



Regional museum in Mikulov



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Theory and method in archaeology of the Neolithic (7th - 3rd millenium BC)

Meeting of researchers interested in the Neolithic of Central Europe

The research on the Neolithic of Central Europe is traditionally limited by state and lingual borders and sometimes by lack of close cooperation between archaeology and other disciplines. Many Neolithic phenomena occurring throughout Central Europe are approached with different methods and theoretical background, and the results and experiences are then not broadly discussed. The goal of this meeting is to bring together researchers and students to discuss the problems of current approaches, interpretations and methods, and to find a common basis for further research. It will provide a forum for discussion and debate as well as the exchange of ideas and practices. Because of an international character of the seminar the only accepted language for papers will be English.

The seminar on application of new theories and methods in archaeology of the Neolithic in Central Europe will take place in the Regional Museum in Mikulov (CZ) from 26 to 27 October, 2010. The meeting will bring together students and scholars to discuss current theory and methodology in the research of the Neolithic. The papers presented will cover a broad range of disciplines including archaeology, anthropology, geology, biological sciences, computer sciences, geography and chemistry. For the purpose of this workshop, Central Europe is meant to include Austria, Czech Republic, Germany, Hungary, Poland and

Slovakia. The invitation to attend is open to all researchers and students from these countries, or those undertaking research on the Neolithic (7th - 3rd millennium BC) within these areas.

The seminar will be focused on the main topics such as:

- the role of material culture and its appropriate method of analysis
- land use and environment
- social identity and complexity
- new scientific methods of qualitative analyses of materials and sediments
- re-considering old results, new interpretations and critical views

Arrival:

From Berlin, Bratislava, Brno, Budapest, Kraków, Praha, Warszawa and Wien by EC, IC or SC train to Břeclav, then by local train to Mikulov (direction Znojmo).
By car by international road Brno-Wien (E 461/R 52). From Bratislava to Břeclav by motorway D2, then by national road (40) Břeclav- Mikulov.

Registration fee:

300 CZK; students (excluding Ph.D. students): 150 CZK; students with paper for free.

Fee includes: conference hall and refreshment.

Seminar URL for registration:

http://neolithic_seminar.gofs.cz

Contact:

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Important dates:

Registration deadline: 31st July 2010

Announcement of paper acceptance: 10th September 2010

Seminar: 26th -27th October

Accommodation:

Each participant is responsible for his/her own accommodation. The list of hotels in Mikulov is available at this site::

<http://www.mikulov.cz/tourism/services/accommodation/?languageId=1>

If necessary it is possible to help you with reservation on request.

Low-cost accommodation for students can be provided on request.

