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International Syrian Congress on Archaeology and Cultural Heritage

## **PROGRAM**

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## **Introduction: Welcome to ISCACH, Beirut 2015**

On behalf of the Organizing Committee, the Japanese Society for West Asian Archaeology and the Lebanese Archaeological Missions worked in Syria welcome all with an interest in archaeology and cultural heritage to the **International Syrian Congress on Archaeology and Cultural Heritage**, Beirut, 3-6 December 2015.

Three years ago, archaeological research in Syria came to an abrupt halt. In the years since we have heard countless alarming reports of damage to and the destruction of archaeological sites and cultural artefacts – mindless acts which rob humanity forever of vast swathes of history and knowledge.

Numerous international organizations and academic institutions have organized conferences, symposiums and workshops dedicated to the preservation of those cultural assets that are currently endangered or lamenting those now wholly lost.

In contrast, few academic gatherings have focused on what has most recently been found and recorded: namely, the results of fieldwork carried out immediately prior to the present conflagration.

With numerous archaeological sites and aspects of cultural heritage the subject of study by both Syrian and international scholars in the years leading up to 2011, we believe it both timely and desirable to now share those results among both the scientific community and the general public.

The Organizing Committee

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## **Organizing Committee**

Prof. Dr. Jeanine Abdul Massih (Director of Archaeological Mission to Cyrrhus): Lebanese University,

Prof. Kiyohide Saito (Director of Archaeological Mission to Palmyra): President, the Japanese Society for West Asian Archaeology,

Prof. Dr. Akira Tsuneki (Director of Archaeological Mission to Tell el-Kerkh): University of Tsukuba,

Dr. Shin'ichi Nishiyama: Chubu University.

## Program Summary

| Thursday 3rd December            |                                 | Friday 4th December               |                        | Saturday 5th December                |                           | Sunday 6th December             |  |
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| 08.30-09.00                      | Welcoming Participants          | Homs Session / R. Pierobon Benoit |                        | Hasake Session 2 / M. al-Maqdissi    |                           | Deir ez-Zor Session /G. Bunnens |  |
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|                                  | Palmyra Session / M. Abdulkarim | 09.40-10.00                       | Dorota Wojtczak        | 09.40-10.00                          | Shigeo Yamada             | 09.40-10.00                     | Yaarob Alabdullah  |
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| 10.20-10.40                      | Tomasz Waliszewski              | 10.20-10.40                       | Ayham al Fakhri        | 10.20-10.40                          | Johnny Baldi              | 10.20-10.40                     | Yaser Yusef  |
| 10:40 - 11:10 Coffee Break       |                                 |                                   |                        |                                      |                           | 10.40-11.00                     | Balazs Major   |
| Idlib Session / J.M. Le Tensorer |                                 | Hama Session / P. Bieliński       |                        | Damascus Session / D. Sack           |                           | 11:00 - 11:30 Coffee Break      |  |
| 11.10-11.30                      | Maamoun Abdulkarim              | 11.10-11.30                       | Karin Bartl            | 11.10-11.30                          | Ahmad Taraqji             | 11.30-13.00                     | Special Session: Thinking Future of Syrian Cultural Heritage |
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| 12.30-12.50                      | Stefania Mazzoni                | 12.30-12.50                       | Cancelled              | 12.30-12.50                          | Edmond El-Ajji            |                                 |  |
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| 13.10-13.30                      | POSTER PRESENTATION             | 13.10-13.30                       | Abdel Wahab Abou Saleh | 13.10-13.30                          | POSTER PRESENTATION       |                                 |  |
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| 14.30-14.50                      | Cancelled                       | 14.30-14.50                       | Heather Jackson        | 14.30-14.50                          | Pierre-Marie Blanc        |                                 |  |
| 14.50-15.10                      | Dominik Bonatz                  | 14.50-15.10                       | Jeanine Abdul Massih   | 14.50-15.10                          | Frank Braemer             |                                 |  |
| 15.30-15.50                      | Piotr Bieliński                 | 15.30-15.50                       | Ammar Abdulrahman      | 15.30-15.50                          | Ahmed Dyab                |                                 |  |
| 15.50-16.10                      | Mohamad Fakhro                  | 15.50-16.10                       | Justine Gaborit        | 15.50-16.10                          | Qasem al-Muhammad         |                                 |  |
| 16.10-16.30                      | Samer Abdel Ghafour             | 16.10-16.30                       | Marie-Odile Rousset    | 16.10-16.30                          | Ghazi Alolo               |                                 |  |
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| Aleppo Session 1/ K. Bartl       |                                 | Latakia Session 1/ S. Mazzoni     |                        | Damascus Region Session / V. Matoian |                           |                                 |  |
| 16.50-17.10                      | Takeru Akazawa                  | 16.50-17.10                       | Michel al-Maqdissi     | 16.50-17.10                          | Mahmud Hamud              |                                 |  |
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|                                  |                                 | 18.10-18.30                       | Khozama al-Bahloul     |                                      |                           |                                 |  |
| 20:00                            | WELCOMING INVITATION DINNER     |                                   |                        |                                      |                           |                                 |  |

| <b>Thursday 3rd December</b>      |  |
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| 08.30-09.00                       | <b>Welcoming Participants</b>  |
| 09.00-09.30                       | <b>Opening Session</b>   |
|                                   | <b>Official speeches (TBA)</b>   |
|                                   | <b>Palmyra Session / Chair: M. Abdulkarim</b>  |
| 09.40-10.00                       | Kiyohide Saito<br>Archeological Institute of Kashihara, Nara (Japan)<br><i>Japanese Archaeological Works in Palmyra from 1990 to 2010</i>  |
| 10.00-10.20                       | Grzegorz Majcherek<br>Polish Center of Mediterranean Archaeology, University of Warsaw (Poland)<br><i>Shaping an urban landscape: Church buildings in Palmyra</i>  |
| 10.20-10.40                       | Tomasz Waliszewski<br>Polish Center of Mediterranean Archaeology, University of Warsaw (Poland)<br><i>An olive oil for oasis. On some installations from Palmyra.</i>  |
| <b>10:40 - 11:10 Coffee Break</b> |  |
|                                   | <b>Idlib Session / Chair: J.-M. Le Tensorer</b>  |
| 11.10-11.30                       | Maamoun Abdulkarim / Gérard Charpentier<br>DGAMS, Damascus University (Syria) / CNRS, Université Lyon2, Maison de l'Orient et de la Méditerranée (France)<br><i>Archaeological and Architectural Studies in Northern Syria (Dead Cities), General presentation with three missions in, El Bâra and Ruweiha</i> |
| 11.30-11.50                       | Akira Tsuneki<br>University of Tsukuba (Japan)<br><i>Tell el-Kerkh: A Neolithic Mega Site in Idlib Province</i>  |
| 11.50-12.10                       | Paolo Matthiae<br>Sapienza University of Rome, Accademia Nazionale dei Lincei (Italy)<br><i>The Excavations at Tell Mardikh-Ebla in 2004-2010: The Temples of EB IVA-B and the Royal Citadel of MB I-II</i>  |
| 12.10-12.30                       | Francis Pinnock<br>Sapienza University of Rome (Italy)<br><i>The Archaeological Park of Ebla. A Long-Term Plan for the Site and its Region</i>   |
| 12.30-12.50                       | Stefania Mazzoni<br>Università di Firenze (Italy)<br><i>Tell Afis: Late Bronze and Iron Age (13th-7th cent. B.C.)</i>  |
| 12.50-13.10                       | Shin Nishiyama / Shigeo Wakita<br>Chubu University (Japan) / the Ancient Orient Museum, Tokyo (Japan)<br><i>Tell Mastuma, Idlib: Rise and fall of an Iron Age rural settlement in northwest Syria</i>  |
| 13.10-13.30                       | <b>POSTER PRESENTATION</b>   |
| <b>13:30 - 14:30 Lunch Break</b>  |  |

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|                                   | <b>Hasake Session 1/ Chair: P. Matthiae</b>  |
| 14.30-14.50                       | <b>Presentation Cancelled</b>  |
| 14.50-15.10                       | Dominique Bonatz<br>Freie Universität Berlin (Germany)<br><i>Tell Fekheriye/Ras el-Ain in Northeastern Syria: A Short Report on the Archaeological Site and its Neighboring Town Before and After the Political Crisis</i>   |
| 15.30-15.50                       | Piotr Bieliński<br>Polish Center of Mediterranean Archaeology, University of Warsaw (Poland)<br><i>IIIrd Millenium BC city on Tell Arbid - structure of a middle sized urban centre in the Jezireh</i>   |
| 15.50-16.10                       | Mohamad Fakhro<br>DGAMS (Syria)<br><i>Tell Halaf - Guzana - (excavation project 2006 - 2010)</i>   |
| 16.10-16.30                       | Giorgio Buccellati / Marilyn Kelly-Buccellati / Samer Abdel Ghafour<br>Cotsen Institute of Archaeology, University of California, Los Angeles and the International Institute for Mesopotamian Area Studies (USA) / DGAMS (Syria)<br><i>Urkish: Widening the chronological spectrum in the past and safeguarding the site for the future</i> |
| <b>16:30 - 16:50 Coffee Break</b> |  |
|                                   | <b>Aleppo Session 1/ Chair: K. Bartl</b>   |
| 16.50-17.10                       | Takeru Akazawa / Yoshihiro Nishiaki / Youssef Kanjou<br>Kochi University of Technology (Japan)/ the University of Tokyo(Japan) / DGAMS (Syria)<br><i>Dederiyeh Cave, Afrin</i>   |
| 17.10-17.30                       | Yousef Kanjou / Ryszard F. Mazurowski<br>DGAMS (Syria) / University of Warsaw (Poland)<br><i>The archaeological excavation at Tell Qaramel 1999 -2011, Aleppo, north Syria</i>   |
| 17.30-17.50                       | Serena Maria Cecchini<br>University of Bologna (Italy)<br><i>La dernière fouille à Arslan Tash</i>   |
| 17.50-18.10                       | Guy Bunnens<br>Université de Liège (Belgium)<br><i>Unfinished work at Tell Ahmar/Til Barsib</i>  |
| 20:00                             | <b>WELCOMING INVITATION DINNER</b>   |

| <b>Friday 4th December</b>        |  |
|-----------------------------------|--|
|                                   | <b>Homs Session / Chair: R. Pierobon Benoit</b>  |
| 09.00-09.20                       | Michel al-Maqqdissi<br>DGAMS (Syria)<br><i>Syrian Excavations in Mishirfeh-Qatna</i>   |
| 09.20-09.40                       | Jean-Marie Le Tensorer<br>University of Basel (Switzerland)<br><i>The Lower Palaeolithic of the El Kowm Area (Central Syrian) and the question of the first inhabitants of the Syrian Desert</i> |
| 09.40-10.00                       | Dorota Wojtczak<br>University of Basel (Switzerland)<br><i>The long Palaeolithic sequence of Hummal (Central Syria)</i>  |
|                                   | <b>Raqqa Session / Chair: G. Clarke</b>  |
| 10.00-10.20                       | Dorothee Sack / Martin Gussone<br>Technical University of Berlin (Germany)<br><i>Resafa, a multidisciplinary approach to reconstruct the development of the city</i>                             |
| 10.20-10.40                       | Ayham al-Fakhri<br>DGAMS (Syria)<br><i>Tell Hwejet Halaweh</i>   |
| <b>10:40 - 11:10 Coffee Break</b> |  |
|                                   | <b>Hama Session / Chair: P. Bieliński</b>  |
| 11.10-11.30                       | Karin Bartl<br>DAI (Germany)<br><i>Archaeological Investigations in the Hama Region</i>  |
| 11.30-11.50                       | Bernard Geyer / Frank Braemer<br>Maison de l'Orient et de la Méditerranée (France)<br><i>Palaeoenvironments and Settlement Patterns in Western Syria and Lebanon</i>                             |
| 11.50-12.10                       | Nazir Awad<br>DGAMS (Syria)<br><i>Al Rawda: A city dating to the third millennium on the edge of the Syrian Desert</i>   |
| 12.10-12.30                       | Mathilde Gelin / Shaker Al Shbib<br>CNRS-IFPO (France) / DGAM (Syria)<br><i>Qalaat al-Mudiq, citadel of Apamea: past and present</i>   |
| 12.30-12.50                       | <b>Presentation Cancelled</b>  |
| 12.50-13.10                       | Haytham Hassan<br>DGAMS (Syria)<br><i>Masyaf Castle</i>  |
| 13.10-13.30                       | Abdel Wahab Abou Saleh<br>DGAMS (Syria)<br><i>Tell Maksour</i>   |
| <b>13:30 - 14:30 Lunch Break</b>  |  |

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|                                   | <b>Aleppo Session 2/ Chair: TBA</b>   |
| 14.30-14.50                       | Heather Jackson<br>University of Melbourne (Australia)<br><i>A Commercial Area at Seleucid Jebel Khalid?</i>  |
| 14.50-15.10                       | Jeanine Abdul Massih<br>Lebanese University (Lebanon)<br><i>Results of 2006-2011 Research Program on the site of Cyrrhus.</i>   |
| 15.30-15.50                       | Ammar Abdulrahman<br>Damascus University (Syria)<br><i>Genders in the classical period</i>  |
| 15.50-16.10                       | Justine Gaborit<br>UMR 8167 Orient & Méditerranée (France)<br><i>New Evidences from Euphratésia : survey and excavation project in Hiérapolis area (Menbij) in the right bank of the middle Euphrates</i> |
| 16.10-16.30                       | Marie-Odile Rousset<br>CNRS - Lyon (France)<br><i>Qinnasrin / Chalcis main results of 2008-2010 archaeological work</i>   |
| <b>16:30 - 16:50 Coffee Break</b> |   |
|                                   | <b>Latakia Session 1/ Chair: S. Mazzoni</b>   |
| 16.50-17.10                       | Michel al-Maqdissi<br>DGAMS (Syria)<br><i>Syrian Excavations in Ras Ibn Hani (2011)</i>   |
| 17.10-17.30                       | Ahmad Deeb<br>DGAMS (Syria)<br>Results of the latest archaeological excavations in Tell Nahr Al-'Arab-Latakia   |
| 17.30-17.50                       | Leila Badre<br>Archaeological Museum, AUB (Lebanon)<br><i>Tell Kazel: Major Results</i>   |
| 17.50-18.10                       | Valérie Matoïan<br>Maison de l'Orient et de la Méditerranée (France)<br><i>The Syro-French archaeological Mission of Ras Shamra – Ougarit</i>   |
| 18.10-18.30                       | Khozama al-Bahloul ( <b>paper read by TBA</b> )<br>DGAMS (Syria)<br><i>The result of excavations works at fortification area (Ugarit), Syrian team</i>  |



| <b>Saturday 5th December</b>      |  |
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|                                   | <b>Hasake Session 2 / Chair: M. al-Maqqdissi</b>   |
| 09.00-09.20                       | Suleiman Elias<br>DGAMS (Syria)<br><i>Tell Shaeer</i>  |
| 09.20-09.40                       | Yoshihiro Nishiaki<br>The University of Tokyo (Japan)<br><i>The Pre-Pottery to Pottery Neolithic settlement of Tell Seker-Aheimar, Hassake, Syria: Excavations from 2000 to 2010</i>                             |
| 09.40-10.00                       | Shigeo Yamada / Hirotoshi Numoto<br>University of Tsukuba (Japan) / Kokushikan University (Japan)<br><i>Excavations at Tell Taban</i>  |
| 10.00-10.20                       | Raffaella Pierobon Benoit<br>Università di Napoli Federico II (Italy)<br><i>Tell Barri/Kahat 2000-2010: the contribution of ten years' excavations to the history of Upper Mesopotamia (3000 B.C./ 900 A.D).</i> |
| 10.20-10.40                       | Johnny Baldi<br>IFPO (France)<br><i>Tell Feres. New evidences on the development of proto-urban societies in northern Mesopotamia</i>  |
| <b>10:40 - 11:10 Coffee Break</b> |  |
|                                   | <b>Damascus Session / Chair: D. Sack</b>   |
| 11.10-11.30                       | Ahmad Taraqji<br>DGAMS (Syria)<br><i>Tell Sakka</i>  |
| 11.30-11.50                       | Rima Khawam<br>DGAMS (Syria)<br><i>Tell Aswad</i>  |
| 11.50-12.10                       | <b>Presentation Cancelled</b>  |
| 12.10-12.30                       | Houmam Saad<br>DGAMS (Syria)<br><i>Temple of Jupiter in Damascus, New perspective</i>  |
| 12.30-12.50                       | Edmond El-Ajji<br>DGAMS (Syria)<br><i>Citadel of Damascus; Possible Earlier Dating According to New Discoveries.</i>   |
| 12.50-13.10                       | Ahmad Dally<br>DGAMS (Syria)<br>Site Museum of Souk al-Sagha   |
| 13.10-13.30                       | <b>POSTER PRESENTATION</b>   |
| <b>13:30 - 14:30 Lunch Break</b>  |  |

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| 14.30-14.50                       | Pierre-Marie Blanc<br>CNRS Nanterre (France)<br><i>The Town of Bosra</i>  |
| 14.50-15.10                       | Frank Braemer<br>CNRS Nanterre (France)<br><i>Leja/Qarassa</i>  |
| 15.30-15.50                       | Ahmed Dyab<br>Damascus University (Syria)<br><i>Survey of Prehistoric Sites in Daraa, South of Syria</i>                              |
| 15.50-16.10                       | Qasem al-Muhammad<br>DGAMS (Syria)<br><i>The results of the latest excavations at Tell al-Ash'ari, Hauran (during the Bronze Age)</i> |
| 16.10-16.30                       | Ghazi Alolo<br>DGAMS (Syria)<br><i>A report on surveying the Safaitic inscriptions, east of al-Namara and al-Zuluf</i>                |
| <b>16:30 - 16:50 Coffee Break</b> |   |
|                                   | <b>Damascus Region Session / Chair: V. Matoian</b>  |
| 16.50-17.10                       | Mahmud Hamud<br>DGAMS (Syria)<br><i>Excavation at Tell Al-Humira</i>  |
| 17.10-17.30                       | Ghada Suleiman<br>DGAMS (Syria)<br><i>Tell al-Bahariya</i>  |
| 17.30-17.50                       | Woroud Ibrahim<br>DGAMS (Syria)<br><i>Al-Qaryatayn in the heart of the Syrian Desert, Monastery of St Elian.</i>                      |
| 17.50-18.10                       | Nada Sarkis<br>DGAMS (Syria)<br><i>Frescoes of Church of St Sergius and St Bacchus, Sadad</i>   |

| <b>Sunday 6th December</b>        |  |
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|                                   | <b>Deir ez-Zor Session /Chair: G. Bunnens</b>  |
| 09.00-09.20                       | Sylvie Blétry<br>Université Paul-Valéry, Montpellier 3 (France)<br><i>The necropolises of Halabiya-Zenobia</i>                                 |
| 09.20-09.40                       | Shaker Al Shbib<br>DGAMS (Syria)<br><i>Tall As-Sin, on the eastern limes</i>   |
| 09.40-10.00                       | Yaarob Alabdullah<br>DGAMS (Syria)<br><i>The Works of the Syrian Mission in the Byzantine City (Tell Al Kasra) in Five Seasons (2006–2010)</i> |
|                                   | <b>Latakia Session 2/ Chair: F. Braemer</b>  |
| 10.00-10.20                       | Massoud Badawi<br>DGAMS (Syria)<br><i>Excavations at Tell Tweini (Syrian Mission)</i>  |
| 10.20-10.40                       | Yaser Yusef<br>DGAMS (Syria)<br><i>The results of archaeological excavations in Amrit for 2003 and 2011</i>                                    |
| 10.40-11.00                       | Balázs Major<br>Pázmány Péter Catholic University (Hungary)<br><i>Latest results of the al-Marqab research project.</i>                        |
| <b>11:00 - 11:30 Coffee Break</b> |  |
| 11.30-13.00                       | <b>Special Session: Thinking Future of Syrian Cultural Heritage</b>  |
| 13:00-13:05                       | <b>Closing Session</b>   |

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