

Second Circular

The 7th Annual Meeting of the Asian Paleolithic Association

In Commemoration of the 50th Anniversary of the Discovery of Seokjangni Paleolithic Site, Gongju, Korea

Dear APA members and other colleagues,

As announced in the first circular, the Seventh Annual Meeting of the Asian Paleolithic Association will be held in the city of Gongju, Korea, between November 12 and 16, 2014. Organized by the Korean Paleolithic Society in behalf of the presidium of the Asian Paleolithic Association (APA), the conference will be an opportunity to share information about paleolithic research throughout Asia. It will also be a commemorative event to celebrate the beginning of paleolithic archaeology in Korea as marked by the discovery of the site of Seokjangni (or Seokjang-ri, following the new transliteration rules).

Since we sent out the first circular, so many enthusiastic responses arrived from across the world! In consideration of the subjects of interest indicated by the replies, the conference will be organized under four themes plus a poster session as described in the following page. Truly, we expect this Gongju conference will be a unique opportunity for everybody interested in the early cultural evidence in Asia. We would like to remind all of you who are interested in presenting paper that there is June 1 deadline. Colleagues who are in need of invitation letter for visa application and/or financial assistance must respond as soon as possible so that necessary arrangements can be made in time.

The third and final circular is planned to be mailed out around September 1, which will explain airport pick-up and other details of the conference.

We look forward to meeting you soon!

Cordially,

Organizers

Chair, Organizing Committee Secretary Committee Members YI, Seonbok (President, the Korean Paleolithic Society) KONG, Sujin (Yonsei University Wonju Museum) CHO, Tae-sop (Yonsei University Wonju Campus) LEE, Hanyong (Jeongok Prehistory Museum) LEE, Jungchul (Hanyang University Museum) YOO, Yongwook (Chungnam National University)



1. Conference Schedule

November 12 (Wednesday)

November 13 (Thursday)

November 14 (Friday)

November 15 (Saturday)

Arrival and Registration

Conference Sessions

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Post-Conference Excursion

November 16(Sunday) Departure

2. Venue

Sessions Goma Center, Gongju

Accommodations Hanok Village (limited availability) and Gumgang Hotel, Gongju

3. Theme of the Plenary Session

Variabilities in the East Asian Paleolithic – Similarities and Differences

Session I: Handaxes in East Asia

Session II: The Earliest 'Modern' Behavior Session III: Obsidian and Other Raw Materials

Session IV: Stratigraphy and Environment during the Pleistocene in Asia

Poster Session

4. Call for Papers

Official languages of the meeting are Korean and English, and there will be provided simultaneous translation. If you are to present your paper or participate in the poster session, please inform the organizing committee your proposed title using the attached REPLY FORM as soon as possible. The cut-off date for paper presentation is June 1, 2014. Abstracts are also expected to reach the Organizing Committee by this date. The abstract must be prepared with Microsoft Word 2003 or 2010. There is a limit up to 500 words for the abstract including the title, name(s) of the author(s), affiliation and email address. Family name should appear in capital letters.

5. Registration Fee

The registration fee for the conference participant is USD \$250 per person, which will include accommodations and meals for the conference period, conference kits and transportation service from/to the airport. Fee for the accompanying person will be USD \$ 150 per person. Accommodation is double occupancy. For those preferring single occupancy, there will be an extra charge of USD \$50 per night. Payments for registration and field excursion can also be made in Chinese Yuan or Japanese Yen at official exchange rate of the day. Payment is for cash only as we are not authorized to process credit or check cards.

If you need financial assistance for travel, lodging and/or registration, please contact the organizing committee as soon as possible by writing to the e-mail address indicated below. We will be able to provide supports for a limited number of participants upon receiving grants from the Korea Research Foundation and other agencies.

6. Post-conference Excursion

In the post-conference excursion, we will travel along the lower Han, the Imjin and the Hantan River in the central part of the Korean peninsula. With such sites as Jeongok-ri(Chŏngok-ri) and many others covering a prolonged period of Middle to terminal Pleistocene, the area probably represents one of the most important areas for paleolithic research in East Asia.

Schedule of the excursion is not finalized. Nevertheless, given the distance involved, we have to leave Gongju very early in the morning. Upon returning to Seoul, participants will spend a night at the guest house of the Seoul National University. The fee for the excursion is USD \$150 per person, which will include transportation, field guide booklet, lodging and meals.

For all conference-related communications, please write to apakorea2014@gmail.com.