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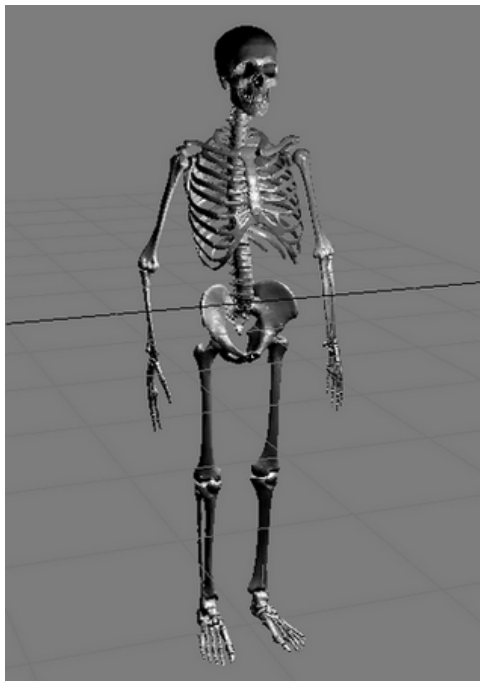
10.30 – 17.00

IKANT (6TH FLOOR)

ROOM 06.39 (BIBLIOTHEK)

HOLLANDSTRASSE 11–13

1020 WIEN



DISABILITY IN LATE PREHISTORY

CONCEPTS, METHODS AND ETHICS

A ROUND TABLE



PROGRAMME

Disability is a contested concept. Definitions of disability vary in different communities, countries, legal systems as well as in individual understanding and self-representation. Within this frame, archaeology can provide key insights into how attitudes to disability vary cross-culturally and through time.

This round table addresses the relation between physical impairment and social ideas about disability in our distant past. It seeks to explore past disability by addressing issues such as marginality and social exclusion; identity, gender and the life-course; the use of bioarchaeology and other science-based methods to investigate past disease and healthcare; and the role of the environment in dynamics affecting disabled individuals in deep history. It also aims to discuss the challenges that researchers face when presenting such a delicate topic to an academic audience and the public.

INTRODUCTION

10:30–10:45 Get together & coffee

10:45–11:00 **Elisa Perego (Vienna & London)**

Disability in late prehistory

SESSION 1: IDENTITY, GENDER & THE LIFE-COURSE

Chair: Elisa Perego (Vienna & London)

Discussant: Katharina Rebay-Salisbury (Vienna)

11:00–11:30 **Lucy Shipley**

Birth, biographies, bodies: archaeology and birth trauma

11:30–12:30 Round table discussion

12:30–14:00 LUNCH BREAK

SESSION 2: METHODOLOGY AND DEFINITIONS

Chair: Elisa Perego (Vienna & London) and Veronica Tamorri (London)

Individual talks are followed by round table discussion

14:00–14:30 **Lorenzo Zamboni (Pavia), Massimo Saracino, Vera Zanoni and Elisa Perego (Vienna & London)**
Children of a Lesser God? Evidence of disabilities in late prehistoric Italy

14:30–14:45 **Elisa Perego (Vienna & London)**
Spina bifida: a case study in the bio-archaeology of disability

14:45–15:15 COFFEE BREAK

15:15–15:45 **Rafael Scopacasa (UFMG & Exeter) and Elisa Perego (Vienna & London)**
Environmental stress and disability: problems and perspectives

15:45–16:15 **Veronica Tamorri (London)**
Funerary perspectives on disability: the use of taphonomy-based methods

SESSION 3: ETHICS: ADDRESSING DIFFICULT TOPICS IN RESEARCH AND PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

Chair: Elisa Perego (Vienna & London)

Discussant: Eva Reder (Vienna)

16:15–17:00 Round table discussion

17:00 Drinks at OREA

19:00 Dinner for speakers & discussants



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