

## [IOW-ARCH Indian Ocean World Archaeology Conference](#)

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Type:

Conference

Date:

January 10, 2020 to January 11, 2020

Location:

United Kingdom

Subject Fields:

Archaeology, Asian History / Studies, Islamic History / Studies, Maritime History / Studies, World History / Studies

We are in the process of establishing an annual or biennial research meeting/conference on the archaeology, material culture and heritage of the Indian Ocean (defined as from East Africa to Japan, including Australasia) from the first millennium BC to the contemporary era. The model is likely to be similar to the annual Islamic Archaeology Day at University College London, but lasting perhaps up to two-days and with the location moving between different academic host institutions. The first conference is being held at the Institute of Arab and Islamic studies (IAIS), University of Exeter, with financial sponsorship provided by the Centre for Islamic Archaeology.

The idea is born out of the significant growth in Indian Ocean archaeology that has taken place in recent years, and the fact that there is still no regular forum where researchers can meet, present on their latest research, get to know each other, and discuss relevant topics. The aim is for the forum to be international, informal and research-focussed.

The first meeting will take place in Exeter on **Friday 10<sup>th</sup> and Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2020**.

The session will begin on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> at 17:30-18:30 (registration from 16:00) with a preliminary discussion of the aims and objectives of the group followed by a drinks reception, an exhibition opening in the IAIS Street Gallery (entitled *Chinese Ceramics in East Africa: Consumption, Display and Modification from the 9th century to today*) and a meal. Presentations will be on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 (registration from 8:30) until 17:00 followed by drinks and perhaps another meal.

**Papers.** Presentations are welcome on all aspects of the archaeology, material culture and heritage of the Indian Ocean, as defined above. Presentations should be in English and must not exceed 15 minutes. Power Point facilities will be available.

To apply please submit:

- A presentation title
- A 400 word abstract

Applications should include your name, position and institution, and contact details, and be

submitted by email to Hannah Parsons, the conference assistant, ([hp382@exeter.ac.uk](mailto:hp382@exeter.ac.uk)) by **15<sup>th</sup> September 2019**.

**Registration.** Both speakers and non-speaking audience members are welcome to register. Registration costs £25 (£15 for students) and includes conference programme, drinks reception on the 10<sup>th</sup>, and refreshments and lunch on the 11<sup>th</sup>.

Register directly through the following link -

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/iow-arch-indian-ocean-world-archaeology-conference-tickets-66670048911>

Organising Committee:

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