

**ARCHAEOLOGY
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CONFERENCE PROGRAM (March 27–28, 2025)

**March 27
11:00 – 14:00
Scientific Council Hall**

Chairman: A.S. Balakhvantsev

Opening remarks by the Scientific Director of the Institute of Oriental Studies,
Russian Academy of Sciences, Academician V.V. Naumkin.

1. *Petrova N.Yu. (Institute of Archaeology, Russian Academy of Sciences). The origin of pottery technology in the Zagros.*
2. *Babenko A.N., Petrova N.Yu. (Institute of Archaeology, Russian Academy of Sciences), Suvorina A.S. (State Academic University for the Humanities). Spherulitic and palynological analysis of pottery from Neolithic settlements in the valley of Sinjar (Iraq): possibilities and prospects.*
3. *Fribus A.V. (Institute for the History of Material Culture, Russian Academy of Sciences), Dubova N.A. (Institute of Ethnology and Anthropology, Russian Academy of Sciences). Gonur-20 – a rural settlement and cemetery in the southern Gonur oasis.*
4. *Dubova N.A. (Institute of Ethnology and Anthropology, Russian Academy of Sciences), Veresotskaya G.E. (State Research Institute for Restoration, Ministry of Culture of the Russian Federation), Fribus A.V. (Institute for the History of Material Culture, Russian Academy of Sciences). Mosaic compositions of the 3rd millennium BCE in Turkmenistan: study, preservation, and museification.*
5. *Yankovsky-Dyakonov A.I. (Institute of Oriental Studies, Russian Academy of Sciences). Preliminary results of aerial photography of the surroundings of Tell Dehaila (Iraq) in 2024.*
6. *Balakhvantsev A.S. (Institute of Oriental Studies, Russian Academy of Sciences), Saypov S.T. (Karakalpak State University). Completion of the study of the Gunzheli 1 cemetery in Ustyurt.*

14:00 – 15:00 Lunch
15:00 – 19:00
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1. *Pierfrancesco Callieri and Diego Maria Mezzapelle (Dipartimento di Beni Culturali, Università di Bologna, Italy)*. Ancient Anchors in the Nayband Bay: Hypotheses and Theories on the Findings of Ballast Stones.
2. *Hossein Tofighian (Iranian Centre for Archaeological Research, Tehran, Iran)*. A review of the ports of the Northern coast of the Persian Gulf during the Sasanian and early Islamic periods, with emphasis on the historical port of Nayband.
3. *Menshikov M.Yu., Mokroborodov V.V. (Institute of Archaeology, Russian Academy of Sciences)*. Evidence of paleoseismic events in southern Turkmenistan based on archaeological and topographic studies of the New Nisa settlement.
4. *Dvurechenskaya N.D., Dvurechensky O.V. (Institute of Archaeology, Russian Academy of Sciences)*. Uzundara: results of the 2024 excavations.
5. *Balakhvantsev A.S. (Institute of Oriental Studies, Russian Academy of Sciences), Khakimniyazov Zh.Kh. (Karakalpak State University), Vetokhov S.V. (Institute of Oriental Studies, Russian Academy of Sciences)*. Excavations of the ancient Chorasmian site Burlykala in 2024.
6. *Chistyakova M.S. (Institute of Oriental Studies, Russian Academy of Sciences)*. Microscopic examination of fragments of archaeological textiles from Kurgan 20 in Volzhsky.
7. *Gadzhiev M.S., Abdulaev A.M., Budaychiev A.L., Shaushev K.B. (Institute of History, Archaeology, and Ethnography, Dagestan Federal Research Center, Russian Academy of Sciences, Makhachkala)*. Studies of Sasanian fortifications in the coastal part of Derbent and some issues of historical topography and city defense in the late Sasanian period.

Discussion of the presentations.

March 28
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1. *Mohamed Ebrahim Mohamed (Supreme Council of Antiquities, Egypt)*. Recent archaeological discoveries at Beni-Suef.

2. *Lebedev M.A. (Institute of Oriental Studies, Russian Academy of Sciences)*. New data on the cultural landscape of the Greco-Roman period at the mouth of Wadi Gayada (Middle Egypt).
3. *Malysheva Ya.A. (Institute of Oriental Studies, Russian Academy of Sciences)*. Experience in digital modeling during the work of the joint Russian-Egyptian archaeological mission at Gebel el-Nur (2024 season).
4. *Vorovsky P.L., Morozov F.P., Morozov P.A. (LLC "Company VNIISMI", Institute of Terrestrial Magnetism, Ionosphere, and Radio Wave Propagation, Russian Academy of Sciences)*. Ground-penetrating radar studies in the necropolis of Gebel el-Nur (October 2024).
5. *Vetokhov S.V. (Institute of Oriental Studies, Russian Academy of Sciences)*. The Ptolemaic temple at Gebel el-Nur (Egypt) in light of new archaeological data.
6. *Sergeev A.Yu. (Institute of Oriental Studies, Russian Academy of Sciences)*. Given to the fire: ritual plant food from a Roman-period tomb at Gebel el-Nur (Egypt).

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1. *Menshikov M.Yu. (Institute of Archaeology, Russian Academy of Sciences), Sergeev A.Yu. (Institute of Archaeology, Russian Academy of Sciences), Lebedev M.A. (Institute of Oriental Studies, Russian Academy of Sciences), Malykh S.E. (Institute of Oriental Studies, Russian Academy of Sciences), Malyseva Ya.A. (Institute of Oriental Studies, Russian Academy of Sciences)*. Results of the work of the Egyptian team of the Institute of Archaeology, Russian Academy of Sciences, in the northern necropolis of the Gebel el-Nur cemetery in 2024.
2. *Kuvatova V.Z. (Institute of Oriental Studies, Russian Academy of Sciences)*. Fragments of Roman funerary masks from the necropolis of Gebel el-Nur in the context of contemporary monuments.
3. *Hadeer Mahmoud Hussien Mohamed (Supreme Council of Antiquities, Egypt)*. Reviving Tanis: Commemorative Conservation of the Ancient Capital San Al-Hagar, Egypt.
4. *Mohamed Abdelrahman Ahmed Mansour (Supreme Council of Antiquities, Egypt)*. History of Excavations in Menkaure Quarry Cemetery.

Discussion of the presentations. Closing of the conference.