Institute for European and Mediterranean Archeology
University at Buffalo - The State University of New York

9TH IEMA VISITING SCHOLAR CONFERENCE

COMING TOGETHER:
COMPARATIVE APPROACHES TO POPULATION AGGREGATION AND EARLY URBANIZATION

2-3 APRIL 2016

Greiner Hall, North Campus
University at Buffalo

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CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, 2 APRIL 2016

08:00-9:00 Registration

9:00-9:30 WELCOME:
Peter F. Biehl – Director of IEMA, Professor and Chair of Anthropology
Stephen L. Dyson – Associate Director of IEMA, Park Professor of Classics
Britta Spaulding – Anthropology Graduate Student, Editor-in-Chief of Chronika

9:30-10:00 INTRODUCTION:
Population Nucleation and Early Urbanization in a Comparative Framework
Attila Gyucha – IEMA Conference Organizer

10:00-10:30 KEYNOTE LECTURE:
Aggregation and Urbanization as Fundamental Drivers of Social Change
Michael E. Smith – Arizona State University (USA)

10:30-11:00 Coffee Break

SESSION ONE: MODELING EARLY URBAN DYNAMICS

11:00-11:30 Beyond 'Oriental Despotism': The Origin of Urban Developments in Dry-farming Syria and Anatolia
Clemens Reichel – University of Toronto/Royal Ontario Museum (Canada)

11:30-12:00 Coming Together in the Iron Age: Population Aggregation and Urban Dynamics in Temperate Europe
Manuel Fernández-Götz – University of Edinburgh (UK)

12:00-12:30 Discussion

12:30-1:30 Lunch
SESSION TWO: ORIGINS AND DEVELOPMENT

1:30-2:00 Urbanism at a Crossroad: Trade, Settlement, and Society in Early Bronze Age Anatolia

A. Nejat Bilgen – Dumlupınar University (Turkey)
Laura Harrison – University at Buffalo, SUNY (USA)

2:00-2:30 "...the nearest run thing...": The Genesis and Collapse of Bronze Age Centers in the Maros Valley of Southeastern Europe

John O'Shea – University of Michigan (USA)

2:30-3:00 Contextualizing Aggregation and Nucleation as Demographic Processes Leading to Cahokia's Emergence as an Incipient Urban Center

John E. Kelly – Washington University in St. Louis (USA)

3:00-3:30 Discussion

3:30-4:00 Coffee Break

4:00-4:30 If You Build It, Will They Come? Will They Stay? The Mycenaean Port Town of Kalamianos

Daniel J. Pullen – Florida State University (USA)

4:30-5:00 Why Athens? Population Aggregation in Attica in the Early Iron Age

Robin Osborne – University of Cambridge (UK)

5:00-5:30 Synoikismos: Formation and Form of Ancient Greek Cities

Bradley A. Ault – University at Buffalo, SUNY (USA)

5:30-6:00 Discussion

7:00-8:00 IEMA Samuel M. Paley Library Opening Ceremony
Totem Pole Room (UB Department of Anthropology, Ellicott Complex)

8:00-10:00 Welcome Reception and Buffet
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SUNDAY, 3 APRIL 2016

SESSION THREE: LAYOUT AND ORGANIZATION

9:00-9:30 Separation and Unity: Spatial Organization and Social Order at Neolithic Settlement Complexes on the Great Hungarian Plain

Pál Raczyk – Eötvös Loránd University (Hungary)

9:30-10:00 Trypillia Mega-Sites—The First Cities in Europe?

Bisserka Gaydarska – Durham University (UK)

10:00-10:30 Integration and Disintegration: The Role of Kiva Architecture in Community Formation and the Construction of Identity in the Prehispanic U.S. Southwest

Susan C. Ryan – Crow Canyon Archaeological Center (USA)

10:30-11:00 Coffee Break

11:00-11:30 Visual Competition Strategies in Roman Urban Architecture: Micro-Viewshed Analysis at Pompeii

Alan Kaiser – University of Evansville (USA)

11:30-12:00 Discussion

12:00-1:00 Lunch

SESSION FOUR: AGGREGATION IN LONG-TERM PERSPECTIVE

1:00-1:30 Aggregation and Dispersal from a Long-Term Social Perspective: Rural Landscapes of the Northwestern Iberian Peninsula from the Iron Age to the Early Roman Period

Inés Sastre – Spanish National Research Council (Spain)
Brais X. Currás – University of Coimbra (Portugal)
1:30-2:00 Settlement Aggregation and Geopolitical Realignment in the Northeastern Woodlands
Jennifer Birch – University of Georgia (USA)

2:00-2:30 Discussion

2:30-3:00 Coffee Break

3:00-4:30 Webcast Discussion:
Lessons to Learn (or Rewrite?): The Archaeological Record, and Understanding Past and Present Urban Matters

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Michael E. Smith

Invited Discussant:
Ashima Krishna – University at Buffalo, SUNY (USA)

6:00-9:00 Farewell Dinner
Atrium, UB Anderson Gallery (near South Campus)