

Online Meeting of the International Advisory Board of the Institute of Archaeology of the Czech Academy of Sciences, Prague held on 1 September 2021

Minutes

Present:

- Claus von Carnap-Bornheim
- Felipe Criado-Boado
- Cynthia Dunning
- Wolfgang Haak
- Jerzy Piekalski
- Jan Mařík (Director; IAP)
- Petr Květina (Co-Director; IAP)
- Jaroslav Řídký (PR Manager; IAP)

1. Introduction (Jan Mařík)

- Introductory word by Jan Mařík, Director of the Institute of Archaeology of the Czech Academy of Sciences, Prague (IAP)
- Introduction of the International Advisory Board (IAB) which were established by Director of the IAP, after consulting the Institute Board and the Academy Council of the Czech Academy of Sciences, according to Article 10 paragraph 2 of the Appendix to the Statutes of the Czech Academy of Sciences. The IAB serve as a permanent advisory body to the Director of the IAP.
- Members of the IAB are: Prof. Felipe Criado-Boado (Institute of Heritage Sciences (Incipit) of the CSIC), Prof. Dr. Claus von Carnap-Bornheim (Zentrum für Baltische und Skandinavische Archäologie), Dr. Wolfgang Haak (Max Planck Institut Jena (Německo) Department of Archaeogenetics), Dr. Cynthia Dunning (ICOMOS International Scientific Committee on Archaeological Heritage Management), Prof. Dr. Jerzy Piekalski (University of Wroclaw, Archeologia Department).
- List of members of the IAB and the Legal status of the IAB are published on the web pages of the IAP.

2. Tasks of the IAB (Petr Květina)

- Summarising reasons why the IAP established the IAB; the main IAB's roles are:
 - to advice the research strategy of the Institute;
 - to advice with the grant research programmes and research topics;
 - to give a reflection of the past and future periodic evaluations;
 - to formulate short audit of the Institute activities on the annual level.
- Regular meeting of the IAB shall take place once per year (in person, hybrid or online depending on the situation)



- The most important task of the IAB can be considered to be the creation of an annual brief audit of the IAP and its research teams and activities. For these purposes, the IAP will provide a translation of the annual report into English.

3. Introduction of the IAP and evaluation of the past five years (Jan Mařík)

- Director introduced structure of the IAP (see picture) and its main activities, which are research, archaeological heritage management (including infrastructure), teaching and dissemination of knowledge toward the general public.



- Public relations: Jaroslav Řídký (PR manager) stated that in recent years the IAP has been significantly visible in the media.
- The IAP does not have a legal opportunity to train students (including PhD) directly. In this
 regard, the IAP cooperates with universities based on agreements on joint PhD study
 programs. The European project DONOTE is also underway, which further develops
 cooperation with universities.
- The Department of Medieval Archaeology deals with the archaeology of modernity. The structure of the department, including the name, will be the subject of discussion also following recommendations of the international evaluation committee of the Czech Academy of Sciences.
- Rescue excavations are main source of data for the IAP research; therefore they are an important part of IAP work.
- The IAP shall formulate a new concept of the 'Archeologické rozhledy' journal.



4. Election of Chair and Vice-Chair positions

- The IAB should be lead by Chair and Vice-Chair. The Chair acts on behalf of the IAB in all relevant matters and is responsible to the Director of the Institute. During the absence of the Chair, the Vice-Chair or an IAB member authorised by the Chair shall deputise for him/her.
- The members of IAB requested to postopone the voting until next meeting.

5. Any Other Business

- Topics to focus and discuss on further:
 - The role of the IAP in the European archaeological research community
 - Public archaeology
 - Medieval archaeology department should move toward the historical archaeology, taking into account a long and dynamic history of the Czech lands and include archaeology of modernity
 - A PR strategy for the accessibility of results and activities of the IAP should be reformulated
- Next meeting of the IAB will take place at the end of 2021 or in the beginning of 2022.