The 5th Landscape Archaeology Conference will take place in Newcastle and Durham from the 17th to the 20th September 2018. We will be welcoming over 300 participants, from almost 40 countries and from a very wide range of disciplines concerned with the archaeological and environmental study of landscape, including archaeology, anthropology, environmental sciences, geography, geology, heritage, landscape architecture, landscape history and others. The Universities of Newcastle and Durham have almost a century-long tradition of archaeological research and teaching. Their own research interests spread across the world, but their ‘local’ region, north east England, is well worth visiting for its wealth of prehistoric remains and perhaps the best known of the Roman imperial frontiers. The region was one of the cradles of early Christianity in Britain and a birthplace of the Industrial Revolution; all in all, a perfect location for LAC2018.

Our calls for sessions and presentations was very successful and the conference will have 35 sessions running in nine parallel sessions over three days, 18-20th September, and our programme contains c 270 oral presentations and 35 posters. There will be half day excursions on 19th September, and a social programme:

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Deadline for reduced-fee Early Registration (£195) : 4th July 2018
Deadline for Final Registration (£225) : 4th August 2018
Plenary (keynote) presentations:

1. Dr. Nicki Whitehouse (Plymouth University, UK): “Prehistoric land-use history and food production in early agricultural societies”

2. Prof. Meggen Gondek (University of Chester (UK)): “For those about to rock - carved stone monuments, materiality and landscape in early medieval Scotland”

3. Dr. Elif Koparal, (Mimar Sinan Fine Arts University-İstanbul, Turkey): “Defending the Ionian Landscapes: New Perspectives in Community Archaeology”

4. Dr. Alfredo Gonzalez-Ruibal (Superior de Investigaciones Científicas, Spain): “Terrain Vague. An archaeology of interstitial landscapes”

35 scientific sessions (and lead organisers):

1A. Geoarchaeology and Landscape; Lisa-Marie Shillito
6C. Understanding cultural landscapes from space . . . ; Deodato Tapete
8G. Settlement desertion and cultural landscape transformations; Zdeněk Kučera
11B. Dynamic landscapes: . . . reshaping the geomorphology of arid environments; Nizar Abu-Jaber
18B. Climate, Heritage and Environments: Collaborative approaches; Louise Barker
20G. Transhumance; Mark Bowden
21F. Speaking Monuments - The Stories behind the Stones; Michael Freikman
22E. Archaeology, Methods, Action! Rigorous Methodologies, Past Mobilities; Michelle de Gruchy
24F. Landscape and belief; Freya Horsfield
26G. Archaeological prospection in high-mountain environments; Francesco Carrer
27G. Landscape archaeology in Africa’s later prehistory; Nadia Khalaf
28C. Aerial approaches in landscape archaeology: past, present and future; Stephen Davis
29C. Remote sensing in landscape archaeology research; Louise Rayne
32E. The why in Landscape Archaeology; Rachel Opitz
34E. Markers and Mobilities: Interpreting Dynamic Landscapes; Poul Heide
35D. A sense of place: community archaeology in the landscape; Angela Gannon
37B. The flip side of the coin: resilience, adaptation & innovation; Paolo Forlin
38A. Towards a Landscape Archaeology of Wetlands; Benjamin Gearey
39D. Where next for Historic Landscape Characterisation?; Peter Herring
40E. Movescapes: integrated study of movement, pathways and settlement; Laure Nuninger
42E. Classical Archaeology and Landscapes; Will Kennedy
43A. Archaeohydrology as a discipline? ; Julien Charbonnier
44C. Landscape Archaeology and Reproducible Research; Daniel Knitter
45E. Landscape as excavation; Oscar Aldred
47D. Food in the urban landscape; Ingrid Sarlöv Herlin
48C. Landscapes and heritage on a national scale; Łukasz Banaszek
49G. Roman military landscapes; Al Oswald
50F. Converting the Landscape – Mapping religious conversion; Emmet Marron
51B. Coastal dynamics integrated in . . . the Eastern Mediterranean; Sjoerd Kluiving
52D. Landscape Archaeology as Landscape Planning; Gert-Jan Burgers
53D. Agricultural landscapes of the past that effect the present and inform the future; Carol Lang
54D. Urban Heritage Appeals - or what?; Grete Swensen
55/3A. Multi-proxy environmental archaeology in aquatic settings; Maarten van Hardenbroek
56D. A ‘natural’ place for Landscape Archaeology: Natural Parks; Alessandro Panetta
57.1 General sessions (i) People, myths and belief; ii) Constructing landscape histories; iii) Making and (mis)using landscapes; LAC2014 planning committee

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### Conference Programme

**LAC2018 Newcastle & Durham – Provisional Conference Programme (20 June 2018)**

#### Monday 17th September 2018

- **09:00 – 10:00** Main check-in (Registration)
- **10:30 – 11:00** **Coffee**
- **11:00 – 13:00** Sessions I

#### Tuesday 18th September 2018

- **09:00 – 10:00** Main check-in (Registration)
- **10:30 – 11:00** **Coffee**
- **11:00 – 13:00** Sessions II
- **14:00 – 16:00** Sessions III

#### Wednesday 19th September 2018

- **09:00 – 10:00** Sessions IV
- **11:00 – 13:00** Lunch

#### Thursday 20th September 2018

- **09:00 – 11:00** Sessions V
- **11:00 – 13:00** Lunch

#### Conference Excursions

Participants will be able to choose from one of four half day excursions in the afternoon of Wednesday 19th September. Each tour will begin in Durham at midday and coaches will return participants to Newcastle in the early evening. The four tours are (provisionally, details may change):

1. The North Pennines
2. Metropolitan landscapes (Tyne & Wear)
3. Hadrian’s Wall
4. Durham city, castle and cathedral Walking Tour

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Exhibitors
There will be displays at the conference by publishers and equipment manufacturers. There remain opportunities and space available for interested publishers, exhibitors or demonstrators to take display space or in some other way support, sponsor or participate in LAC2018, or to advertise relevant products and services. There will be a small fee (£150) for the costs of display space (tables, poster stands etc). Please email lac.2018@newcastle.ac.uk to discuss your requirements.

Registration
Registration is organised through Newcastle University. Follow this link to REGISTER. The final deadline for registration is 4th August 2018. The conference fee is £225, but a reduced fee of £195 is available for registration before 4th July 2018. The fee includes attendance, lunch and refreshments at the conference, the conference reception (17th September) and conference dinner (18th September) and one of the optional excursions on 19th September.

Membership of IALA
Registration is also open for membership of IALA – the International Association of Landscape Archaeology, the parent body of the LAC series of conferences. Follow this link for IALA membership. Membership permits voting rights and participation in the plenary session of the first General Assembly of IALA which will be held during LAC2018.

Accommodation
Participants are responsible for arranging and funding their own accommodation at the conference. Although part of the conference will take place in Durham, we recommend finding accommodation in Newcastle. Newcastle has a large range of types of number of accommodation; for convenience a list of hotels covering a range of prices can be found, booked and paid for when registering for the conference or by clicking this link.

Travel
Participants will need to arrange their own travel to Newcastle. Newcastle is easily accessible by direct flights to Newcastle International Airport, with links to the city centre provided by the Metro (a local train service). Newcastle also benefits from direct train services from all major UK cities including London (3 hours), Edinburgh (1.5 hours) and Manchester (3 hours).

For the parts of the conference held in Durham, transport by coach will be provided to Durham on the morning of 19th September) and returning (whether via one of the organised excursions or ) back to Newcastle in the evening.

Please register early for the conference in case places run out.
We look forward to welcoming you to LAC2018!

LAC2018 Organising Committee
20 June 2018
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