



Annual Meeting of the UISPP 4th Commission 2009 in Budapest
Data Management and Mathematical Methods in Archaeology
Special Issue: **Quantitative Methods for the Challenges in 21st Century Archaeology**

First Circular

The next annual meeting of UISPP 4th Commission (Data Management and Mathematical Methods in Archaeology) is scheduled for 5-6 June 2009, Budapest.

Venue

Hungarian National Museum, Budapest, H-1088 Budapest, Múzeum krt. 14-16.

The main field of interest of the conference is '*Quantitative Methods for the Challenges in 21st Century Archaeology*'.

Objectives

Modern archaeology has to cope with tasks beyond scholarly pottering. Excavations on industrial scale and vast amount of finds and evidences are ahead of us to save and preserve for the future and create adequate analysis for the present.

Quantitative methods can help in forecasting, handling and investigating the archaeological heritage. Predictive modelling can help us to find - or avoid - potential sites, assessing the 'archaeological hazard'. Sampling techniques and statistical methods can help in deriving useful and reliable information from masses of potential data. Information technology solutions can support the storage and retrieval of the large amount of data collected that should be made accessible and known for the professionals as well as the wide public.

The 4th Commission of U.I.S.P.P. plans to address these challenging problems on the next meeting scheduled June 2009 in Budapest, hosted by the Hungarian National Museum.

Presentations

Contributions are accepted as oral or poster presentations. As regards the form, the intention of the authors is a primary factor; however, the organisers may suggest changes due to limitations in time. Confirmation of attendance is needed for both oral and poster presentations: at least one of the authors must be present on the Conference for acceptance in program and abstract volume. The time allotted for each oral presentation is 20 minutes, including discussion, introductory and closing arguments.

We are expecting to have scholarly papers on various aspects of quantitative methods in the field of archaeology and cultural heritage. We have received a positive reply on our First Call for Papers by several authors. The final program will be compiled after registration. Please send back your **Registration Form** not later than 31st of March to the following address, in mail, fax or email (preferred):

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Conditions of participation

We intend to keep costs as low as possible. There is no registration fee. Certain services may be requested like getting accommodation and board on self-cost in advance. If you need any special arrangements like invoices let us know in time.

Please indicate on the Registration Form if you need any of these and keep deadlines.

All correspondence is intended to be through electronic format. The Conference Web Site (http://www.ace.hu/UISPP_4/) will keep you constantly informed. To be included in the circulation of information on the meeting please send back the registration form to the e-mail address of the organiser (tbk@ace.hu). You will receive a feedback on the receipt of every letter concerning the meeting. No feedback means that your message was not received; in this case, please send it once more or repeat the message on fax.

Accommodation

We have reserved some hotel rooms for the Conference Participants. We have a special offer till 15th of March. Please express your interest before that date.

You are asked to arrange your booking as soon as possible. It should be emphasised that the organisers cannot be held responsible for accommodation that has been reserved and not used. The parties in question will be liable for it. We are transferring your request to the Hotels, noting that you are our guests for this meeting. They may ask a deposit (typically, one day); you will do all your arrangements direct with the hotel staff. Of course we help you in anything if necessary.

There is a limited number of guestrooms we can reserve for people with economic difficulties. Please notify the organisers in time.

You may have your own arrangements for accommodation as well. We suggest internet resources to help you like <http://www.budapesthotelstart.com/>

We are suggesting the following Hotels, within walking distance to the Museum:

HOTEL	Single room	Double room
Hotel Corvin*** 1094 Budapest, Angyal u. 31	50 EUR	65 EUR
Best Western Hotel Art**** 1053 Budapest, Királyi Pál u.12.	80 EUR	100 EUR

The prices stated above are per room basis in Euro, they include all V.A.T. local taxes and breakfast.

Additional costs

You may need organised meals during the Conference. This we can book for you in one of the nearby restaurants.

We are organising a Conference Dinner for the 5th of June. Please book in time on the reservation form.

Lunch for 5 th of June	20 €
Lunch for 6 th of June	20 €
Conference dinner:	40 €

Deadlines

Participation on the Conference is free but you have to be registered.

Registration Form should be sent back as soon as possible. We accept late registrations but certain services and applications for contributions may not be available.

Hotel reservations should be made before:	15 th of March
Lectures should be announced before:	31 st March
Posters should be announced before:	31 st of May
Lunch & Conference Dinner reservations before:	31 st of May

Payments of accommodation costs should be made directly to the Hotels; other costs can be arranged at the registration desk pre-paid to the Museum.

The second circular with details on program will be available on the conference webpage by 15th of April. It will be sent only to the registered participants.

Looking forward your reply,
In the name of the organisers
Katalin T. Biró



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Registration Form

I am planning to take part on the meeting			
Name			
Gender	M / F		
Affiliation			
Address			
Telephone		Fax	
Email			
I will present a lecture			
I will present a poster			
Author(s)			
Title			
Special services required	Accommodation yes /no	Lunches yes /no	Conference Dinner yes /no
Accommodation at Hotel Corvin	04/05.06.2009.	05/06.06.2009.	06/07.06.2009.
Accommodation at Hotel Best Western	04/05.06.2009.	05/06.06.2009.	06/07.06.2009.
Lunch	05.06.2009.	06.06.2009.	
Conference Dinner	05.06.2009.		