

**GALABOVO IN SE EUROPE AND BEYOND:  
CULTURAL INTERACTIONS DURING THE 3RD-2ND MILLENNIUM BC**

**INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE**

**24-27th October 2018**



**PROGRAMME**



## 24/10/2018

Meeting point - Sofia Airport

Transport Sofia-Galabovo

Check-in Hotel Villa Verde

20:00 Dinner

## 25/10/2018

07:00 Breakfast

08:30-9:00 Registration

9:00-9:30 Welcome and opening

**Nikolay Tonev** - Mayor of Galabovo

**Todor Popnadelev** - Dean of the Faculty of History at Sofia University

**Hristo Popov** - NAIM-BAS

**Plamen Karailiev** - Director of Radnevo Archaeological Museum

**Krassimir Leshtakov** - Head of the Organizing Committee

9:30-10:00 **Mehmet Özdoğan**

Keynote lecture: Earliest organized trade joining the East with the West – An overview on its consequences in Thrace

### Session 1

**Chairman: Volker Heyd**

10:00-10:15 **Bisserka Gaydarska**  
The landscape at Maritsa-Iztok revisited

10:15-10:30 **Arthur Glais**  
Geomorphological investigations in Northern Greece. New perspectives

10:30-10:45 **Tzvetana Popova & Hanna Hristova**  
Plants and environment: archaeobotanical research of the Bronze Age settlements in Upper Thrace

10:45-11:00 **Filip Machev**  
Application of geological methods for investigation of archaeological objects

11:00-11:15 Coffee break

11:15-11:30 **Nadezhda Todorova**  
Before the Bronze Age. Cultural traits, interactions and contacts in the area of Galabovo at the end of the Chalcolithic period


11:30-11:45 **Zoi Tsirtsoni**  
The temporal framework of the Early-to-Late Bronze Age transition in Thrace and the adjacent regions

11:45-12:00 **Krassimir Leshtakov**  
Odd things – ordinary things: the matter of Galabovo items

12:00-12:30 Discussion

13:00-14:30 Lunch





**Session 2**  
**Chairman: John Chapman**

- 14:30-14:45 **Tatyana Kancheva-Rousseva**  
On certain cut features in the Ovcharitsa River basin
- 14:45-15:00 **Hristina Vassileva**  
Bronze Age Site near Ovcharts, Municipality Radnevo: Features and Ceramics
- 15:00-15:15 **Nikolina Nikolova**  
What's so special there and why enclose it? Some thoughts on the Early and Middle Bronze Age ditches from Upper Thrace
- 15:15-15:30 **Morena Stefanova**  
Objects of eternity: offering rituals and places of worship during the Early and Middle Bronze Age in Thrace
- 15:30-15:45 **John Chapman & Bisserka Gaydarska**  
Landscape history and ecological impact in the Bronze Age of the Balkans
- 15:45-16:00 Coffee break
- 16:00-16:15 **Denitsa Ilieva**  
Pottery ornamentation during the Bronze age in Galabovo tell – development and connections to Upper Thrace and beyond
- 16:15-16:30 **Vanya Petrova**  
Weaving on the tell. Textile production in the late stage of EBA and the evidence from Galabovo and Madrets
- 16:30-16:45 **Lorenz Rahmstorf & Nicola Ialongo**  
In search of weights, scales and weight-regulated artefacts in the North Aegean and the southern Balkans during the Bronze Age
- 16:45-17:15 Discussion
- 17:30 Visit of Galabovo tell
- 18:30 Opening of Archaeological Exhibition
- 19:30 Cocktail

**26/10/2018**

- 07:00 Breakfast

**Session 1**  
**Chairman: Cristian Schuster**


- 09:00-09:15 **Thomas Zimmermann**  
Rethinking the great void – the inception, idleness and Balkan-born "second coming" of Anatolian Late Chalcolithic metalwork
- 09:15-09:30 **Anca-Diana Popescu & Bogdan C.**  
Tin bronze artefacts of the 3rd millennium BC: Case studies from the Lower Danube
- 09:30-09:45 **Lyuben Leshtakov**  
Moulds and Mould production in Upper Thrace during the Bronze Age

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- 09:45-10:00 **Jan G. de Boer**  
South-Eastern Europe within the ancient world-systems, the Bulgarian ingots 15 years later
- 10:00-10:15 Discussion
- 10:15-10:30 Coffee break
- 10:30-10:45 **Stefan Alexandrov**  
The golden hair-ring from Galabovo Tell and its Northern connections
- 10:45-11:00 **Zheni Vasileva**  
Worn to Impress? Development and significance of the metal hair-rings in Early Bronze Age Thrace
- 11:00-11:15 Discussion
- 11:15-11:30 **Volker Heyd**  
From Yamnaya Pastoralists to Anatolian Colonies. The Wind of Change in Early Bronze Age Southeast Europe
- 11:30-11:45 **Songül Alpaslan-Roodenberg**  
An anthropological and genetic overview of human remains from Early Bronze Age burial yards in western Anatolia and Bulgaria
- 11:45-12:00 **Cristian Schuster**  
About the Bronze Age Burials from the Necropolis from Brăilița
- 12:00-12:30 Discussion
- 13:00-14:30 Lunch

**Session 2**  
**Chairman: Peter Pavúk**

- 14:30-14:45 **Radu Băjenaru**  
The Galabovo-Tell and the Early/Middle Bronze Age north of the Danube
- 14:45-15:00 **Neculai Bolohan**  
Verbicioara culture. A never ending story
- 15:00-15:15 Coffee break
- 15:15-15:30 **Jacob Roodenberg**  
Looking back at the EBA of the Eastern Marmara-Iznik region
- 15:30-15:45 **Vasif Şahoğlu**  
'Early Bronze Age Anatolian Trade Network' and its Northwestern Extension into the Balkans
- 15:45-16:00 **Derya Yılmaz**  
Step by Step: Cross-Cultural Interactions between Anatolia and the Balkans during the 3rd millennium BC
- 16:00-16:15 **Peter Pavúk**  
Galabovo and its MBA Aegean and Anatolian connections
- 16:15-16:45 Discussion
- 17:00-19:30 Visit of Stara Zagora museum
- 20:00 Dinner





## 27/10/2018

07:00 Breakfast

### **Session 1** **Chairman: Jacob Roodenberg**

- 09:00-09:15 **Masao Semmoto**  
Chronology and stratigraphy of the Early Bronze Age settlement of Dyadovo in southeastern Bulgaria
- 09:15-09:30 **Dimitria Malamidou**  
Bronze Age pottery from Dikili Tash, Northern Greece: tracing continuities and contacts
- 09:30-09:45 **Stratis Papadopoulos & Nerantzis Nerantzis & Konstantina Kyria**  
The prehistoric settlement at Perigiali, Kavala during the 3rd millennium BC: Cultural contacts with the broader region as revealed through the studied pottery
- 09:45-10:00 **Göksel Sazcı**  
A Bronze Age settlement at the southeastern end of Thrace: Maydos Kilise tepe
- 10:00-10:15 **Bogdan Athanassov & Zhivko Uzunov**  
Pottery from the Late Bronze Age site Alexandrovo near Pomorie on the Western Black Sea coast or how should we imagine the Eastern Balkans after the time of Galabovo
- 10:15-10:30 Coffee break
- 10:30-10:45 **Ivan Gatsov & Petranka Nedelcheva**  
Some observations on the Bronze Age lithic assemblages from northeastern Aegean and Thrace
- 10:45-11:00 **Murat Türkteki & Sinem Türkteki**  
Anatolian-Balkan Connections at the end of the 3rd Millennium BC: A Ritual Perspective
- 11:00-11:30 Discussion
- 11:30-11:45 Coffee break
- 11:45-12:30 **General discussion and round table**  
**Chairman: Mehmet Özdoğan**  
  
Protecting cultural heritage and possibilities for socialization of archaeological sites in SE Europe and Anatolia  
**Necmi Karul & Zeynep Eres Özdoğan**
- 13:00-14:30 Lunch
- 15:00 Excursion
- 19:30 Wine degustation - Zaara Estate, Glavan

## 28/10/2018

08:00 Breakfast

Departure

**The Conference will take place in Galabovo, Bulgaria.  
The sessions will be held at the Galabovo Municipality main building.**



**Organizers:**

**Faculty of History at Sofia University 'St. Kliment Ohridski'  
Galabovo Municipality  
Maritsa Iztok Archaeological Museum  
National Archaeological Institute with Museum - BAS**

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