



Soils as records of Past and Present: the
geoarchaeological approach.
Focus on: is there time for fieldwork today?
6-7 November 2019, Bruges (Belgium)
Second circular



1. Excursion (06.11.2019):

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Preliminary programme

The excursion will travel from Bruges through the Polder area to the Belgian coast. The medieval town of Bruges is developed on the verge of the cover sands with the tidal landscapes to the north. This landscape position was an advantage in many aspects, but a challenge for trade, as Bruges was accessible only through a highly dynamic system of tidal gullies. Export and import occurred through a system of trade hubs along the tidal gullies. During the excursion the importance and wealth of this extended harbour system will be highlighted and the location of several of these trade hubs will be visited. The aim of the excursion is to highlight the complex soilscape and geomorphology of the region. The cover sands were overgrown by peat that later got buried below estuarine sediments. This offers unique soils and landscapes with up to three very different living surfaces that were potentially inhabited.

Fees

50 Euros, limited to 30 people.

The excursion fee includes two coffee breaks, lunch, water, transport by bus and an excursion guide. Departure is foreseen at 9 am, the return to Bruges at 4 pm.

2. Scientific meeting (07.11.2019)

Venue

The meeting will be held at the Groeningemuseum in the heart of the historical UNESCO heritage town of Bruges (Dijver 12, 8000 Bruges, Belgium).

Preliminary programme

8.30-9:30 Registration and coffee

9:30-9:45 Welcome words

9.45-11:10

Stefaan Dondeyne and Seppe Deckers

The Abc soil type: Podzoluvisols, Albeluvisols, or Retisols? A review.

Veerle Vanwesenbeeck and Katrien Oorts

Use of the Database of the Subsoil of Flanders (DOV) in soil and archaeological research.

Karen Vancampenhout

Interpreting the soil record: the need for a multi proxy approach.

Jari Hinsch Mikkelsen

Archaeopedological fieldwork: turning case studies into guidelines.

Andrea Mindszenty

Soils vs. Paleosols: The role of R.Langohr's process-oriented approach in understanding carbonate-related paleosols preserved in the stratigraphic record.

11:10-11.30 Coffee break

11.30-12.30

Jan Van Moerkerke

Les faux poteaux plantés, et après ?

Judit Deák

Soil-sediments in archaeological record. Environmental settings and case studies showing potentials for environmental, climatic and land use reconstructions.

Anne Gebhardt

Study of active and relict anthroposoils in the North Eastern France : is the holistic approach still possible in rescue archaeological context ?

12.30-14.00 Lunch and posters

14.00-15.20

Frederic Cruz et al.

Méthodologie d'une recherche paléoenvironnementale en archéologie préventive : l'exemple du site de Kerkhove Stuw (Belgium).

Kai Fechner

Contribution of soil science to some neglected aspects of the Neolithic way of life. Synthesis of recent works between Rhine and Seine.

Dieter Verwerft

Pioneers in the tidal landscape: tracking down the Roman colonization of the Zwin area.

Yannick Devos et al.

25 years of urban geoarchaeology in Belgium.

15.20-16.00 Coffee break and posters

16.00-17:00 **Keynote talk by Dr. Roger Langohr**

17:30-19:00 Reception at the Town Hall

Posters: The poster can measure up to size A0 (1189x541 mm); A0 sized posters in landscape format are not allowed.

Fees

50 Euros, including morning and afternoon coffee breaks, lunch, reception and the publication.

3. Registration

Registration for both for the scientific meeting and the excursion are still open:
<https://goo.gl/forms/lolKwZbsEf2Ylkag2>

The fees of 50 Euros for the excursion and 50 Euros for the scientific meeting must be paid to the below stated account number with the mention "Congress Brugge -EXCURSION" and "Congress Brugge –SCIENTIFIC MEETING"

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Dijver 12,
8000 Brugge
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Registration is based on a first come, first served principle. The number of places are limited (30 places for the excursion; 120 places for the scientific meeting). Registrations are final when the fees are paid to the above indicated bank account and a confirmation of your registration has been sent.

Our application to get sponsoring has been refused therefore we will not be able to financially support the participants.

Deadline: 15.10.2019. Registration will stop when the maximum capacity of 30 (Excursion), respectively 120 (Symposium), inscriptions have been reached.

4. Deadlines

15.06.2019	Submission of papers to be published (concerns only people who have been confirmed for a contribution before the 30.04 deadline)
01.08.2019	Submitting abstracts for posters and extended abstracts of talks
05.09.2019	Submitting finalised papers
30.09.2019	Last circular with the final programme and last practical information
15.10.2019	Final inscriptions of participants both for the symposium and the excursion

6&7.11.2019 **The Meeting**

5. Bruges and accommodation

Bruges was one of the most important trading cities in Northwestern Europe during the 12th -15th Century. The many historical buildings and canals are still witness to that period.

<https://www.visitbruges.be/en>

Today Bruges is visited by many tourists throughout the year. If you plan to stay in Bruges, it is strongly recommended you make your booking well in advance.

You can find special offers via the following link:

<https://secure.meetinginbrugge.be/extendedSearch?package=2173&lang=en&start=05-11-2019&end=06-11-2019>

6. Contact and further updates

- ✓ Our website is online and you may find updated information through the link <https://www.4terres.ch/gamb19/>
- ✓ Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us by mailing to meeting.2019rl@gmail.com
- ✓ Please do not hesitate to forward this message to your colleagues or friends who might be interested.

Kind regards and we hope to see you soon!

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