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**DAY 1: FRIDAY, April 15<sup>th</sup>**  
**Oriental Institute, Breasted Hall**

**8:00-9:00 CHECK-IN: ORIENTAL INSTITUTE LOBBY**

9:00 - 10:00 SESSION 1

9:00 Welcome - Alan Kolata (Chair, Department of Anthropology, University of Chicago)

9:10 Introductory Notes - Adam T. Smith (University of Chicago)

9:15 **Introductory Lecture** - *Ludmila Koryakova* (Institute of History and Archaeology, Ural Division of the Russian Academy of Sciences) - **Social Landscape of North-Central Eurasia and its Transformations during the Second Millennium BC**

**10:00-10:20 BREAK (LASALLE ROOM)**

10:20 - 12:20 SESSION 2

**From Culture to the Institutions of Social Life**

Session moderator: Geoff Emberling (University of Chicago)

**From Extended Families to Incipient Polities: The Growth of Social Complexity in the Early Bronze Age of the Plain of Ararat**

*Gregory Areshian* (University of California at Los Angeles)

**Method and Theory in the Variation of Bronze Age Eurasian Landscapes: From the whole to its parts and back again**

*Michael D. Frachetti* (University of Pennsylvania)

**Metalwork in the Social and Cultural Landscape of Bronze Age Pastoralists**

*David L. Peterson* (University of Chicago), *Pavel Kuznetsov* (Institute of History and Archaeology of the Volga Region, Russia), *Oleg Mochalov* (Samara State Pedagogical University, Russia), *Peter Northover* (Oxford University), *Emmett Brown*, *Audrey Brown*

**Middle to Late Bronze Age Socio-Economic Dynamics in the Southern Urals, Russia**

*Bryan Hanks* (University of Pittsburgh), *Andrei Epimakov* (South Ural State University, Russia) & *Colin Renfrew* (Cambridge University)

**As for the Nomads, They Lived on the Marsh Meadows: Understanding Shifting Bronze Age Settlement Patterns in the Samara River Valley, Russia**

*Laura M.S. Popova* (University of Chicago)

**Early Social Complexity in the South Caucasus: Recent Investigations of Project ArAGATS in the Tsaghkahovit Plain, Armenia**

*Adam T. Smith* (University of Chicago), *Ruben Badalyan* (Institute of Archaeology, Armenia), and *Pavel Avetisyan* (Institute of Archaeology, Armenia)

**12:20 - 1:20 LUNCH (LASALLE ROOM)**

1:20 - 3:20 SESSION 3

**Social Landscapes and Memory**

Session moderator: Michael Dietler (University of Chicago)

**Mobility, Monumentality and Ritual in the Bronze Age of Khanuy Valley, Central Mongolia**

*Francis Allard* (Indiana University of Pennsylvania)

**The Landscape of the Islamic Frontier: General remarks on archaeological features, medieval geographical representations and the importance of Islamic spatial discourses**

*Ian B. Straughn* (University of Chicago)

**Unforgettable Landscapes: Attachments to the Past in Hellenistic Armenia**

*Lori Khatchadourian* (University of Michigan)

**Space and Society beyond Mount Qaf: Archaeological evidence and cultural contact between the Khazar Empire and the Islamic Caliphate**

*Irina Harris Shingiray* (Boston University)

**Archaeological Politics: Imaginary Identity of an Imaginary Geography**

*G. Bike Yazicioglu* (University of Chicago)

**The Past in the Present: The Use of Ancient Symbols by Modern Nationalists in the Former Yugoslavia**

*Jennifer Skrametti* (University of Georgia)

**3:20-3:40 BREAK**

3:40 – 5:00 SESSION 4

**Gender and Identity**

Session moderator: Kathryn Linduff (University of Pittsburgh)

**Gendered Identity and the ‘Warrior’ Ethos within Early Iron Age Steppe Societies**

*Ekaterina Efimova* (University of Pittsburgh) and *Bryan Hanks* (University of Pittsburgh)

**The Gender of Luxury and Power among the Xiongnu in Eastern Eurasia**

*Katheryn M. Linduff* (University of Pittsburgh)

**Gender and the Horse Culture in Bronze Age China**

*Sarah Milledge Nelson* (University of Denver)

**Tillya Tepe: Aspects of Gender and Identity**

*Karen Rubinson* (Barnard College)

**Evening Reception**

5:00-6:00 Oriental Institute Museum Open

6:00-7:00 Dinner

7:00-8:00 **Plenary Lecture: *John Chapman* (University of Durham) - Integrating Fragmentation Practices into Landscape Archaeology**

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**DAY 2: SATURDAY, April 16<sup>th</sup>**

**Oriental Institute, Breasted Hall and LaSalle Room**

On day 2 the conference will split into two concurrent sessions (A and B).

Session A will be held in Breasted Hall on the first floor of the Oriental Institute

Session B will be held in the LaSalle Room in the basement of the Oriental Institute

9:00 - 10:20 SESSION 5A (BREASTED HALL)

**Crafting the Social**

Session moderator: David Peterson (University of Chicago)

**Constructing Political Order: Landscape and Legitimacy in South Caucasia during the Mid-Second Millennium B.C.**

*Ian C. Lindsay* (University of California at Santa Barbara)

**Tempered Progress: The Politics of Social Production - A Study of Sherd Microscopy from the Late Bronze Age Tsakahovit Plain, Armenia**

*Alan Greene* (University of Chicago)

**Ceramics from Yanshi Shang City: A Preliminary Technography**

*Charles W. Hartley* (University of Chicago)

**Fiber Technology in the Copper Age Botai Culture of Northern Kazakhstan**

*Sandra Olsen* (Carnegie Museum of Natural History) and *Deborah Harding* (Carnegie Museum of Natural History)

9:00 - 10:20 SESSION 5B (LASALLE ROOM)

**Landscapes of the Living, Landscapes of the Dead**

Session moderator: Steven Harvey (University of Chicago)

The World of the Living and the World of the Dead: Opposition or Integration  
*Bisserka Gaydarska* (University of Durham)

**Stone Carvings of Kyrgyzstan**

*Kubatbek Tabaldiev* (American University in Central Asia and Kyrgyz-Turkish “Manas” University)

**Foreign Elements in the Formation of Social Landscape of the Early Nomads in Pazyryk, Southern Siberia**

*Xin Wu* (University of Pennsylvania)

**Dynamics of Anthropogenic Threats in Natural Landscape and Cultural Heritage of Sarmishsai Valley: New Approaches and Measures for their Conservation**

*Muhiddin M. Khujanazarov* (Institute of Archaeology, Academy of Sciences - Uzbekistan), *Alisher M. Khujanazarov* (University of Warsaw) & *Marina Reutova* (Institute of Archaeology, Academy of Sciences - Uzbekistan)

**10:20-10:40 BREAK**

10:40 - 12:20 SESSION 6A (BREASTED HALL)

**Exchange, Contact, and Conflict**

Session moderator: Laura Popova (University of Chicago)

**Exchange patterns along the Great Silk road during the Bronze Age (Third and Second Millennium BC)**

*Petar Zidarov* (Tübingen University)

**Redefining the Ahar-Banas and its Contacts with Central Asia and the Indus: Recent Finds from Gilund, Rajasthan, India**

*Marta Ameri* (New York University)

**Trade, Trade Routes and Cross-Cultural Communication in the Ferghana Valley during the Early Centuries CE**

*Fiona Kidd* (University of Sydney)

**Early Transcaucasia’s Deep South: “Khirbet Kerak Folk” at Khirbet Kerak (Tel Bet Yerah)**

*Raphael Greenberg* (Tel-Aviv University)

**Mercenaries and City Rulers: Early Turks in 6th-8th Century Transoxania**  
*Sören Stark* (University of Halle)

10:40- 12:20 SESSION 6B (LASALLE ROOM)

**Built Worlds: Settlements and Cities**

Session moderator: Mark Lycett (University of Chicago)

**Surveying the “Invisible Culture:” Methodological Considerations for Settlement Archaeology in Mongolia**

*Jean-Luc Houle* (University of Pittsburgh)

**Tauric Chersonesos: A Case History of an Interdisciplinary Archaeological Project in Crimea**

*Adam Rabinowitz* (University of Texas at Austin) and *Joseph Coleman Carter* (University of Texas at Austin)

**Cosmic Symbolism, Political Order, and the Production of Urban Landscape: A Study of Three Bronze Age Settlements in China**

*Hu Lin* (University of Chicago)

**Defining the Xiongnu Empire**

*Bryan K. Miller* (University of Pennsylvania)

**The Ancient Oasis Landscape of Chorasmia: A New Interpretation of a Local Central Asian Settlement Pattern**

*Michelle Negus Cleary* (University of Sydney)

**12:20 – 1:20 LUNCH**

1:20 - 3:20 SESSION 7A (BREASTED HALL)

**Society, Status, and Economy**

Session moderator: Shannon Dawdy (University of Chicago)

**Free at Last—The Herding-and-Gathering Srubnaya Economy at Krasno Samarskoe, Russia, and the End of the Parasitic Model of Steppe Pastoralism**

*David Anthony* (Hartwick College)

**The Social Stratification of the Hsiung-nu Nomadic Empire in Baikal Area**

*Nikolay N. Kradin* (Far East Branch, Russian Academy of Sciences, Institute of History, Archaeology, and Ethnography)

**Social Order of Hsiung-nu Society (Asian Huns)**

*Ursula Brosseder* (The Alexander von Humboldt Foundation at the Russian Academy of Science, Siberian Branch, Novosibirsk)

**The Developmental Stages of the Tagar Culture in the South Siberia**

*Nikolay Anatolievich Bokovenko* (Institute of Archaeology – St. Petersburg, Russia)

**The Emergence of the Karasuk Culture: New Socioeconomic Foundations versus Cultural Continuity**

*Sophie Legrand* (Institute of Archaeology, University of Paris)

**Utopian City-State or Hierarchical Bronze Age Hegemony? Domestic Architecture and Social Order at Mohenjo Daro, Pakistan**

*Ed Cork* (University of Durham)

1:20 - 3:20 SESSION 7B (LASALLE ROOM)

**Human-Environment Interactions**

Session moderator: Kathleen Morrison (University of Chicago)

**The Rural Hinterland of Tauric-Chersonesos (SW Crimea): Geoarchaeological and Paleoecological Research**

*Carlos E. Cordova* (Oklahoma State University) and *Paul H. Lehman* (University of Texas at Austin)

**Prehistoric Salt Exploitation in Central Anatolia**

*Burcin Erdogan* (University of Thrace-Edrine, Turkey)

**A Study of Macrobotanical Remains from a Russian Forest-Steppe Site**

*Madeleine McLeester* (University of Chicago)

**Nomadism in Early Bronze Age Southern Transcaucasia: The Faunal Perspective**

*Belinda H. Monahan* (Northwestern University)

**Domestic Architecture of the Late Bronze Age Sabatinovka Culture in the Steppe of the Southern Ukraine in the Light of Natural Resources**

*Magda Pieniazek-Sikora* (Institut fuer Ur- und Fruehgeschichte Tuebingen)

**The Agriculture of the Golden Horde**

*Leonard Nedashkovsky* (Kazan State University)

**3:20-4:00 BREAK**

4:00 - 5:00 SESSION 8 (BREASTED HALL)

Moderator: Adam T. Smith (University of Chicago)

4:00 **Closing Lecture:** *Konstantin Kremenetski* (Institute of Geography, Russian Academy of Sciences) - **Holocene Climate History of the Steppe and Forest-Steppe Belt of Eurasia**

5:00 Conference Concludes