



International Workshop Medieval Archaeology in Ethiopia

Wednesday 9, March
Aix-en-Provence

Maison Méditerranéenne des Sciences de l'Homme

5 rue du château de l'Horloge
- Salle G. Duby -



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Morning Programm

9:00 – Welcoming coffee

9:15-9:30: Pr. Julien Loiseau, Dr. Simon Dorso
Introduction to the workshop

9:30 – 10:00:

Pr. Timothy Insoll (Al-Qasimi Chair in African and Islamic Archaeology, Centre for Islamic Archaeology, Institute of Arab and Islamic Studies, University of Exeter)
Archaeological Perspectives on Contacts between Cairo and Eastern Ethiopia in the 12th to 15th Centuries

10:20 : Coffee Break

10:30-11:00

Hannah Parsons-Morgan (al-Qasimi Doctoral Researcher, Centre for Islamic Archaeology, University of Exeter, ERC Becoming Muslim)
Chinese Ceramic Consumption in the Horn of Africa: Materialities and Modification at Mediaeval Harlaa, Eastern Ethiopia

11:20-11:50

Dr. Nicholas Tait (Centre for Islamic Archaeology, Institute for Arab and Islamic Studies, University of Exeter)
The Development of Local Ceramics from Harlaa, Eastern Ethiopia, in a Regional Perspective

12:10-12:30 : Discussion

12:30- 13:30 : Lunch



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Afternoon Programm

13:30-14:00

Dr. Hiluf Behre (Mekelle University, Collège de France)
*The palace at Gud Bahri: its Functions from Residence, Metal Workshop
to a Place of Worship*

14:20-14:50 :

Dr. Simon Dorso (ERC HornEast, IREMAM, Aix-Marseille University)
*The Muslim Cemeteries of South-Eastern Tigray (Ethiopia): Islamic Burials and Funerary
Practices at the Hearth of the Christian Kingdom*

15:10 : Coffee Break

15:30-16:00 :

Dr. Anna Lagaron (ERC HornEast, IREMAM, Aix-Marseille University) & Pr. Julien
Loiseau (ERC HornEast, Aix-Marseille University, IREMAM)
*The Muslim Funerary Stelae from Bilet and Arra's Cemeteries (South-Eastern Tigray, Ethiopia):
Epigraphy, Materiality and Significance for the History of Early Islam in Ethiopia*

16:20-16:50 :

Dr Helina S. Woldekiros (Washington University in St. Louis)
*Foodways on Medieval Trade Networks: Provisioning the Afar Salt Caravan route, Northern
Ethiopia (1000 CE-1600 CE)*

17:10-17:30 : Open discussion and perspectives

Evening : All participants are cordially invited for dinner in Aix-en-Provence

