Management and Archaeology Saxony-Anhalt. Taking an interdisciplinary approach, the aim of the international conference is to gain new insight on a specially selected subject by studying finds and features from Central Germany and beyond.
This year's conference is devoted to the history of Stone Age clothing and examines its evolutionary and social significance using both direct and indirect evidence. Based on early evidence of clothes and their manufacture such as the finds from the burial of a female shaman from Bad Dürrenberg in Saxony-Anhalt as well as other features from Germany and abroad, conference participants will discuss various aspects of the history of clothing in the Stone Age.
Various topics will be addressed, ranging from clothing as a necessity to their social dimension.

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17th Archaeological Conference of Central Germany

A Stone Age History of Clothing

Zur Geschichte der Kleidung in der Steinzeit

26 to 28 September 2024
International Conference in Halle (Saale)

PROGRAM

THURSDAY, 26. SEPTEMBER 2024

Registration from 09.00

9.45–10.00 Harald Meller (Halle [Saale]/DE)/Olaf Jöris (Mainz and Neuwied/DE)/Oliver Dietrich (Halle [Saale]/DE)/ Roberto Risch (Barcelona/ES)
Welcoming

10.00–10.15 Olaf Jöris (Mainz and Neuwied/DE)
Conference »Table of Contents«: The Multiple Dimensions of Clothing and Body Ornamentation in a Stone Age Perspective

From Possibilism and Imagination to Science and Perception

10.15–10.30 (+5) Pauline Coste (Paris/FR)
Clothing or Nakedness in »Scientific« Reconstructions of Prehistoric Humans from the Nineteenth Century to the Present: Based on Pure Hypotheses or Archaeological Evidence?

10.35–10.50 (+5) Karina Grömer/Kayleigh Saunderson/ Lukas Dobler (all Vienna/AT)
Clothes Worn by Prehistoric Societies in Popular Media (Period Films, Comics, and Games)

10.55–11.30 Coffee Break

Clothing and Body Ornamentation in Stone Age Artistic Depictions

11.30–11.45 (+5) Olaf Jöris (Mainz and Neuwied/DE)
Evidence for Clothing in Palaeolithic Art: An Overview

11.50–12.05 (+5) Olaf Jöris (Mainz and Neuwied/DE)
The Case of Palaeolithic Figurines as a Historical Source for Clothing, Hairstyle, and Body Ornamentation

12.10–12.25 (+5) Christina Marangou (Athens/GR)
Appearance and Perceptions of Neolithic Figurines, Covered, Nude, or otherwise

12.30–14.30 Lunch Break

14.30–14.45 (+5) Oliver Dietrich (Halle [Saale]/DE)
Cloak, Belt, and Loincloth. 10th–9th Millennium BC Depictions of Clothing from Göbekli Tepe and other Upper Mesopotamian Sites

14.50–15.05 (+5) Simon Kaner (Norwich/GB)
Wrapping the Stone Age Body: Clothing Jōmon dogū Ceramic Figures from the Prehistoric Japanese Archipelago

15.10–15.20 Short Break

Human Bodily Conditions: Phylogenetic and Environmental Adoptive Benefits of Clothing

15.20–15.35 (+5) Cristina de Guzman Strong (Detroit/US)
Evolution of the Human Skin Barrier as Innovative Clothing

15.40–15.55 (+5) Andrew Kitchen (Iowa/US)
The Evolutionary Context of Clothing: Implications from the Evolution of Human Lice

Chronological Overview

16.00–16.15 (+5) Mark Collard (Burnaby/CA)
Did Neanderthals and Early Modern Humans Dress Differently?

16.20–16.50 Coffee Break

16.50–17.05 (+5) Sibylle Wolf/Nicholas J. Conard (both Tübingen/DE)
Fashion Trends, Sewing, and Body Ornamentation in the Upper Palaeolithic of Southwestern Germany

17.10–17.25 (+5) Ulla Mannering (Copenhagen/DK)
The Danish Stone Age Cloth Culture

17.30–17.45 (+5) Albert Hafner (Bern/CH)
Neolithic Clothing Discoveries: Waterlogged Finds from Alpine Submerged and Glacial Sites

17.50–18.00 Short Break

18.00–19.00 **ARTE-Documentary »Ladies and Princes of Prehistory« (2021) with Introduction by Pauline Coste (Paris/FR)**

FRIDAY, 27. SEPTEMBER 2024

Materials and Technologies

9.00–9.15 (+5) Ivo Verheijen (Schöningen/DE)
Exploitation of Carnivores for Clothing: Evidence of Carnivore Skinning from the Lower to the Upper Palaeolithic of Europe

9.20–9.35 (+5) Joao Marreiros (Neuwied/DE)
Micro-Evidence of Animal Hide Working in the Archaeological Record: A Perspective from Lithic Use-Wear Analysis

9.40–9.55 (+5) Veerle Rots/Sonja Tomasso/Dries Cnuts (all Liège/BE)
Functional Approaches to Understand Plant Processing and Fibre Technology in the Paleolithic

10.00–10.30 Coffee Break

10.30–10.45 (+5) María Isabel Borao Álvarez (Valencia/ES)
The Palaeolithic Origins of Sewing Technologies

10.50–11.05 (+5) Liliana Janik (Cambridge/GB)
Weaving as an Everyday Seasonal Activity of Upper Palaeolithic Communities in Central Europe and the Russian Plain

11.10–11.25 (+5) Francisco Martinez-Sevilla/Maria Herrero Otal/Raquel Piqué (all Madrid/ES)
Baskets, Cords, and Footwear as the Most Extensive and Diverse Record of the Last Hunter-gatherers and First Farmers Fibre-Based Technologies in Southern Europe: The Cueva de los Murciélagos Site (Albuñol, Granada)

11.30–11.45 Short Break

11:45–12.00 (+5) Susanne Friederich (Halle [Saale]/DE)
Flax–From Cultivation to Further Processing

12.05–12.15 (+5) Florian Klimscha (Hanover/DE)
Earliest Cotton Production

12.20–12.35 (+5) Martha Görlitz (Wilhelmshaven/DE)
Old Spindle Whorls–New Yarn. Series of Tests on the Functionality of Different Types of Whorls in Practical Use Based on the Case Study of Feddersen Wierde, Cuxhaven District

12.40–14.20 Lunch Break

Social Signaling and the Socio-Psychological Underpinnings of Clothing

14:20–14.35 (+5) Thomas Junker (Tübingen/DE)
Clothing and the Evolutionary Meaning of Shame

14:40–14.55 (+5) Mark Collard (Burnaby/CA)
Patterns of Clothing Use in the Ethnohistoric Period

How to Enter Afterlife: The Burial Evidence for Stone Age Clothing

15.00–15.15 (+5) Marian Vanhaeren (Bordeaux/FR)
Reconstruction of Clothing Based on the Distribution of Personal Ornaments in Palaeolithic and Mesolithic Burials

15: 20–15.50 Coffee Break

15.50–16.05 (+5) Nadezhda Kotova (Kyiv/UA)
Elements of Funeral Clothing of the Neolithic Population of the Northern Black Sea Region and their Social Aspect

16.10–16.25 (+5) Anabel Ortiz (Barcelona/ES)
Wrapped and Clothed Bodies at Tell Halula: Unveiling the Role of Fabrics and Basketwork in Funerary Practices among Early Farming Communities in the Near East

16.30–16.45 (+5) Susanne Friederich (Halle [Saale]/DE)
Bags and Blankets of the Corded Ware Culture

16.50–17.50 Coffee Break

18.00 **Greetings form the Rector of the Martin-Luther-Universität Halle Wittenberg, Prof. Dr. Claudia Becker**

18.15–19.15 Keynote Lecture Karina Grömer (Vienna/AT)
Clothing, Messages, and Identity: Theoretical and Methodological Approaches on Clothing in Central European Prehistory

From 20.15 Reception at the State Museum of Prehistory, Richard-Wagner-Str. 9, 06114 Halle (Saale)

SATURDAY, 28. SEPTEMBER 2024

Social Differentiation in Burial Contexts

9.00–9.15 (+5) Pauline Coste (Paris/FR)/Giacomo Giacobini (Torino/IT)
Richness and Diversity of Burial Rituals in the Gravettian Period and their Potential for Clothing Reconstructions in Documentaries

09.20–09.35 (+5) Thorsten Uthmeier (Erlangen/DE)
Differences in Social Status Expressed in Palaeolithic and Mesolithic Burials?

09.40–09.55 (+5) João Zilhão (Lisboa/PT)
The Lagar Velho Child Burial Twenty-five Years on: The New Evidence and its Implications

10.00–10.30 Coffee Break

10.30–10.45 (+5) Susanna Harris (Glasgow/GB)
Sensible Cloth of the Mesolithic

10.50–11.05 (+5) Kristiina Mannermaa/Riitta Rainio (both Helsinki/FI)
Animals as Providers of Identities and Sound

11.10–11.25 (+5) Tuija Kirkinen (Helsinki/FI)
Microscopic Feather Fragments in Mesolithic Burials

11.30–13:00 Lunch Break

13.00–13.15 (+5) Harald Meller/Jörg Orschiedt (both Halle [Saale]/DE)
Professionally Dressed–The Bad Dürrenberg Shaman Burial

13.20–13.35 (+5) Annelou van Gijn (Leiden/NL)
A Toolkit for Basketry: Microwear Analysis of the Bone Tools from the Bad Dürrenberg Grave

13.40–13.55 (+5) Peter Vang Petersen (Copenhagen/DK)
Tooth and Amber Amulets–Magic Elements of Clothing in Danish Stone Age Burials

From 14.00 Harald Meller/Olaf Jöris/Oliver Dietrich/Roberto Risch
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