



ICAZ | 19th FRWG Meeting | Sardinia, 2017

Fish and Fishing Communities

Understanding Ancient and Modern Fisheries
through Archaeological Fish Remains



The 19th meeting of the Fish Remains Working Group (FRWG) of the International Council of Archaeozoology (ICAZ) will be held in Alghero and Stintino, Sardinia, Italy from 1st to 7th October 2017. This conference is being organized by the Archaeozoological Laboratory of the Department of Nature and Environmental Science at the University of Sassari. Sardinia is a Mediterranean island that has been intensively involved with activities related to fish and fishing over the centuries and, therefore is an especially appropriate place to meet and discuss the role of fish studies in archaeozoology and in the broader discipline of archaeology as a whole.

The conference will promote discussions among scholars interested in various topics related to fish and fishery products of different geographical areas and temporal periods. From the physical identification and archaeometric analyses of bones to the study of fishing and preservation of fish through historical and other sources, the conference will focus on the impact that activities related to fish exploitation have had on the economy of populations living along coastal and inland waterways in different parts of the world.

Fish and fishing have been a key component in the economy of many cultures from prehistoric times to the present. Fishing, fish farming, and trading of fresh and preserved fish are only several examples of economic-related activities centered on this important resource. Moreover, cases in which the consumption or possession of fish may have a symbolic or religious significance have also been documented for many societies in the world.

The 19th FRWG meeting will, in particular, attach great importance to the use of new analytical techniques and the initiation of research in new environments with the goal of encouraging multidisciplinary research in conducting fish-related studies. The conference will also highlight the most recent studies and discoveries in this important branch of archaeozoology.

Proposals for oral presentations and posters are suggested under the following themes:

Commercial fishing including storage and trade of fish;

Freshwater fishes: fishing and aquaculture;

Dawn of fisheries: Palaeolithic fishing techniques;

Life in ancient and modern fishing communities;

Fish food supply: historical and archaeological data;

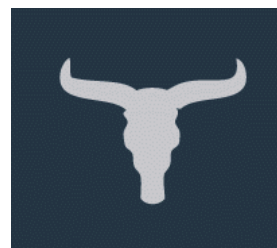
General session: open topics.



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The registration form, where you are invited to submit the title of your presentation and a short abstract, will be available on the conference website by November 2016.

The deadline for registration and abstract submission is 28th February 2017. Please compile the abstract form (<http://19frwg.wixsite.com/19frwg/announcement>) and send it by email to 19frwg@gmail.com.

Abstracts will be reviewed by the Scientific Committee and their acceptance will be communicated to author(s) before the end of March 2017.

The conference fee and other expected costs will be shown in the second circular.

The conference fee will cover coffee breaks, lunches, reception and conference packet.

The fieldtrip (2.5 day excursion) costs include transportation, meals, tour guide, and 2 nights accommodation in a twin or double room.

The cost of the Conference dinner will be paid during the conference.

Registration and Payment information will be available as soon as possible. Details regarding payment will be contained within the Second Circular and on the conference website (19frwg.wixsite.com/19frwg).

Participants will be responsible for the payment of their own accommodation in Alghero. To facilitate your booking we are reserving some rooms in a few hotels (details regarding the accommodation will be contained within the Third Circular).

Colleagues who require financial support are kindly requested to send details of the kind of help they would need (for example: conference fee and/or accommodation) to 19frwg@gmail.com before 31st December 2016.

If you have any questions regarding the conference please contact us:

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On behalf of the Scientific Committee,

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