

Western and Central Anatolia (RG 05)

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2<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of the Regional Group Western and Central Anatolia (RG 05)

The Western and Central Anatolia in the 3rd Millennium BC - II

29 Jan. - 1 Feb. 2010

# SCIENTIFIC REPORT

# **SUMMARY**

The team met at the Congress Hall of the Municipality of Urla, located in Urla-İzmir. The participants arrived on 29 January and the meeting was held for two days on 30-31 January, with departure on 1 February. The Mayor of Urla, M. Selçuk Karaosmanoğlu was also present at the opening to wish the participants a productive meeting. The aim of the Second Regional Meeting was to present and discuss the data to be incorporated into the regional database as well as to inform those entering the data about the structure of the database itself. The organization of the publication was another goal of this 2nd meeting. The programme of the meeting is attached as APPENDIX 1.

Some of the previously announced participants could not attend the meeting themselves but sent their representatives to present the material. The following scientists were present at the second meeting:

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Vasıf Şahoğlu, Levent Keskin, Rıza Tuncel, Marc Lebeau, Uwe Finkbeiner, Artemis Karnava, Ivan Gatsov, Stephan Blum, Christiane Frirdich, Barbara Horejs, Francesco Saliola, Pino Fenu, Yalçın Kamış, Derya Yılmaz, Thomas Zimmermann, Christoph Bachhuber, Michele Massa, Armağan Erkanal, Yiğit Erbil, Pepa Nedelcheva.

The participants presented their material whether new or already published and the contexts of various inventories were discussed with a view to their suitability for entrance into the regional database. Although problems persist, especially with older and still not fully published excavations as well as the vagaries of archaeological formation processes, all the data presented was deemed suitable for inclusion.

The meeting also agreed upon the deadline for the submission of the database on 31st March 2010 and discussed the authorship of individual chapters for the upcoming publication.

### SCIENTIFIC CONTENT AND DISCUSSION

The aims and methodology of the ARCANE project were presented by M. Lebeau, followed by an introduction to the database program and its structure by S. Anastasio. V. Sahoglu presented the progress report of RG 05, pointing out the various difficulties that the group faced concerning the late initiation of the work for this region. Nevertheless, it was pointed out that the group was determined to fulfill its obligations by undertaking all work at an increased pace and incorporating the necessary data to the best of everyone's abilities.

The participants presented the material and discussed the reasons behind their choice of inventories. The presentations included material that has already been published (Demircihöyük, Alaca Höyük, Beycesultan, Karataş-Semayük, Kalınkaya), as well as previously unpublished material from ongoing excavations (Liman Tepe, Bakla Tepe, Çeşme-Bağlararası, Çukuriçi Höyük, Yenibademli Höyük, Acemhöyük, Resuloğlu, Troia). The number of inventories for each site ranged from 1 to 16 inventories, adding up to a total of at least 86 inventories (see APPENDIX 2).

The data from current excavations was deemed to meet the standards envisaged by the project. The main problem was that of older excavations where the published data did not meet current standards (especially from sites not yet fully published – e.g. Karatas-Semayük – and sites that were published a long time ago – e.g. Alaca Hüyük, Beycesultan). It was agreed, however, that these sites remain important for the project as the number of Early Bronze Age sites excavated were few and far between when the extent of the region is taken into consideration. It was decided to incorporate as much detail as could be gleaned from published reports into the database to provide comparative material for data from current excavations.

On the second day, the organization of the publication and the deadline for database entry was discussed. Since the present group was formed and started its work much later than other regional groups, the need for a more realistic date for the deadline fort he database entries was stressed by group members. It was decided that the final date would be fixed for the 31st March, 2010. Another topic for discussion was the structure of the regional

publication and the authorship of individual chapters. It was decided that on certain topics, the number of contributors should be expanded to include those providing new material for ARCANE. A new list of contibutors was put together as a result of discussions with the participants of the meeting (see APPENDIX 3).

Finally, it was also decided to hold another informal meeting at no cost in Istanbul during the last week of May to coincide with the annual Excavation Results Symposium where most contributors would be present.

### ASSESSMENT OF RESULTS AND DIRECTIONS FOR FUTURE WORK

The meeting achieved all of its main goals. Although the team members did have previous knowledge about the project itself and had discussed the plan to be followed in the previous meeting, the contributors were able to ask questions and seek answers from the head of the project and the creators of the database program at first hand.

The meeting was deemed a success by all participants, who agreed to finalise the database entry phase by the 31st March, 2010. This will be the next important step of the project.

The allotment of authors for individual chapters also paved the way for collaborative chapters where each contributor will be able to assess the material that he/she has contributed to the project which we hope will provide a multi-faceted assessment of the material at hand and also reflect a consensus among scholars working in the region. After the completion of the database entry phase, the writing up of individual chapters for the regional publication will start.

# **APPENDICES**

APPENDIX 1 – PROGRAMME OF THE SECOND MEETING OF ARCANE RG 05

APPENDIX 2 – NUMBER OF INVENTORIES FROM EACH SITE PROPOSED FOR THE DATABASE.

APPENDIX 3 – AUTHORS OF INDIVIDUAL CHAPTERS IN THE REGIONAL PUBLICATION.

# **APPENDIX 1**

# The Western and Central Anatolia in the 3rd Millennium - II $2^{nd} \ Group \ Meeting-Urla, \ \dot{I}zmir$ $FINAL \ PROGRAMME$

# Friday, 29<sup>th</sup> January 2010

ARRIVAL AT URLA (Hotel Seferis)

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Saturday, 30th	Saturday, 30th January 2010						
09:30 - 09:45	Words of Welcome and Introduction to the Meeting (H. Erkanal)						
MORNING SESSION							
09:45 - 10:15	Introduction to the ARCANE Project, Aims and Methodology (M. Lebeau)						
10:15 - 10:35	Introduction of the database (Francesco Saliola & Pino Fenu)						
10.35 – 10.50	Progress Report of RG 05 (Past, Present and Future Perspectives) (V. Şahoğlu)						
	PRESENTATION OF THE INVENTORIES - I						
10:50 – 11:05	Acemhöyük (Yalçın Kamış)						
11:05 – 11:20	Resuloğlu (Tayfun Yıldırım) (Read by Derya Yilmaz)						
11:20 – 11:40	Kalınkaya (Thomas Zimmermann)						
12:00	Lunch						
	AFTERNOON SESSION						
	PRESENTATION OF THE INVENTORIES – II						
14:00 – 14:20	Alacahöyük (Christoph Bachhuber)						
14:20 – 14:35	Demircihöyük – Sarıket (Mikele Massa)						
14:35 - 14:50	Beycesultan (Rıza Tuncel)						

14:50 - 15:00	Elmalı Karataş Semayük (Levent Keskin)				
15:00 - 15:10	Troia (Christiane Frirdich)				
15:10 – 15:20	Yenibademli Höyük (H. Hüryılmaz) (Read by Levent Keskin)				
	DISCUSSION				
15:20 – 16:00	Coffee break				
16.00 - 16:15	Çukuriçi Höyük (Barbara Horejs)				
16:15 – 16:30	Liman Tepe, Bakla Tepe and Çeşme - Bağlararası (Vasıf Şahoğlu)				
16:30 – 16:45	Glyptics (Artemis Karnava)				
16:45 – 17:00	Lithics (Ivan Gatsov)				
17:20 – 18:00	RESULTS AND DISCUSSION FOR FIRST DAY				
19:30	Dinner				
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# Sunday, 31st January 2010

09:30	Introduction of the Publication (Marc Lebeau)		
10:00	Address of Rector of Ankara University (Prof. Cemal Taluğ)		
10:00	Discussions and Organization of the Publication		
	Lunch		
	Trip to Çeşme – Bağlararası		

18:00 Dinner

Monday, 1st February 2010

09:00 Departure after breakfast

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# APPENDIX 2 NUMBER OF INVENTORIES PER SITE

Site	id	Date Range	No. of Inventories	Contributors
Acemhöyük	WA002		2	Aliye Öztan and Yalçın Kamış
Resuloğlu	WA008		3	Tayfun Yıldırım
Kalınkaya	WA043		12	Thomas Zimmermann
Alacahöyük	WA007		4	Christoff Bachhuber
Demircihöyük	WA018	2700-2500 cal BC	2	Michele Massa
Demircihöyük - Sarıket	WA019	2700-2500 cal BC	6	Michele Massa
Beycesultan	WA027		3(+1?)	Rıza Tuncel
Aphrodisias	WA031		3(+1?)	Rıza Tuncel
Karataş Semayük	WA025		6	Levent Keskin
Troia	WA036		16	Christiane Frirdich
Yenibademli Höyük	WA039		1 (+1?)	Halime Hüryılmaz
□ukuri□i Höyük	WA042	2900-2650	9	Barbara Horejs
Liman Tepe	WA035	2800-2100	6	Vasıf Şahoğlu
Bakla Tepe	WA034	2400-2200	8(+1?)	Vasıf Şahoğlu
□eşme - Bağlararası	WA041	2500-2200	1(+1?)	Vasıf Şahoğlu
Dubene	WA044		4	Martin Hristov
Kültepe	WA003		To be filled	Fikri Kulakoğlu
GLYPTICS (transversal synopsis)			-	Artemis Karnava
LITHICS (transversal synopsis)			-	Ivan Gatsov

# APPENDIX 3

# TOPICS FOR PUBLICATION

# Architecture and Settlement Planning -

**WA -** Hayat Erkanal, Rıza Tuncel , Massimo Cultraro, **CA -** Kutlu Emre, Fikri Kulakoğlu

# Pottery -

**WA -** Vasıf Şahoğlu, Christiane Frirdich, Stephan Blum, Barbara Horejs, Halime Hüryılmaz **CA -** Kutlu Emre, Tayfun Yıldırım, Fikri Kulakoğlu, Yalçın Kamış,

# Stratigraphy -

**WA -** Vasıf Şahoğlu, Christiane Frirdich, Stephan Blum, Barbara Horejs, **CA -** Kutlu Emre

# Metals -

**WA** - Ernst Pernicka, Levent Keskin, Christoph Bachhuber, **CA** - Tayfun Yıldırım, Thomas Zimmermann, Derya Yılmaz

# **Burial Habits** –

WA - Vasıf Şahoğlu, Mikele Massa,

CA - Aliye Öztan, Tayfun Yıldırım, Fikri Kulakoğlu, Thomas Zimmermann

Glyptic – Artemis Karnava, Aliye Öztan

Lithics - Ivan Gatsov, Max, Pepa Nedelcheva, Neyir Kolankaya

C14 – Mikele Massa, Barbara Horejs, Sinan Ünlüsoy, Rıza Tuncel

# Figurines and small finds -

WA - Christoph Bachhuber, Yigit Erbil, Vasıf Şahoğlu, Levent Keskin, Halime Hüryılmaz CA - Tayfun Yıldırım, Kutlu Emre, Fikri Kulakoğlu,