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Invite to participate in
The 5th Geoarchaeological Conference

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Late Antiquity and Migration Period in the light of geoarchaeological records from the eastern Mediterranean, eastern Adriatic and adjacent regions

First circular

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Under scientific patronage

Committee on Quaternary Research of the Polish Academy of Sciences
Croatian National INQUA Committee (Croatian Academy of Sciences and Arts)

The conference will be accompanied by the 2nd meeting of the International Focus Group on Northeastern African Quaternary Stratigraphy (NAQS) acting in frames of INQUA Commission on Stratigraphy and Chronology (INQUA-SACCUM)

The Conference will be held at the Library of the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, Zagreb

23rd-24th of October 2018
The current conference, which is the fifth one, has been designed to highlight results of interdisciplinary geoarchaeological research by specialists from a broad field of disciplines in the humanities and geosciences. The objective is to work towards building a platform for meaningful exchange of information and experience among archaeologists, geologists, geographers, climatologists and researchers from related fields. Meetings in this forum and cooperation between different specialists will hopefully lead to new research projects and initiatives, contributing to broaden knowledge of man's interactions with the natural environment.

This year conference will lay special emphasis on presentation of issues connected to decline of the Late Antiquity and emergence of the so-called Late Antiquity/Migration Period (3rd – 7th century AD) in the light of geoarchaeological records form the eastern Mediterranean, eastern Adriatic and adjacent regions such as Balkans and central Europe as well. It is a paradox that despite the large number of historical and archaeological sources, the period of decline of the Roman Empire and advent of the Migration Period often related as Dark Ages is very little known from the point of view of the environmental and climatic changes, which without a doubt had a huge impact on the cultural and political changes taking place at the time - often described as societal collapse of the Old Word.

Submitted papers can present field and laboratory research focusing on the conference theme, carried out with a broad range of methodologies, including geomorphological, sedimentological, mineralogical, pedological, palynological, palaeobotanical and other analyses. Participation of specialists actively involved in interdisciplinary archaeological projects in Croatia and adjacent countries is particularly encouraged.

**Organizing Committee**

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Papers will be presented in English.

Travel costs to and from the conference will not be covered by the organizers.
No hotel accommodation is provided but organizers will actively help the participants in this matter.
All registered participants are assured refreshments between sessions.

Participants are invited to submit an abstract of max. 300 words, including name, institution and title of the paper/poster. Please send your participation registration by 30th June 2018 to kbotic@iarh.hr or f.welc@uksw.edu.pl and an abstract by 31st August 2018 to the same e-mail addresses.
Costs

There is no registration fee.

Deadlines

Registration: June 30th, 2018 to kbotic@iarh.hr or f.welc@uksw.edu.pl
Second Circular: before July 31st, 2018
Submit abstracts: August 31st, 2018
Third Circular: before October 15th, 2018

Conference localization

Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences of the University of Zagreb
Ivana Lučića 3, Croatia
Conference hall on the 2nd floor of the Faculty Library