

45th ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

ISSUES OF THE NEOLITHIC AND ENEOLITHIC 2026

5–8 October 2026

BÍTOV, CZECH REPUBLIC

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Institute of Archaeology of the Czech Academy of Sciences, Brno
&
South Moravian Museum in Znojmo

invite all scholars and enthusiasts interested
in the Neolithic and Eneolithic periods to a conference
devoted to current questions and new perspectives of research



PROGRAMME

Thematic lecture sessions
Poster and materials section
Flint-knapping workshop
Social evening with buffet reception



EXCURSION

The conference programme
will include a full-day excursion
combining boat and coach
transport



VENUE

Hotel Bítov***
(Znojmo District)
Czech Republic



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IMPORTANT DATES

Registration deadline: **30 June 2026**
Conference fee payment: **31 July 2026**



**ON-LINE
REGISTRATION
FORM**

Basic information

1st circular

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Preliminary conference programme

Monday, 5 October 2026

Forenoon – Arrival of participants and registration

Around noon – Opening of the conference, lecture sessions, lunch

Afternoon – Lecture sessions and poster section, dinner

Evening – Informal lecture by a distinguished specialist followed by a social gathering

Tuesday, 6 October 2026

Full-day excursion

Dinner upon return to the hotel

Evening – Tasting of local wines, free programme

Wednesday, 7 October 2026

Morning lecture session

Lunch

Afternoon lecture session

Evening – Conference social evening

Thursday, 8 October 2026

Forenoon – Artefacts section and flintknapping workshop with professional knapper P. Zítka

Around noon – Lunch, closing of the conference and departure of participants

The specified programme will be distributed to registered participants at the beginning of September 2026. The final programme will be circulated two weeks before the conference.



Registration information

Participation in the conference requires registration via the registration form. Participants may register either a standard oral presentation or a printed poster. In addition to conference papers, it will be newly possible to register for the materials section, which will provide space for discussion of archaeological finds and assemblages. **Registration for the conference is open until 30 June 2026.**

The conference is thematically focused on current issues in Neolithic and Eneolithic research in Central Europe. We welcome papers reflecting new theoretical and methodological approaches, as well as contributions presenting results concerning settlement structure and funerary practices. Contributions dealing with socio-economic aspects of prehistoric societies, distribution of lithic raw materials, or the development of manufacturing technologies of various artefact types within prehistoric households are equally encouraged. As customary, an integral part of the programme will be a section presenting the results of recent fieldwork excavations and newly launched grant-funded research projects.

The conference will be multilingual, with English as the preferred language. Contributions may also be presented in participants' native languages (Czech/Slovak/Polish/German); however, in such cases, authors are kindly requested to provide English translations of all texts included in presentations and posters. The specified programme will be distributed to registered participants at the beginning of September 2026. The final programme will be circulated two weeks before the conference.

Book of abstracts

A conference book of abstracts will be prepared. Participants are therefore requested to submit an abstract and five keywords together with the registration form. Abstracts should be prepared both in the language of the contribution and in English. In both cases, the abstract should not exceed 150 words (approximately 1,000 characters including spaces). One illustrative figure may be attached to the abstract (please do not embed it within the text; submit it as a separate file). Posters should be prepared in English in A0 format (1189 × 841 mm).

Conference fee

The conference fee is 2,000 CZK (€80), reduced to 1,000 CZK (€40) for students. The fee includes refreshments during breaks, transportation for the excursion, and the conference social evening.

Participants are kindly requested to pay the conference fee by 31 July 2026.

Account holder:

Czech Academy of Sciences, Institute of Archaeology, Brno
Čechyňská 363/19
602 00 Brno
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The conference fee is non-refundable and must be paid in advance. Payment on site will not be possible. Confirmation of payment will be issued to participants during registration.

Payments from abroad:

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Bank

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Accommodation

Accommodation will be provided at the conference venue – **Hotel Bítov***** (<https://www.hotel-bitov.cz/>). The entire hotel complex will be reserved exclusively for conference participants during the event. Accommodation will be booked automatically for all registered participants; therefore, no individual reservation is necessary. The hotel offers primarily double rooms, together with several triple and quadruple rooms.

Parking

A large parking area is available directly adjacent to the hotel and will be fully accessible to conference participants throughout the event. Additional parking spaces will be available along the hotel premises if required.

Catering

Meals will be provided at Hotel Bítov. Breakfast is included in the accommodation price. Lunch and dinner will also be available daily, but are not included in the conference fee (except for the conference buffet during the social evening). The menu selection will be sent to registered participants in one of the forthcoming circulars.

Excursion

The full-day excursion will take place on the second day of the conference (6 October 2026) and will consist of two parts. In the morning, participants will take a boat cruise on the Vranov Reservoir, during which they will be introduced to the history and archaeological sites in the vicinity of Bítov. Around noon, participants will return to Hotel Bítov for lunch. In the afternoon, the excursion will continue by bus to selected Neolithic and Eneolithic sites in the Znojmo District area. The excursion will conclude with a guided tour of the prehistoric permanent exhibition and the current exhibition “Landscape Buried by Time” at the South Moravian Museum in Znojmo. The detailed excursion itinerary, together with any additional instructions, will be communicated to registered participants in advance.

Looking forward to welcoming you to the event.

*On behalf of the organizing team,
Jaroslav Bartík and Alena Nejedlá*

