



# 7<sup>th</sup> Doctoral Meeting of the European School of Protohistory of Bibracte

## *Call for papers*

From the 8<sup>th</sup> to the 10<sup>th</sup> of March 2021, the seventh Doctoral Meeting of the European School of Protohistory of Bibracte (EEPb) will be held at the European Archaeological Center of Bibracte (Burgundy, France). Since 2015, the EEPb Meeting aims to bring together PhD candidates and young postdocs working on common issues concerning the Bronze and Iron Ages across Europe. For this year's meeting, participants are invited to present their research on the following theme:

### **Adaptability and Resilience in Metal Age Societies: How do populations respond to change?**

Contributions can be made in the form of an oral presentation (20 minutes) or a poster (with a 5-minute oral presentation).

Proposals must be submitted by **30<sup>th</sup> November 2020** (registration form below).

The question of the resilience and adaptability of contemporary societies facing changes and crises is a subject – beyond the greatest possible relevance to current affairs – well studied in the social sciences. The idea of exploring this theme through the prism of archaeology, in order to transfer it to ancient societies – and more precisely to those of the Metal Ages – seems essential for a better understanding of the way(s) in which humans exploited complex and/or unexpected (and/or changing) events.

Changes within ancient societies can be of an endogenous or exogenous nature, for example linked to environmental, health, economic, technological or spiritual. They may be brutal, and therefore be perceived as real crises for the societies that experience them, or they may be barely perceptible and take place in a subliminal way over a more or less long period



of time. In archaeology, the notions of continuity and discontinuity in the remains of ancient societies seem to be fundamental to the study of their evolution.

In this topic, several questions are raised: were they able to develop technical, cognitive and social skills to cope, adapt and surpass themselves for developing new aptitudes and new habits? How and with what archaeological data can we identify sudden or progressive changes in protohistoric societies? How do these changes influence our construction and structuring of the chronology?

Around these questions of adaptability and resilience, this year's Meeting will be structured along three axes:

- **Economic and structural changes**

Every human society is organized around institutions that can, under the influence of various factors, evolve over time. The economy is an important axis of this organization. During protohistory, the existence of metallurgy was only possible due to the existence of exchange networks and traffic routes that allowed the diffusion of know-how as well as the transportation of raw materials and finished products far from their place of extraction or production.

Traffic routes, exchange networks, the means of transport used, the habitation of settlements in the landscape, the (non-)existence of defensive systems or traces of violent acts are all elements that provide archaeologists with information on protohistoric socio-economic systems.

Communications within the framework of this topic should discuss questions related to events that can provoke changes in the organization of human societies or how such changes can be perceived from the remains studied by archaeologists.

- **Cultural and identity changes**

If human societies can change over time, so can individuals, whose identities can vary. These changes can be imposed and happen rather rapidly, for example in the context of conquests that induce acculturation processes, or, on the contrary, they can occur gradually and over a long period of time. On the other hand, groups may also develop strategies to consciously resist change and maintain their culture and identity.

Understanding how individuals during the Metal Ages perceived and accepted or did not accept change is obviously a difficult exercise. Nevertheless, is it possible to discern events that have led to changes in identity or social status at different scales (from the individual to the community group)?

The study of material culture is a first approach. The formal and technical characteristics of manufactured products constitute cultural traits that can be significant in dealing with the question of identity. Through their characteristics, they can provide different cultural information on their function, their origin, their context of use ... These changes in culture and identity can also be perceived through other studies: architecture, art, funerary or religious practices or rites, etc.

- **Theory and modelling of changes**

Through this Meeting, we would like to encourage exchange on methodological developments applied to the theme of resilience and adaptability of Metal Age societies. For example, can we identify mechanisms or models at work in the different ways societies adapt? Can demographic development models highlight phases of disruption and therefore crisis? Contributions with a methodological, modelling or theory-based focus on economic, political, societal and/or chronological developments are therefore also welcome.

Through these various aspects, we aim to provide a framework for reflection on the different possibilities available to researchers to understand the reasons and nature of changes affecting protohistoric populations in their organization and identity. The aim is to create a space for debate around common issues in order to develop new ideas for understanding the societies of the Bronze and Iron Ages.

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## General Information

### Location

The Doctoral Meeting of the EEPB will take place at the European Archaeological Center of Bibracte, Glux-en-Glenne (France) from **8<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> March 2021**.

### Arrival and accommodation

You can stay in Bibracte from **Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> March to Friday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2021**. During this week, the Research Center covers food and accommodation expenses for the participants. Throughout their stay, participants may use and work in the Centers' library, which is open 24 hours a day.

All travel fees have to be covered by the participants. Participants are advised to arrive on **Sunday 7<sup>th</sup>** (especially if they travel by public transport). The organized departures can be arranged with the Organizing Committee from **Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> to Friday 12<sup>th</sup>**. The Center can be reached by TGV from Paris or Lyon. Participants will be picked up at the TGV station (Le Creusot) and taken to the Center.

The number of participants is limited by the capacity of the Research Center. Doctoral and post-doctoral students who wish to present a lecture or a poster have priority, but everyone is welcome to attend the Meeting depending on the accommodation capacity of the Center. Non-participants have to pay an accommodation fee according to the Centers' price list.

If you have any questions about the accommodation, you can contact:

The Organizing Committee: [eepb7.2021@gmail.com](mailto:eepb7.2021@gmail.com)

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The information about the organization of the 7<sup>th</sup> Doctoral Meeting is regularly updated on the blog at this address: <https://eepb.hypotheses.org>





## Paper and poster presentation guidelines

The oral presentations are limited to 20 minutes, followed by 10 minutes of discussion. The posters will also have to be presented in a brief 5-minute presentation. All oral presentations must be accompanied by a slideshow presentation (for posters, the preparation of an accompanying slideshow is optional).

Oral presentations should be presented in English (preferably) or in French. The slideshows should in any case be in English.

The form attached below should be sent before **30<sup>th</sup> November 2020** to the following address: [eepb7.2021@gmail.com](mailto:eepb7.2021@gmail.com).

## Publication/Diffusion

The lectures and posters presented at the Meeting will be published after validation by the Scientific Committee of the Doctoral Meeting in the online publication of HAL (<https://hal.archives-ouvertes.fr/EEPb>).





## Registration Form

*We strongly recommend that you arrive in Bibracte on 7<sup>th</sup> March and leave between 10<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> March.*

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**Abstract** (300 – max. 500 words, 2–4 bibliographical references → not included in word count; you may add as separate files 1–2 grayscale illustrations of min. 300 dpi):

