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SUL PALEOLITICO  
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**ROUNDTABLE ON THE MIDDLE  
PALEOLITHIC OF ITALY**  
PROGRAMMING AND BUILDING THE  
FUTURE OF RESEARCH

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## II CIRCULAR

*The Roundtable is held in collaboration with CAMNES (Center for Ancient Mediterranean and Near Eastern Studies).*

*The main objective is to provide a space that enables the possibility to structure a research method for the future, which will take advantage of a direct comparison of all scholars currently engaged in research project over the Middle Paleolithic of Italy.*

*This meeting focuses specifically on the issues posed by the observation of lithic material (the role of Levallois, evolution and variability of technical systems, the origin and role of laminarity, the concept of techno-cultural area and the transition to the Upper Paleolithic) and we also express the hope that others will follow to respond to other sectors involved in the research of this phase of the Paleolithic.*

### 1. Roundtable Aspects

#### SPEAKERS

We invite the Roundtable speakers to **send the abstract of their papers by January 15th, 2012**. In order to facilitate the sharing of the key issues raised in the individual works, the abstracts will be made available in hard copy and on-line at the opening of the Roundtable. The text should therefore discuss the topics with an appropriate level of detail.

The official languages of the meeting are Italian, French and English.

#### LISTENERS

Participation to the Roundtable is for all free of charge but we invite those who wish to attend as listeners to provide a pre-registration to enable us to better organize the logistics. To run the pre-registration is sufficient to send an email to [taropamei@camnes.org](mailto:taropamei@camnes.org) before January 15, 2012 indicating name, institution, email address and telephone number.

Attached to this circular you will find the Roundtable Program.

The schedule is divided in two days. The first of which will be dedicated to the papers' presentation, while the second to the last papers and the general discussion.

Considering the titles and topics covered by the contributions already received for the Roundtable it has been decided to follow a geographical criterion subdivided in north, center and south sessions. At the end of each session a brief discussion of about 15 minutes will sum-

marized the main issues that were raised. It is important to note that the geographical subdivision is only a mere convention for better organizing the program and therefore does not represent a default parameter in the interpretation of archaeological data.

The following phase is dedicated to the discussion, which is obviously the main objective of the Roundtable. One of the priorities of the discussion is the definition and sharing of common archaeological problems that were brought to attention by the information delivered in each paper.

At the end of the meeting will be furnished information regarding the publication of the proceedings, which we hope will take place in a reasonable amount of time.

## 2. Logistics

### COFFEE BREAK

CAMNES will be happy to accommodate all speakers at the coffee break at the "Lorenzo de 'Medici" Cafeteria, located on the second floor of Via Faenza 43, the same building where the Roundtable will be held. Listeners will benefit of an affordable service price at the same cafeteria.

### LUNCH

Speakers and listeners may benefit of a discount at the "Lorenzo de 'Medici" Cafeteria, located on the second floor in Via Faenza 43, the same building where the Roundtable is held.

### DINNER

Thursday evening (February 9th) the official Roundtable dinner will take place in a restaurant nearby the meeting. For those who wish to participate, both speakers and listeners (as well as accompanying people) must contribute to the expenses by paying a fee of Euro 25. To make a reservation please write to [taropamei@camnes.org](mailto:taropamei@camnes.org) before the beginning of the Roundtable.

### ACCOMMODATION

Below is a list of participating hotels.

Ariston hotel (<http://www.hotelaristonfirenze.it>)

Approx. Euro 46,00 (single) - 55,00 (double) per night including breakfast

Cimabue hotel (<http://www.hotelcimabue.it>)

Approx. EUR 90,00 (single) - 120,00 (double) per night including breakfast

Leonardo da Vinci hotel (<http://www.leonardodavincihotel.net>)

Approx. EUR 110,00 (single) - 120,00 (double) - 156,00 triple - quadruple 192,00 per night with breakfast included

For more information, please contact our consultant (Myriam), writing to the following address: [myriam@cosertour.it](mailto:myriam@cosertour.it).