



Death, Rituals and Symbolism in Prehistoric Aegean
ARWA International Online Workshop
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11 – 12 December 2022

PROGRAMME

Sunday, 11 December 2022

09:00–09:10 Welcome by Vasıf Şahoğlu and Ourania Kouka

SESSION 1: MORTUARY LANDSCAPES AND SOCIETY – NEOLITHIC GREECE AND SOUTHERN BALKANS

Chairperson: Katerina Kostanti

09:10–09:30 Paz Ramirez Valiente
Where have all the Children Gone? Child Burials and Age–Identities in Neolithic Greece

09:30–09:50 Alexandra Mari
Death and Bereavement at Marathon: Revealing Neolithic Anthropological Remains in the Cave of Pan

09:50–10:10 Krum Bacvarov, Nikolina Nikolova, Georgi Katsarov, Atanas Tsurev & Kathleen McSweeney
Complexity of Disposal: Neolithic Ditch Burials at Nova Nadezhda, Bulgarian Thrace

10:10–10:30 **Break**

SESSION 2: MORTUARY LANDSCAPES AND SOCIETY – BRONZE AGE MAINLAND GREECE

Chairperson: Philipp W. Stockhammer

10:30–10:50 Laura Matilde Magno & Christopher M. Hale
Pebbles, Materiality, and Liminal Spaces in the Aegean Bronze Age

10:50–11:10 Lena Vasileou
The Mortuary Landscape of Zagori through the Study of the Cist Graves at Skamneli (NW Epirus)

11:10–11:30 Sophie Cushman
Symbols in Stone? Grave Circles, Enclosures, and Cultural Identities

11:30–11:50 Katerina Kostanti
Mycenaean Elite Burials within Settlements. Spatial Manifestations of Power and Authority

11:50–12:10 **Break**

Chairperson: Vasıf Şahoğlu

12:10–12:30 Kalliopi Nikita
Glass at the Service of the Dead: Jewellery and Ornaments of Blue Glass in Burial Contexts of Mycenaean Attica

12:30–12:50 Eleni Drakaki
Manifestations of Status Differentiation in Mycenaean Elite Mortuary Ritual: The Case of the Dendra, Kazarma, and Myrsinochorion/Routsis Burials

12:50–13:10 Aleydis Van de Moortel
Late Bronze Age Funerary Tumuli at Mitrou, Central Greece: Function, Social Significance, and Symbolism

13:10–14:30 **Lunch Break**

SESSION 3: MORTUARY LANDSCAPES AND SOCIETY – MINOAN CRETE

Chairperson: Ourania Kouka

- 14:30–14:50** Metaxia Tsipopoulou
The External Relations of the EBA and MBA Elite Cemetery at Petras (Siteia), Crete: A well Connected Society
- 14:50–15:10** Anastasia Vergaki
Rituals and Symbols of Power in Funerary Contexts: Cases from the Mesara Plain and the Asterousia Mountains
- 15:10–15:30** Lucia Alberti
Visible Fragments of Invisible Actions: the Processing of Grief in Prehistoric Knossos, Crete
- 15:30–15:50** Anna Simandiraki–Grimshaw
Bodies in Flux: Anthropomorphic/Anthropomorphising Vessels from Funerary Contexts in Bronze Age Crete
- 15.50-16.10** **Discussion**

Monday, 12 December

SESSION 4: SYMBOLISM OF LIFE AND DEATH – BRONZE AGE MAINLAND GREECE AND CRETE

Chairperson: Metaxia Tsipopoulou

- 09:30–09:50** Marie N. Pareja
A Polyvalent Potnia? Female Embodiments of Life in Death in Bronze Age Afro–Eurasia
- 09:50–10:10** Marie N. Pareja & Hunter Omerzo
A Matter of Life and Death: Recontextualizing Minoan Genii and Monkeys
- 10:10–10:30** Ioannis D. Fappas
Worshippers in a Tomb? The Iconographic Programme of the Monumental Chamber Tomb of Mycenaean Thebes
- 10:30–10:50** Angiolo Querci
A Boat is a Boat: some Thoughts on the Presence of Boat Models and Boat Images in Aegean Late Bronze Age Funerary Contexts
- 10:50–11:10** **Break**

SESSION 5: MORTUARY LANDSCAPES AND SOCIETY – EAST AEGEAN AND WESTERN ANATOLIA

Chairperson: Ioannis D. Fappas

11:10–11:30 Massimo Cultraro
Dying in an Island. Unpublished Early Bronze Age Tombs around Poliochni, Lemnos (Greece)

11:30–11:50 Ourania Kouka
Searching for Mortuary Landscapes in the Early Bronze Age East Aegean

11:50–12:10 Vasıf Şahoğlu & Ümit Gündoğan
The ‘Special Deposit’ at Bakla Tepe: New Insights into the Rituals Habits of the 3rd Millennium BC Aegean and Anatolia.

12:10–12:30 **Break**

Chairperson: Yılmaz Selim Erdal

12:30–12:50 Bérengère Perello
The Places of Funerary Rituals, from Death to Commemoration: The Example of a Collective Burial from the Karataş Cemetery (EBA)

12:50–13:10 Latif Öksüz
What Quantitative Analysis Can Tell us about Funerary Practices in Western Anatolia during the Bronze Age

13:10–13:30 Filip Franković
Fire, Kraters and Kings: The Role of Cremation in the Expression of Different Social Identities during the 2nd Millennium BCE in West Anatolia

13:30–14:30 **Lunch Break**

SESSION 6: MORTUARY EVIDENCE AND INTERDISCIPLINARY APPROACHES

Chairperson: Aleydis Van de Moortel

14:30–14:50 Erin Brantmayer
Dead Space: A GIS–Based Approach for Linking Bronze Age Mortuary and Living Landscapes

14:50–15:10 Nuray Nisan Köknar
Identifying Seascape in Western Anatolia: Visibility Analysis of the Late Bronze Age Burials

15:10–15:30 Philipp W. Stockhammer, Eirini Skourtanioti & Harald Ringbauer

Social Belonging in Bronze Age Greece from an Integrative
Bioarchaeological Perspective on Burials

- 15:30–15:50** Yılmaz Selim Erdal & Meliha Melis Koruyucu
Changes in Burial Rites Reflected on Bioarchaeological Data in Western
Anatolia: A Case Study on Early Bronze Age Cemeteries at Bakla Tepe
- 15:50–16:10** Carly Henkel & Evi Margaritis
The Archaeobotany of Death: Plant Remains from Mortuary Contexts of
Bronze Age Crete
- 16:10–16:40** **Final Discussion**