

25th EASAA Conference, Barcelona 13-17 July 2020

First Announcement

Dear Colleagues,

It is our great pleasure to invite you to the *25th Conference of the European Association for South Asian Archaeology and Art* that will take place in Barcelona on **July 13th to 17th 2020**. The conference will be held at Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Campus Ciutadella in the very hearth of the city and will be hosted by the Department of Humanities.

Colleagues are invited to submit an abstract for a 20-minute oral presentation or, alternatively, for a poster presentation. Abstracts, no longer than 350 words in text format (.doc, .docx, or .rtf format), should be submitted before **November 30th 2019** to the address **easaa2020barcelona@gmail.com**. Decision on the acceptance will be communicated to the authors no later than **February 15th 2020**. Colleagues who need an earlier decision for funding application, should submit the abstract as soon as possible stating their funding deadline so that the committee can provide a timely decision.

Conference contributions should draw on current and unpublished research relating to the archaeology and art history of South Asia, from all periods. However, we welcome topics from neighboring regions if they throw light on South Asian archaeology or art history. Submissions by PhD candidates should be accompanied by a letter of recommendation from their University, preferably from their Supervisor. Colleagues should be advised that each presenter must apply separately, no pre-selected panels or groups will be accepted although different applicants can refer to each other as members of the same research unit and/or project. The organizers will take this information into consideration when organizing the panels.

For the coming conference, we would like to maintain only two parallel sessions and therefore, we will be able to accept only a limited number of oral communications. However, we would like to give as many people as possible the opportunity to show case their research and, we will suggest to people whose abstract for oral presentation has not been accepted to present a poster instead. Should your contribution be accepted as a poster you will be able to either register for the full conference, and present the poster in person, or to send your poster to the organisers and, for a nominal fee, have it displayed with the other posters for the participants to see. More details about poster presentation options will be circulated in due time.

We encourage you to share this Announcement with colleagues and students, on message boards, electronic forums and on social media. In this respect we would like to inform you that we have created a tweeter account for the association (@EASAA_ArchArt) where we will post announcements about the conference (#EASAA2020) as well as any other interesting piece of news regarding South Asian Archaeology and Art.

We look forward to welcoming you all in Barcelona!

The organizing committee
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