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MAKING LANDSCAPE

Approaching the pre- and protohistoric tasks on the island of Sant'Antioco/Sardinia

As a landscape-archaeological study, the project has been investigating the inhabitant's daily routines within the realm of subsistence economy and exchange as well as their involvement in ritual, social or political activities since 2017. Through remote sensing, geomorphological investigation, survey, excavation, experimental approaches and underwater investigations the project reconstructs the communities' tasks and their spatial layout to trace the specific land- and seascape appropriation of the inhabitants and to carve out their possible perceptions and meanings. It hence has the potential to break the almost stereotypical idea of the Nuragic population as mountaineers and herdsmen, restricted to pastoral life and averted from the sea, which is often perpetuated in literature and touristic commercialization and has been partially incorporated into narratives about local identity.

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ALL OVER THE PLACE

Relational Approaches to Mediterranean Landscape Archaeology

10th to 12th October 2025, Sant'Antioco/Sardinia



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WORKSHOP AIM

The workshop has a twofold aim: On the one hand it wants to bring together specialist in landscape archaeology focusing on the pre- and protohistory of the eastern, central and western Mediterranean and thus explore potential differences in research traditions. On the other hand it seeks to explore and critically discuss relational approaches in landscape archaeology, no matter whether they are driven by ANT (actor-network theory), practice theoretical or posthuman approaches by providing a platform for leading and emerging experts to engage in scholarly exchange and dialogue about the possibilities and challenges.

Organizational matters

The workshop will take place from 10th to 12th October 2025 at the Museo Archaeologico Ferruccio Barreca in Sant'Antioco, Sardinia. The workshop proceedings are planned for publication in 2026/2027.



Fotos (© E. Suà):
Inside: Panoramic view of the Canai plain.
Back: Trench 2 on the Crisionis Hill overlooking the Canai plain.
Front: View of the Canai plain.

TIMETABLE

FRIDAY, 10.10.2025

20.30 **Dinner at local restaurant Zefiro**
Via Giosuè Carducci 15
09017 Sant'Antioco

SATURDAY, 11.10.2025

9.00 - 9.15 **Welcome**
Saluti dall'amministrazione comunale
9.15 - 9.30 Constance von Rűden
Introduction
9.30 - 10.15 Mark Pearce
"Fieldwalking in the central Mediterranean - a comparative survey"
10.15 - 11.00 Martin Bartelheim
"Research into the archaeology of landscape and prehistoric settlement in the Guadalquivir valley (southern Spain)"
11.00 - 11.15 **Coffee Break**
11.15 - 12.00 Alexia Dorkel, Kewin Peche-Quilichini, Marie Besse
"Land Use in Corsica: Fortified Sites from the Late Neolithic to the End of the Bronze Age"
12.00 - 12.45 Riccardo Cicilloni, Federico Porcedda, Marco Cabras
"Nuraghi and landscape: locational modalities and territorial choices"
12.45 - 14.00 **Lunch Break**
14.00 - 14.45 Mauro Perra
"Seascapes: Chronicles from a Liquid Continent"
14.45 - 15.30 Constance von Rűden, Tim Klingenberg, Yvonne Schmied, Marie Usadel
"Making Landscape on to the island of Sant'Antioco - a more than Human Approach"

15.30 - 15.45 **Coffee Break**
15.45 - 16.30 Helen Dawson
"Greener Shores? Place-Making, Mobility, and Abandonment in Island Archaeology"
16.30 - 17.15 Maja Gori
"Per terra e per mare: a (re)assessment of different Cetinascaes"
17.30 **Aperitivo at the Museo Archaeologico Ferruccio Barreca**
Via Sabatino Moscati
09017 Sant'Antioco

SUNDAY, 12.10.2025

9.00 - 9.45 Marco Iamoni (online)
"Human - Environment relationship and the formation of "urban" complex societies: a comparative view from the Levant and northern Mesopotamia"
9.45 - 10.30 Hermann Genz
"The Chekka Hinterland Survey (Northern Lebanon) from 2016 to 2022: First Results"
10.30 - 11.15 Robert Schiestl
"Surveying in Egypt - potential of a neglected field"
11.15 - 11.30 **Coffee Break**
11.30 - 12.15 Mark Pearce
Final Discussion
12.15 - 13.15 **Lunch Break**
14.30 **Excursion Grutt'i Acqua**

