



# Nestor

Bibliography of Aegean Prehistory and Related Areas

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## COMMUNICATIONS

### Calls for Papers

On 30 September 2024 abstracts (approximately 300 words) and personal details (title, full name, affiliation, email address) are due for an Early Career Researchers Conference entitled **Change and power entanglements: Investigating a reciprocal relation in the Bronze Age Aegean**, to be held on 7-9 March 2025 in Heidelberg. Abstracts should be sent to [change2025@gmail.com](mailto:change2025@gmail.com). Further information is available at [https://www.academia.edu/121726391/Change\\_and\\_Power\\_Entanglements\\_Investigating\\_a\\_reciprocal\\_relation\\_in\\_the\\_Bronze\\_Age\\_Aegean](https://www.academia.edu/121726391/Change_and_Power_Entanglements_Investigating_a_reciprocal_relation_in_the_Bronze_Age_Aegean). Contributions will be welcomed on the following themes/axes:

- Continuities and discontinuities: development of power versus abrupt changes
- Nurturing power: changes in the economy, trade and social networks, (re)resources, settlements patterns, administration
- Holding on to power: resilience of power institutions through periods of crisis
- Nature as a driving factor for change: topographical constants, climate change, geographic isolation, tectonic activity
- Showcasing power: changes in iconography, architecture, performance, material culture, ceremonial and social practices
- Changes in mnemonic strategies: past as catalyst and a resource

### Future Lectures and Conferences

On 12-17 August 2024 the **22nd ICAZ Fish Remains Working Group (FRWG 2024)** will be held in Toronto, Canada. Further information is available at <https://www.utm.utoronto.ca/anthropology/research/ontario-archaeology-utm/icaz-frwg-2024-toronto>. Papers of interest to Nestor readers will include:

T. Theodoropoulou, "Going for small catches in the Mediterranean Early Neolithic? The case of Sidari-Corfu (Greece) and the wider Mesolithic–Early Neolithic fishing strategies of the last hunter-gatherers and early farmerherders in the Mediterranean"

On 11-13 September 2024 the final conference of the ERC-funded INSCRIBE Invention of Scripts and their Beginnings project, entitled **INSCRIBE at the Roots of Writing**, will be held in hybrid format in Bologna. Further information and registration forms for both in-person

and online participation are available at <https://site.unibo.it/inscribe/en/inscribe-at-the-roots-of-writing>. Papers of interest to Nestor readers will include:

- B. Montecchi, "The Origins of Writing in Bronze Age Crete and the Conundrum of Documents in Perishable Materials"
- J. Bennet, "'A Frivolous Digression' – Did the Decipherment of Linear B Transform the Aegean Late Bronze Age?"
- M. Corazza, "Investigating the Signs of Cypro-Minoan with Deep Learning"

On 19-22 September 2024 a Visual Interactions in Early Writing Systems (VIEWS) conference entitled **Writing as Visual Experience (WAVE)** will be held in Cambridge. Further information is available from <https://viewsproject.wordpress.com/writing-as-visual-experience/>. Papers of interest to Nestor readers will include:

- S. Ferrara, "How writing anchors images: cultural exaptation and evolution"
- S. Finlayson, "Some thoughts on directionality in Aegean Bronze Age writing"

On 25-28 September 2024 the **4<sup>th</sup> Perspectives on Balkan Archaeology Conference: The Things of Life (PeBA 2024)** will be held in Varna, Bulgaria. Further information is available at <https://pebsite.wordpress.com/>. Papers of interest to Nestor readers will include:

- R. Kurti, "Some Consideration on the Early Iron Objects from Iron Age Albania"
- T. Valchev, "Late Bronze Age Daggers from the Lower and Middle Course of the Tundzha River, Bulgaria – Imports and Local Imitation"
- M. Šmolková, "Socioeconomy of Early Iron Age Hilltop Sites in the Context of Ohrid Lake Area (Dolno Lakocherej – a case study)"
- J. Fries-Knoblach and M. Leppek, "Late Bronze Age Bresto (South-Western Bulgaria) - multiple resources, multi-purpose settlement?"
- B. Athanassov, I. Kulov, and P. W. Stockhammer, "Pots and Pits: Ritual Practices at Iron Age Bresto?"
- K. Çipa and S. Xhaferaj, "Economic Resources and Religious Aspects during the Bronze and Iron Age in Southwestern Albania"
- M. Gori, "Mobility between tangible and intangible resources. What makes the world go round?"
- T. Krapf, "The Things of Life: The Diffusion of Cooking Pots in the Late Bronze Age Southern Balkans"
- M. Gleba, H. Potrebica, and A. Pravidur, "Textile Cultures of Iron Age Southeastern Europe"

On 3-6 October 2024 the conference **The Connected Past: Religious Networks in Antiquity** will be held in Vancouver, BC. Further information is available at <https://phh-connected-past-2024.sites.olt.ubc.ca/>. Papers of interest to Nestor readers will include:

- C. Barnes and G. Braun, "Labour Input and Knowledge Networks in the Construction of Ashlar Buildings on Cyprus"
- E. A. Keyser, "The Role of Rhyta in Mycenaean Networks of Ritual Practice and Power"
- K. Mallinson and M. Harder, "Computational Approaches to Minoan Peak Sanctuaries Outside of Crete"