

The International Conference “Endangered Cultural Heritage. Protection and Enhancement of the Duhok Region Archaeological Heritage (Kurdistan Region of Iraq)” presents the results of the recording, conservation and management project carried out by the University of Udine and the Institute of Heritage Science of the National Research Council on the Assyrian irrigation system in the Duhok region. The project was conducted in cooperation with the KRG Directorate General of Antiquities and the Duhok Directorate of Antiquities and has been funded by the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Italian Agency for Development Cooperation.

The presentation of the archaeological and environmental park project of the Assyrian irrigation system, its monuments (Khinis and Maltai rock reliefs, Jerwan aqueduct) and natural landscape and the proposal to submit this unique archaeological heritage to the UNESCO World Heritage Tentative List are accompanied by an exhibition illustrating the archaeological park through photo panels and photorealistic renderings.

During the conference, the activities of the *Missione Archeologica Italiana nel Kurdistan Iracheno* of Sapienza University of Rome in the Paikuli region (Sleman) and at the Erbil Citadel will also be illustrated.



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ENDANGERED CULTURAL HERITAGE

PROTECTION AND
ENHANCEMENT
OF THE DUHOK REGION
ARCHAEOLOGICAL HERITAGE
(KURDISTAN REGION OF IRAQ)

International Conference

January 29, 2020
Consiglio Nazionale delle Ricerche
Sala Marconi
Piazzale Aldo Moro 7, Rome

09.00-09.40
Welcome and opening addresses

Massimo Inguscio
President of the National Research Council (CNR)

Giorgio Alberti
Delegate of the Udine University
Rector for International Relations

Luca Maestripieri
Director of the Italian Agency
for Development Cooperation

Emanuele Farruggia
DGCS- Off. V, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
and International Cooperation

Sasan Osman Awni
Minister of Municipalities
and Tourism of the KRG

Rezan Kader
High Representative in Italy of the
Kurdistan Regional Government

Mohammed Al-Jumayli
Embassy of the Republic of Iraq in Rome

Serena Muroli
Consul of Italy
in the Kurdistan Region of Iraq

Salvatore Piro
Institute of Heritage Science,
National Research Council

09.40-10.40
Visit to the panel exhibition
“The Archaeological Environmental Park of
Sennacherib’s Irrigation Network” guided by
Roberto Orazi and Elisa Fidenzi.

The exhibition illustrates the project for the creation
of an archaeological and environmental park of the
Assyrian irrigation system, its monuments
and natural landscape and the proposal to submit
this unique archaeological heritage of the Kurdistan
Region of Iraq to the UNESCO World Heritage List.

10.40-11.00
Coffee Break

Chairperson:
Francesca Colosi

11.00-11.20
Kaifi Mustafa Ali
(Director General of Antiquities)
General Directorate of Antiquities
of the Kurdistan Regional Government:
2019 Activities and 2020 Strategic Plan

11.20-11.40
Hasan Ahmed Qasim
(Director of Antiquities of Duhok).
The Prehistoric Rock-Shelter Paintings at Blecan
(Duhok-Kurdistan)

11.40-12.00
May Shaer
(World Heritage Centre, UNESCO)
UNESCO’s Activities in Support of Cultural
Heritage in Iraq

Chairperson:
Gianfilippo Terribili
Land of Nineveh Archaeological Project
(LoNAP) Activities

12.00-12.20
Daniele Morandi Bonacossi
(University of Udine)
The Land of Nineveh Training Project for the
Enhancement of the Cultural Heritage
of Northern Iraqi Kurdistan: An Introduction

12.20-12.40
Roberto Orazi
(ISPC – CNR)
Sennacherib’s Archaeological Park: Master Plan
and First Enhancing Actions

12.40-13.00
Francesca Colosi
(ISPC – CNR)
Sennacherib’s Archaeological Park: the UNESCO
World Heritage List Nomination Format

13.00-13.15
Eva Savina Malinverni
and Roberto Pierdicca
(Università Politecnica delle Marche) *Sennacherib’s*
Archaeological Park: Analysis and Processing
of Stereo Images for 3D Mapping

13.15-13.30
Emiliano Di Luzio
(IGAG – CNR)
Sennacherib’s Archaeological Park: Slope Analysis
in the Khinis Archaeological Area

13.30-15.00
Lunch

Chairperson:
Marco Iamoni

15.00-15.15
Stefano Palpacelli
(Università Politecnica delle Marche)
Sennacherib’s Archaeological Park: Hydraulic
and Hydrogeological studies in Khinis and Maltai

15.15-15.30
Isabella Finzi Contini
(Italian Archaeological Mission
to the Kurdistan Region of Iraq)
Sennacherib’s Archaeological Park: Maltai
and Khinis Rock Reliefs Conservation Project

15.30-15.50
Daniele Morandi Bonacossi
(University of Udine)
and Hasan Ahmed Qasim
(Directorate of Antiquities of Duhok)
The Discovery of the Assyrian Canal and Rock
Reliefs in Faida (Duhok): Excavation, Recording,
Conservation and Enhancement
of an Endangered Archaeological Site

15.50-16.10
Mauro Bertagnin
(University of Udine)
Preservation of Vernacular Earthen Architecture
in the UNESCO World Heritage Earthen
Architecture Programme WHEAP – 2007-2020:
Background, Achievements and Outputs

Chairperson:
Roberto Orazi
Missione Archeologica Italiana
nel Kurdistan Iracheno (MAIKI) Activities

16.10-16.30
Gianfilippo Terribili
(Sapienza University of Rome)
Thus Spoke King Narseh: MAIKI Activities
in Paikuli and at the Slemani Museum

16.30-16.50
Luca Colliva
(University of Bologna)
History through a Looking Glass: MAIKI Activities at
the Citadel of Erbil

16.50-17.10
Barbara Faticoni
(Sapienza University of Rome)
Field Activity in 2019 at the Paikuli Site

17.10-17.30
Camilla Insom
(University of Naples “L’Orientale”)
Landscape Archaeology and Human Settlement:
the Archaeological Map of the Wider Paikuli Area

17.30-18.00
Questions and discussion