**Thursday, 4th February 2016**

**Venue:**
The University of Bern, Switzerland. Building UniS Schanzeneck, Room A003

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<td><strong>Opening Conference</strong></td>
<td>University of Bern</td>
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**Session 1: Turkmenistan**

Chair: Carlo Lippolis

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<td><strong>Formation of the earliest urban centre in Central Asia</strong> (according to materials from Altyn-Depe)**</td>
<td>Kircho Lyubov Institute for the History of Material Culture, St. Petersburg (RU)</td>
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<td><strong>City of Kings and Gods Gonur Depe – A Capital of Margush Country: Its Opening by Prof. Victor Sarianidi in Turkmenistan and Newest Discoveries</strong></td>
<td>Dubova Nadezhda Institute of Ethnology and Anthropology of Russian Academy of Sciences, Moscow (RU)</td>
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<td>14:05</td>
<td><strong>The Swiss Research at Gonur Depe in 2014 and 2015</strong></td>
<td>Winkelmann Silvia University of Bern, Bern (CH)</td>
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**Session 2: Turkmenistan / Uzbekistan**

Chair: Pavel Lurje

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<td><strong>Parthian Nisa: landscape, topography and settlement plan</strong></td>
<td>Lippolis Carlo Università Torino - Centro Ricerche Archeologiche e Scavi di Torino (IT)</td>
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<td>15:40</td>
<td><strong>The phenomenon of urbanization between the Bronze and Iron Ages in the alluvial fan of the Murghab River (Turkmenistan). First data from the excavation of the Bronze Age sedentary site of Togolok 1</strong></td>
<td>Cerasetti Barbara University of Bologna, Bologna (IT)</td>
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<td><strong>Settlement patterns at the Sasanian time in South Turkmenistan (Preliminary survey results in the Abiverd and Merv regions in 2014-2015)</strong></td>
<td>Kurbanov Aydogdy Institute of Archaeology and Ethnography, Ashgabat (TM)</td>
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<td><strong>The Excavations at Kojtepa (Samarkand Area) (Uzbekistan: First Results and Work Perspectives</strong></td>
<td>Genito Bruno Università degli Studi di Napoli, Napoli (IT)</td>
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<td><strong>Society for the Exploration of EurAsia: Objectives and projects 2004-2015</strong></td>
<td>Baumer Christoph Society for the Exploration of EurAsia, Hergiswil (CH)</td>
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<td><strong>Key Note:</strong> The Long Spell of the Territory – Population – Resources Paradigm: Reading the Settlement Landscape in the Spiral of Time**</td>
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Friday, 5th February 2016

Venue:
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Session 3: Uzbekistan
Chair: Sören Stark

08:30  Protohistoric settlement pattern in Central Asia: the case of Ulug-depe and Dzharkutan during the Bronze Age.  Benezdu-Sarmiento Julio  Kabul (AF)

08:55  Protohistoric settlement pattern in Central Asia: the case of Ulug-depe and Dzharkutan during the Iron Age.  Lhuillier Johanna  CNRS, Paris (F)

09:20  Urbanism in Sogdiana? A view from the western fringes of the Bukhara oasis  Kidd Fiona  New York University, Abu Dhabi (AE)

09:45  Discussion

10:05  Coffee Break

Session 4: Uzbekistan
Chair: Bruno Genito

10:30  Urbanscape vs. Landscape or Urbanscape as Landscape? A case from ancient Samarkand (Sogdiana)  Mantellini Simone  University of Bologna, Bologna (IT)

10:55  Pottery assemblage of Early Hellenistic time from the Sogdian City Pakend  Omelchenko Andrey  State Hermitage Museum, St. Petersburg (RU)

11:20  The Hellenistic fortress of Bactria Uzundara  Dvurechenskaya Nigora  Russian Academy of Sciences, Moscow (RU)

11:45  Urban Hinterlands: Five years of investigations along the “Long Wall” of Bukhara  Stark Sören  New York University, New York (US)

12:10  Discussion

12:40  Lunch

Session 5: Uzbekistan
Chair: TBA

14:00  Archaeological investigations at Vardāna: preliminary results  Pozzi Silvia  Università l'Orientale di Napoli, Napoli (IT)

14:25  Archaeological investigations on Qarshovultepa  Sheyko Konstantin  Taskent (UZ)

14:50  Burials of urban population of Chach  Ivanov Genadiy  Ferghana Museum, Samarkand (UZ)

15:15  Elements of military equipment as votive offerings at Qarshovultepa  Ilyasov Djangar  Bamberg University, Bamberg (DE)

15:40  Discussion

16:00  Coffee Break

Session 6: Tajikistan / Kyrgyzstan
Chair: Nadezhda Dubova

16:25  Sanjar-Shah – a Sogdian Town in the Zeravshan Valley. Some Preliminary Results of the Recent Archaeological  Shenkar Michael  German Archaeological Institute, Berlin (DE)

16:50  The Study of Ceramics from Sanjar-Shah: Technological, Cultural and Administrative Connections with Panjikent  Kurbanov Sharof  Tajik Academy of Sciences, Dushanbe (TJ)

17:15  Hisorak in the Upper Zeravshan valley and its Bactrian connections  Lurje Pavel  State Hermitage Museum, St. Petersburg (RU)

17:40  One of the temples of the buddhist monastery in Krasnaya Rechka (Northern Kyrgyzstan)  Kulish Alexey  State Hermitage Museum, St. Petersburg (RU)

18:05  Discussion

18:30  Dinner  Invited Speakers only

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Saturday, 6th February 2016

Venue:
The University of Bern, Switzerland. Building Unitobler, Lerchenweg 36, 3000 Bern, Room F 021

Session 7: Kyrgyzstan
Chair: Jan Bemmann

08:30 Results of archaeological excavations on the site Novopokrovskoe II 2004-2014
Rott Philipp
Universität Bonn, Berlin (DE)

08:55 Urban development in the Chu Valley in the Middle Ages in context of the archaeological materials of Novopokrovskoe II, Kyrgyzstan.
Kolchenko Valery
Institut für Geschichte und Kulturerbe der Nationalen Akademie der Wissenschaften Kyrgyzstans, Bishkek (KG)

09:20 Nomadic Urbanism: New discoveries of highland cities of the Kharakhanid Empire
Frachetti Michael
Washington University, St. Louis (US)

09:45 Discussion

10:05 Coffee Break

Session 8: Mongolia / Kazakhstan
Chair: Aydogdy Kurbanov

10:30 Urban cultures of Inner Asian Nomadic Empires: from Xiongnu to Mongols
Kradin Nikolay
Institute of History and Archaeology, Vladivostok (RU)

10:55 Aspects of Urbanization und Centrality in Nomadic Empires of Mongolia
Bemmann Jan
University of Bonn, Bonn (DE)

11:20 Walled Sites in the Inner Syrdarya delta: Evidences of Non-Permanent Urbanism during the Iron Age (2nd half of the 1st millennium BC)
Bonora Gian Luca
"L.N. Gumilev" Eurasian National University, Astana (KZ)

11:45 Cross-planed constructions in the Tianshan Foothills region
Torgoev Asan
State Hermitage Museum, St. Petersburg (RU)

12:10 Discussion

12:40 Lunch

Session 9: Kazakhstan
Chair: Michael Frachetti

14:00 Dzhuvara – Ancient Capital of Oguz in the Light of Recent Archaeological Excavations
Voyakin Dmitriy
Archaeological Expertise LLC, Almaty (KZ)

14:25 Kuirykto site – medieval Keder
Baipakov Karl
Institute of Archaeology MES RK, Almaty (KZ)

14:50 On the interpretation of the female figure on a ceramic fragment from Taraz
Eder Saltanat
University of Bonn, Ampass (AT)

15:15 Key Note:
The connected oasis: Ancient Khorezm between the Near East and the Eurasian steppes.
Kidd Fiona
New York University, Abu Dhabi (AE)

16:00 Questions

16:30 Coffee Break

Closing Session
Chair: Mirko Novak

16:55 Concluding discussion of the conference
Moderator:
Novak Mirko
University of Bern

18:20 Closure of Conference
University of Bern

18:30 Dinner
Invited Speakers only

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