



Dear colleagues,

In the name of the Institute of Archaeology of the Slovak Academy of Sciences (Nitra, Slovakia) and the National Council for Culture, Arts & Letters (State of Kuwait) we would like to invite you to the conference

"Archaeology of Failaka and Kuwaiti coast – current research".

The conference will be held **on 3rd to 6th October 2016 in the Institute of Archaeology of the Slovak Academy of Sciences (Nitra, Slovakia).**

Theme of conference: The archaeological research of the Failaka Island and of the Kuwaiti coast; the underwater archaeology of the north coastline of Failaka

Language of conference: English

Organizers: The Institute of Archaeology of the Slovak Academy of Sciences, Nitra, Slovakia; National Council for Culture, Arts & Letters (NCCAL), State of Kuwait.

The long history of the archaeological survey of the Failaka Island and of the Kuwaiti coast has brought to this date many outstanding scientific results. However, many problems remain to be solved. We decided to organize an international conference (round table), where scientific teams working on the Failaka Island and on the Kuwaiti coast will share new ideas and embark on a closer cooperation. We hope that the presentations of the newest research results will stimulate an active scientific discussion.

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Program

Tuesday, 4th October, 2016

1st session

9:15 – 9:40

Registration

9:40 – 9:50

Keynote address (Shehab A. H. Shehab)

9:50 – 10:00

Opening of the conference (Matej Ruttkay – Karol Pieta)

10:00 – 10:20

Kuwait– Al-Qusur excavation in 2016 (Karol Pieta – Matej Ruttkay)

10:20 – 10:40

Al-Qušūr, last results of the French-Kuwaiti Archaeological Mission in Failaka (Julie Bonnéric)

10:40 – 11:00

The occupation and the space organization at the Al Qurainiyah site from the early to late Islamic period: an overview (Andrea Di Miceli)

11:00 – 11:20

Discussion



Wednesday, 5th October, 2016

2nd session

9:30 – 9:50

Kuwaiti-Georgian Archaeological Mission (David Lordkipanidze)

9:50 – 10:10

The newly discovered cult complex in Bahra, As-Sabbya (Guram Kvirkvelia)

10:10 – 10:30

Coffee break

10:30 – 10:50

Late Islamic seasonal settlement on the island of Failaka (Jimsher Chkhvimiani)

10:50 – 11:10

Some results of archaeological investigations in the north-east coast of the island of Failaka (Zurab Makharadze – Guram Kvirkvelia)

11:10 – 11:30

Discussion

12:50 – 13:10

A comparative study of the settlement patterns on Failaka: The Kuwaiti-Polish Archaeological Mission on Failaka Island, 2012–2016 (Agnieszka Pieńkowska)

13:10 – 13:30

Pottery, fishermen and the Gulf trade. Preliminary results of four seasons of Kuwaiti-Polish excavations on Failaka Island (Marta Mierzejewska)



13:30 – 13:50

Coffee break

13:50 – 14:10

Maritime archaeology of the north shoreline of Failaka Island, Kuwait. First results of the Polish Mission's Underwater (Team's) Survey 2013 – 2016 (Magdalena Nowakowska)

14:10 – 14:30

Pottery of Al-Khidr – preliminary results (Lucia Benediková/Klaudia Daňová/Branislav Kovár)

14:30 – 14:50

Discussion