



# INVITATION

9-11th october 2019

Second Conference on Medieval Archaeology  
of the Danube Basin and the Russian Plain

SPATIAL DISTRIBUTION, INSIGNIA  
AND REPRESENTATION OF POWER  
IN THE EARLY AND HIGH MIDDLE AGES

Budapest - Visegrád - Esztergom







# PROGRAMME

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#### 9th October – ‘Power centres and their agglomeration – The spatial distribution of power’

16.00: *Welcome from*

**István Fodor**, Honorary Director of the Hungarian National Museum,  
**Gábor Tomka**, Deputy Director of the Hungarian National Museum,  
**Katalin Wollák**, General Secretary of the Hungarian Association for Archaeology and Art History

16.20: *Afternoon session in the Hungarian National Museum; chair: Tivadar Vida*

**Miklós Takács** (Institute of Archaeology, Research Centre for the Humanities): The settlement archaeology of the Avar Age in Hungary. Results and open questions

**Ágnes Füredi** (Pázmány Péter Catholic University): «...ubi iacere dicitur Toxun avus suus more paganismo» – О исследовании центра власти венгерских князев / On the research of the power centres of 10th century Hungarian princes

**Tamás Pusztai** (Hungarian National Museum) – **Klára P. Fischl** (University of Miskolc): Power centres in the Borsod plain in the Bronze Age and the Middle Ages

17.40: *coffee break*

18.00: *Evening session in the Hungarian National Museum; chair: Tivadar Vida*

**Nikolay Makarov** (Archaeological Institute, Russian Academy of Science): Social elite in the rural landscapes of North-Eastern Rus’: historical concepts and archaeological evidence

**Anastasia Fedorina** (Archaeological Institute, Russian Academy of Science): Mikhali 3 – Village in the suburbs of Suzdal: Material culture and settlement structures of 12th–15th centuries

**Olga Zelentsova** (Archaeological Institute, Russian Academy of Science): Lands of Mordva on the Eve of Mongolian Invasion: to the matter of early forms of statehood / Мордовские земли накануне монгольского нашествия: к вопросу о складывании раннегосударственных образований

19.20: *Reception and buffet dinner in the Hungarian National Museum*

#### 10th October – ‘Social patterns and markers of stratification – Insignia of power’

09.00: *Morning session in the Hungarian National Museum; chair: Miklós Takács*

**Zsófia Masek** (Institute of Archaeology, Research Centre for the Humanities): New Data on the Hunnic Cauldrons in Hungary

**Anna Szécsényi-Nagy** (Institute of Archaeology, Research Centre for the Humanities) – **Veronika Csáky** (IA RCH) – **Gergely Csiky** (IA RCH) – **István Koncz** (ELTE - Eötvös Loránd University)

– **Tivadar Vida** (ELTE - Eötvös Loránd University): Genetic and Archaeological Insights into the Origin and Social Organisation of the 7th-century Avar Elite Group in the Danube-Tisza Interfluve

**Bence Gulyás** (ELTE - Eötvös Loránd University): Anatomy of a Migration: Connections between the ‘Tiszántúl Region’ and the Eastern European steppe between the 6th–7th centuries AD

10.20: *coffee break*





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*10.40: Midday session in the Hungarian National Museum; chair: **József Laszlovszky***

**Nani Ugulava** (Archaeological Institute, Russian Academy of Science): The wheel-made pottery as satellite of the centres of statehood formation at the North-Eastern Rus

**Alexey Shevtsov** (State Historical Museum - Moscow) – Byzantine folles in Old Rus': tracing the dynamics of long distance trade connections

**Csete Katona** (Central European University): Production, trade and smuggling. Viking Age swords in Eastern Europe in light of the written sources

**Andrey Kudryavtsev** (Archaeological Institute, Russian Academy of Science): Locks and keys of the Novgorod and Novgorodian region in the 10th–11th centuries

*12.30: Lunch break*

*14.00: Afternoon session in the Hungarian National Museum; chair: **Anastasia Fedorina***

**Veronika Murasheva** (State Historical Museum - Moscow) – **Sergey Kainov** (State Historical

Museum - Moscow) – **Ekaterina Kovalenko** – **Konstantin Podurets** – **Viktor Glazkov** –

**Mikhail Murashev** – **Ilya Chichayev** – **Natalia Kolobykina** – **Elena Tereschenko** – **Ekaterina Yatsishina** (National Research Centre "Kurchatov Institute"): Insignia of power (?) from "Chernaya mogila" mound, 10th century

**Maxim Mordovin** (ELTE - Eötvös Loránd University): Fortified centres of the 10th–11th c. Hungary

**Katalin Tolnai** (University of Vienna) – **József Laszlovszky** (Central European University) –

**Csilla Siklódi** (independent scholar) – **Zsolt Szilágyi** (Institute of Ethnology, Hungarian Academy of Sciences) – **András Harmath** (Tahiméter Co.): 10th–12th century remains of the Khitan Liao Empire in the territory of Mongolia – Landscape archaeological approaches and the power centres of a nomad society

**Máté Kiss** (University of Szeged): Kolbjagi/Kylfingar/Koulpingoi and the Hungarian name Kölpény – Some remarks on the concept of a scandinavian origin military group in Hungary

*15.40: **István Fodor**: conference summary*

### **11th October – 'Warfare and fortifications – Representation of power'**

*08.00: Bus leaves to Visegrád from the Hungarian National Museum*

*09.00: Guided tour to the fortifications of Visegrád*

*with **József Laszlovszky**: Visegrád and the Mongol Invasion of Hungary in 1241-42*







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**Vladimir Koval** (Archaeological Institute, Russian Academy of Science): Fortification of the Volga Bulgaria in 10th-13th centuries: problems of archeology and interpretation  
**Tibor Ákos Rácz** (Ferenczy Museum Centre) – **Balázs Nagy** (Ferenczy Museum Centre) – **Hella Mag** (Tragor Ignác Museum): Recent research and treasure finds from the time of the Mongol Invasion in the central region of Medieval Hungary  
**Stephen Pow** (Central European University): Beyond Hungary: Thirteenth-century fortification reforms throughout the larger Central and Eastern Europe region as a response to the Mongol presence

*12.00: Discussion with **Tibor Ákos Rácz** on the results of the conference and future prospects*

*12.30: Lunch break*

*14.00: Bus leaves to Esztergom*

*15.00 – 17.00: Guided tour to the fortifications of Esztergom with **Gergely Tolnai**: The royal fortifications of Esztergom in the High Middle Ages*

*18.00: Bus leaves back to Budapest*

**End of conference**

