# Success of the 43rd International Conference of the Association of Environmental Archaeology in Tarragona

Over 110 national and international experts gathered at the Palau Firal i de Congressos de Tarragona to explore and discuss the latest developments in the field of environmental archaeology.

Last November 24th to 26th, Tarragona became the epicenter of environmental archaeological research by hosting the 43rd edition of the International Congress of the Association of Environmental Archaeology (AEA).

The event, expertly organized by the Catalan Institute of Classical Archaeology (ICAC-CERCA), a leader in the field through its research group GIAP, provided an exceptional platform for over 80 innovative and high-level presentations. These presentations showcased the achievements and the impact of the field of environmental archaeology on society.

> Environmental archaeology stands out for connecting various archaeological disciplines with environmental sciences, including archaeobotany, archaeozoology, and geoarchaeology.

“The AEA2023Tgn conference not only represented a unique opportunity to share the latest advances in the discipline internationally but also created a space for debate from a global and inclusive perspective,” emphasized **Alexandra Livarda**, Ramón y Cajal researcher at ICAC-CERCA and event coordinator.

> Environmental archaeology plays a crucial role in seeking solutions to current societal challenges, from sustainable development to biodiversity protection, added Livarda.

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The impact of the conference transcends academic boundaries, directly contributing to the understanding and preservation of our past. This was recorded, on the occasion of the conference, in the following CCMA news:

The **poster prize** went to Sabrina Bianco (IPHES-CERCA) and colleagues for their project on charcoal material from excavations in Barcelona. The research synthesised the results in a way that told the story of the development of urban systems in Barcelona. These results are of interest to fields beyond anthracology (charcoal analysis) and demonstrates the relevance of environmental archaeology for the analysis of urban expansion.

> The organizing committee at ICAC-CERCA gratefully received numerous congratulations, underscoring the success and relevance of the event. **The choice of Tarragona as the venue solidifies its position as an international hub for archaeological research**, highlighting the city's rich historical and cultural heritage.

We want to express our gratitude to the **Association of Environmental Archaeology** for choosing us to host the event and to all the participants who made this success possible.

We also extend our thanks to our sponsors: Port de Tarragona, AGAUR (Generalitat de Catalunya – 2021 SGR 00992), Patronat Municipal de Turisme de Tarragona, Associació Catalana de Bioarqueologia (ACBA), Esclat Parc Central, and BAR Publishing, whose support was essential for the realization of this outstanding international conference.

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The presence of international experts and the extensive coverage of the event will significantly contribute to promoting Tarragona as a cultural destination, once again highlighting the economic potential of conference tourism in the city.

For more information on event details, please visit the **official website of the Conference AEA2023Tgn**.

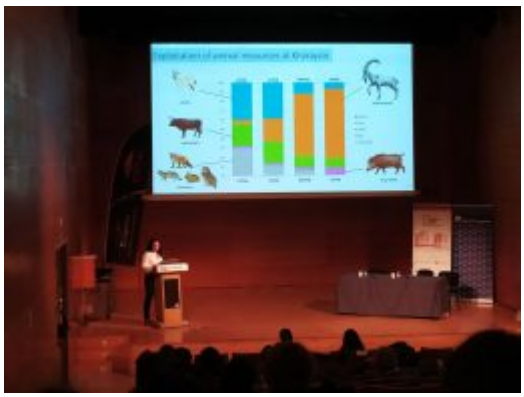
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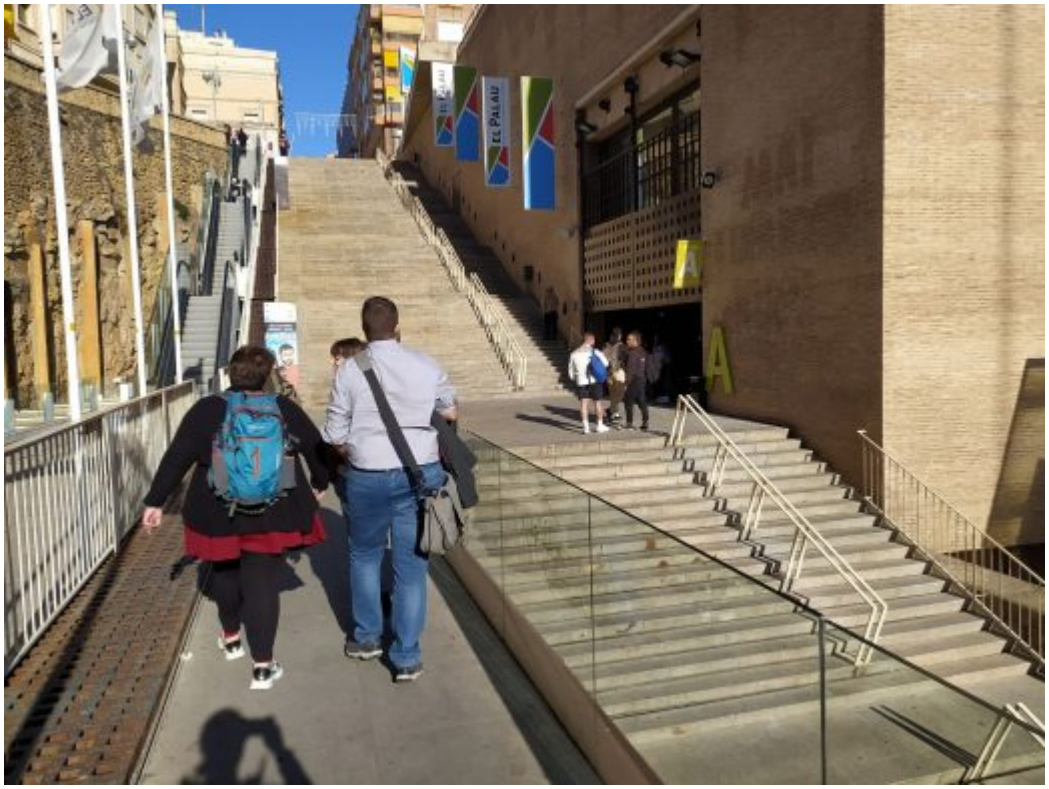











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