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Online workshop

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Choices, traditions, identities and ideologies in prehistoric pottery production in Europe and the Mediterranean

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Durham University, Department of Archaeology, UK - Research Dialogues

This workshop brings together scholars of diverse specialisms focusing on **ceramic production and technology** to discuss how new approaches in archaeometry and ceramic analysis can be marshalled towards new research frameworks in Europe and the Mediterranean throughout late Prehistory (VI-II mill. BC). The aim is to explore and compare production modes and technological traditions within and across societies, regions, and periods.

Ceramics are a key technology associated with increasing socio-economic complexity in European prehistory. Despite their ubiquity in the archaeological record and scholarly agreement on their importance, the potential of ceramic data to comprehensively address **region-level socio-economic questions** about past communities has not been fully realised.

Research has focused on the dissemination of ceramic technology with rather less attention paid to the diversity of productive strategies across time and space and their implications. Alongside major innovations, **small-scale variations in technological choices** and productive strategies might hint at different requirements, uses, traditions, interactions and identities **within or across communities**. A multiscalar approach to ceramics aimed at better understanding the range of production modes, technologies and styles, can unlock new lines of socio-economic enquiry.

Confirmed invited speakers include:

Silvia Amicone
University of Tübingen

Kamal Badreshany
Durham University

Clare Burke
Oeaw

Delia Carloni and Eve Derenne
University of Geneva

Beatrijs de Groot

University of Edinburgh

Vanessa Forte
University of Pisa

Pamela Fragnoli
Oeaw

Louise Gomart
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Attila Kreiter

Hungarian National Museum

Sébastien Manem
Paris Nanterre

Italo Maria Muntoni
SABAP

Maria Pilar Prieto-Martinez
Universidade de Santiago de Compostela

Keynote lecture by Prof. Stephen Shennan, *University College London*

Followed by round table and discussion

The workshop is free to attend, register at <https://forms.gle/kRCf5tp6uhNc4aEJ7>

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