

Call for Papers for the Nea Paphos III Colloquium, Athens 29-31 October 2020

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Nea Paphos Colloquium III: Another acropolis at Paphos: *Fabrika* hill and beyond

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Athens, Greece

Following on from successful scientific meetings on the history and archaeology of Paphos held in Avignon in 2012 and in Paphos in 2017, a third colloquium will be hosted in Athens in October 2020.

2020 marks the 25th anniversary of the University of Sydney's excavations at the theatre on the southern slope of *Fabrika* hill in the north-eastern quarter of the World Heritage listed city of Nea Paphos in Cyprus. Subsequently the French archaeological expedition at Paphos (Avignon Université), created in 2008, started to reveal new evidence of the occupation of the hill from the Hellenistic to the Medieval period and a number of important projects have continued to explore various aspects of the areas surrounding *Fabrika* hill led by the Department of Antiquities or foreign missions.

This third colloquium aims to place this newer research on *Fabrika* hill but also to place this area of Paphos within the broader historical context of the rest of Hellenistic-Medieval Paphos and across the broader region of western Cyprus. *Fabrika* hill can now truly be seen as a second acropolis for the Hellenistic and Roman city, so what activities can now be identified to integrate this hill into what we know about other parts of the city and harbour of Nea Paphos.

The languages of the colloquium will be Greek, French and English.

We invite interested scholars to present their new findings and thoughts on the following themes and materials:

- Chronological explorations of *Fabrika* hill and elsewhere in Paphos according to five main time frames:
 1. Pre-foundation material
 2. Hellenistic
 3. Roman
 4. Late Roman/Early Byzantine
 5. Medieval
- The development of a chronological understanding of the "longue durée" of *Fabrika* hill

- Aspects of Nea Paphos' history such as quarrying activities, urbanism and town layout, religious aspects of Fabrika, necropolies, water supply networks etc.
- *Fabrika* hill as a link between the urban centre of Nea Paphos and the hinterland and with Palaipaphos

Paper proposal including title, abstract and author details should be submitted by **15th of April 2020**. Papers can be submitted via email [here](#).

More details on venues and program will be provided closer to the conference dates.

The Organising Committee

Dr Claire Balandier, Dr Craig Barker and Dr Eustathios Raptou

The Scientific Committee

Dr Claire Balandier, Dr Craig Barker, Emeritus Professor Demetrios Michaelides, Dr Jolanta Mlynarczyk, Dr Eustathios Raptou and Dr Marina Solomidou-Ieronymidou

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The conference website will be updated with more details in due course:

<http://www.paphostheatre.org/nea-paphos-colloquium-iii.html>

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