



RED SEA VIII: COVETED TREASURE

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of the Red Sea region and their environment

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Polish Centre of Mediterranean Archaeology, University of Warsaw
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USEFUL INFO

REGISTRATION

The Arabian Red Sea Route Workshop

Registration opens Monday, 3 July, at 9.00 a.m. at the Workshop Venue in the Institute of Archaeology (First Floor corridor, Room 210).

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EARLY REGISTRATION

At the Registration Desk in the Institute of Archaeology (First Floor corridor, Room 210) on Monday, 3 July, between 4.30 and 7.30 p.m.

REGISTRATION

At the conference venue in the Old University Library (First Floor, Room 107) on Tuesday, 4 July, from 8.30 a.m.

Conference fees can be paid at the desk. If you need a proper invoice, be sure to let us know at once.

The REGISTRATION DESK will be manned by our Volunteers throughout the conference (except for Thursday, 6 July), ready to provide information and address any issues that may arise. You can also contact any of the Organizers at any moment.

Posters should be deposited with the REGISTRATION DESK when you arrive. We will take care of the presentation.

If you decided to attend the Farewell Dinner, please sign up at the REGISTRATION DESK by the morning coffee break on Thursday, 6 July. The Dinner fee is 35 EUR.

Last call for trips and excursions on Saturday and Sunday is on Tuesday, 4 July, by the end of the day. The Conference Trip fee is 45 EUR.

CONFERENCE VENUES

Red Sea VIII: Coveted Treasure

The opening session and the conferences on Wednesday and Friday will all be held at the Old University Library on the Main Campus, in Room 107 on the first floor. The building is easy to find once you enter the Main Gate of the University from Krakowskie Przedmieście St. It stands a little back from the gate, directly opposite it — you will see signs to direct you.

On Thursday, 6 July, the archaeometallurgical session will be hosted generously by our Partner, the State Archaeological Museum in Warsaw at Długa 52 St. (instructions are in the Conference Booklet and will be available from the REGISTRATION DESK). Entrance is through the main door of the Museum; please note that it is located at the other side of the building. We start at 9 a.m. Your best bet to reach the Museum is to get to the Metro Ratusz-Arsenał station (see the Public transport section below) — again, look for guiding signs.

The Museum encourages you to explore its collections during the day. It is also a good starting point for a walking tour of the Old Town of Warsaw.

Participants of the 'Bead Road' Panel will have to move back to the Main Campus for their last session on Thursday, which starts at the Old University Library at 4.00 p.m. The 20-minute walk back to the Main Campus is a good opportunity to stretch your legs and it will take you past some landmarks and through part of the Old Town.

Everyone can come visit the Faras Gallery at the National Museum in Warsaw, which is open until 9 p.m. on Thursdays. Members of the Organizing Team will be there to welcome you from 7 p.m.

The Arabian Red Sea Route Workshop

On Monday 3 July, the workshop will be held at the Institute of Archaeology on the Main Campus of the University. Remember when there that you are in a building that was the main University office with reading rooms for the professors for most of the 19th century and that, fortunately, the building escaped any major destruction during the sundry wars of recent turbulent Polish history.

Entrance on this day is exceptionally not through the front door, but through a side door to the right of the building.

LUNCHTIME

There are many nice places nearby to take your lunch during the day. Once you leave the University Campus through the Main Gate, you can turn right in the direction of the Old Town and find places within a 10-minute walk.

Alternatively, you can turn left and walk down Krakowskie Przedmieście St, pass the Copernicus Monument in front of the Polish Academy of Sciences and reach within 10 minutes leisurely walk the Nowy Świat Street, *New World Street*), one of the main historic thoroughfares of Warsaw, part of the Royal Route which joined the Royal Castle and the Old Town to King John III Sobieski's 17th-century royal residence at Wilanów. It now boasts many shops, restaurants and cafes: *Zapiecek* serving Polish "pierogi", *Pizza Eataliana*, *La Cantina*, *Bar Familijny* (very cheap), *Grycan* (ice cream), *A.Blikle* (traditional "pączki" with rose petal preserves!), and many others. Feel free to explore the back of the main street!



Even closer, right outside the University, you will find several places, including a very cost-effective small establishment called JAJKO, and down Obożna Street toward the Vistula, *Sueno Tapas Bar*, *Kafefajka* with a traditional Egyptian *shisha* for those who like it.



EVENTS & TRIPS

Social events are a must and the Rector of the University of Warsaw together with the Director of the Polish Centre of Mediterranean Archaeology are kindly offering a welcome cocktail at the Kazimierzowski Palace Gardens on the first day of the Conference Tuesday, 4 July.

The Farewell Dinner with live music by the Folkers band will be held on Friday, 7 July, at the Aleje 3 Restaurant in the National Museum in Warsaw.

On Wednesday, 5 July, join us for an informal evening on the Vistula. An opportunity to stretch your legs after a long day at the conference, while enjoying the better part of the river walkway, passing the new building of the University Library (well worth a view), the Copernicus Science Center and the pavilion of the Museum on the Vistula, on loan from the Thyssen-Bornemisza Art Contemporary Foundation. Details of the walk and entertainment will be given later depending on the weather.

Participants in the Conference are also invited to a General Meeting on Friday, 7 July, during the lunch break. The case will be put forward for setting up a society for Red Sea Studies. A complimentary lunch will be served to all those attending.

The participants of the *Arabian Red Sea Route* workshop on Monday, 3 July, will have a complimentary lunch served and will have an opportunity to get together in the evening.

The Conference trip on Saturday will take us to the Holy Cross Mountains region of Poland, one of the most beautiful summer locations. The main point of interest is a visit to the Neolithic flint mine more than 5000 years old, which is a branch of the State Archaeological Museum. We shall also visit Europe's largest palatial residence before the construction of the Versailles (Krzyżtopór), and then spend a leisurely afternoon in Sandomierz before returning to Warsaw.



Alternatively, a day trip by train to Kraków, visiting the Wieliczka Salt Mine, a world famous UNESCO World Heritage site.



Finally, chilling out — for those still in Warsaw on Sunday, a visit to the Wilanów Palace Residence of King John III Sobieski and the reconstruction army camp where a royal forge works throughout the weekend.

INFORMATION FOR SPEAKERS

Papers cannot be longer than 20 minutes with an additional 10 minutes for discussion. The conference hall is equipped with a digital data projector system. A PC with Windows and Powerpoint software will be provided at the venue. Personal laptops may be used as well, although it is highly recommended to use the provided equipment, transferring presentations on USB memory sticks, in order to save time and the hassle of connecting equipment.

Macintosh users: Please note that you should provide your own computer and confirm that it has a VGA socket for external signal or an adapter that will connect your Mac to the projector.

Posters will be on display in the foyer of the conference. The coffee/tea/juice break on Wednesday, 5 July, from 11.30 to 12.30, has been slotted as a separate Poster session. Authors are requested to be present by their posters during this session.

Stands will be provided along with the essential equipment and materials for mounting. You can leave the poster with the Registration Desk and we shall take care to mount it. Posters will be removed Friday evening (7 July).

The size is a regular 100 cm by 70 cm. Guidelines suggested by the BFSA on their website for conference posters provide useful information that authors may not be aware of: "Text should be large enough to be easily read from 1 to 1.5 m away from the poster. Use a San Serif font, e.g. Arial. Title: a font size at least 24 mm in height (e.g., Arial pt 112); subheadings and names of contributors: at least 8 mm in height (e.g., Arial pt 36), body text and captions: at least 4 mm in height (e.g., Arial 14 pt)", and

"There is no word limit for the conference poster itself, or a limit on the number of illustrations, but please bear in mind that the purpose is to outline the essentials of a piece of research in a form that will stimulate discussion between the presenter(s) and the viewer".

Thank you, BSFA!

INTERNET ACCESS

The University of Warsaw provides free wireless Internet access in the Old Library venue. Please find the network **RedSea8** and use the password **Berenike17**.

MOVING AROUND TOWN – PUBLIC TRANSPORT

Connections and timetables:

www.ztm.waw.pl

jakdojade.pl/warszawa

Lines

Metro (underground railway) has two lines (M1 running north–south and M2 running east–west) interconnected at Świętokrzyska station. It runs approximately from 5 a.m. to 1 a.m. (on Friday and Saturday nights until 3 a.m.).

Bus lines are numbered 100–399 (standard) and 400–599 (fast lines with fewer stops). Day lines run between 5 a.m. – 11 p.m., night lines buses are marked with the letter "N" followed by a number, e.g. "N11".

Tram lines are numbered 1–79.

Trains of Szybka Kolej Miejska (SKM, Urban Rapid Rail) are marked with the letter "S" and a number.

Tickets

Time and single transfer tickets: unlimited number of journeys for **20, 75** or **90 minutes** from their validation.



Short term tickets: unlimited number of journeys for **24** or **72 hours** from their validation.



* All conference venues are located within the first tariff zone (Strefa 1).

Tickets may be bought in the Passenger Service Centers (*Punkt Obsługi Pasażerów*), newsstands (look for a sign: *Sprzedaż biletów ZTM*) and ticket vending machines located near bus stops and metro stations which accept either cash or credit card. There are also ticket vending machines in most buses but in some cases they accept only one method of payment.

Tickets should be validated immediately after boarding the vehicle (in the yellow validating machine by the door) or at the entrance gate to the metro platform. When you ride on several buses on the same ticket, it only needs to be validated during the first journey. When you want to go by metro and have already validated your ticket, it serves to open the entrance gate to the platform.

Directions

From the Frederic Chopin Airport

- to the city center and University of Warsaw, Main Campus:
 - by bus 175 to UNIWERSYTET bus stop --> one 75-minute ticket;
 - by SKM train S2 to WARSZAWA ŚRÓDMIEŚCIE station, then by metro (M1 line from CENTRUM station, change at ŚWIĘTOKRZYSKA station to M2 line and get off at NOWY ŚWIAT-UNIWERSYTET station) --> one 75-minute ticket;
 - by taxi (recommended licensed taxi services offered at the airport: Ele Taxi +48 22 811 11 11, Super Taxi +48 22 196 22, Sawa Taxi +48 22 644 44 44); the fare from the airport to the city center is approximately 40–50 PLN.
- to the IBIS Hotel (ul. Muranowska 2):
 - by bus 175 to UNIWERSYTET bus stop, change to bus 116 or 503 and get off at MURANOWSKA bus stop --> one 75-minute ticket.

From the Modlin Airport

- to the city center and University of Warsaw, Main Campus:
 - by ModlinBus (not public transport, tickets can be bought in the ticket office at the airport or from the driver) to the stop by the Palace of Culture and Science --> 33 PLN, then by metro (M1 line from CENTRUM station, change at ŚWIĘTOKRZYSKA station to M2 line and get off at NOWY ŚWIAT-UNIWERSYTET station) --> one 20-minute ticket;
 - by special bus and Koleje Mazowieckie train (not public transport, tickets called Bilet Lotniskowy can be bought at the airport) to WARSZAWA ŚRÓDMIEŚCIE station, then by metro (M1 line from CENTRUM station, change at ŚWIĘTOKRZYSKA station to M2 line and get off at NOWY ŚWIAT-UNIWERSYTET station) --> one 20-minute ticket.

University of Warsaw, Main Campus

Krakowskie Przedmieście 26/28

Bus stop: UNIWERSYTET (in front of the gate)

Buses 102, 105, 111, 116, 128, 175, 178, 180, 222, 503

From the IBIS Hotel (bus stop: MURANOWSKA) buses 116, 503 --> one 20-minute ticket.

Metro station (second line, M2): NOWY ŚWIAT-UNIWERSYTET



After leaving the train, go in the direction of *Świętokrzyska, Nowy Świat, Krakowskie Przedmieście* (Exit 1), go up the escalators and turn right, go straight on through the exit gate and take the escalator on your right. Once on the street, go straight on to the crossroads and turn left into Nowy Świat street. After about 300 m you'll see the gate to the University's Main Campus on your right.

State Archaeological Museum (Państwowe Muzeum Archeologiczne)

Długa 52

Metro station (first line, M1): RATUSZ-ARSENAL

After leaving the train, go in the direction of *ul. Nowolipki*, go up the escalators and straight on through the exit gate and turn left (*Arsenał, Ogród Krasińskich, ul. Długa*). Once on the street, you will see the Museum building on your left but you have to go round the back to reach the entrance.



EMERGENCY AND ASSISTANCE

In emergencies call the emergency number 112 or one of the following: 999 ambulance, 998 firefighters, 997 police.

You may also contact the Organizers:

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MONEY EXCHANGE

We still have the Polish zloty (PLN) which means that Euros are hardly ever accepted.

The current official bank exchange rate is 1 euro = 4.23 PLN; 1 US dollar = 3.78 PLN

Change your money at banks, exchange offices (bureaus de change = kantor), occasionally at hotels. There is no exchange fee (commission). Be advised not to change your money at the airport owing to unfavorable rates. ATMs are available almost everywhere in Warsaw and all popular credit cards are widely accepted. Taxis accepting cards have appropriate signage on their door windows.

POWER VOLTAGE

The power voltage in Poland is 230 V, 50 Hz and European plugs with two circular metal pins are used.

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www.use-it-warsaw.pl — a free, non-commercial, interactive map-guide to Warsaw for smartphone users