

Call for papers
14th International Colloquium
on Palaeo-Hispanic Languages and Cultures
Bordeaux - Ausonius 25-27 October 2021

**Paleo-Hispanic languages and cultures:
connections, interrelationships and networks**

Since 1974, researchers dedicated to Palaeo-Hispanic studies have been meeting regularly to share their progress in understanding the languages and cultures of the Iberian Peninsula in Antiquity, based on their own disciplines (history, archaeology, philology, epigraphy, numismatics, art history). Palaeo-Hispanic documentation is not, however, limited exclusively to the Iberian Peninsula: several hundred inscriptions are documented in southern Gaul and French researchers have contributed to Palaeo-Hispanic studies from the very beginning. However, since the beginning of these colloquia, none of them has taken place in France so far. The 2021 meeting, scheduled to take place in Bordeaux, aims to focus on our current knowledge of the different Palaeo-Hispanic cultural areas with a special interest on Iberian, Celtic and Aquitanian documentation in Southern Gaul.

Traditionally, the Palaeo-Hispanic Colloquia devote at least one session to the Iberian and southern domain, another to the Celtiberian area and a third to the rest of the peninsular areas. On the occasion of this meeting on French territory, it has been considered appropriate to devote a complete session to the Mediterranean domain and another session to the Atlantic domain of southern Gaul, with the aim of making known the scientific contributions on these areas and especially recent archaeological developments. The contextualisation and material dimension of Palaeohispanic studies will therefore be particularly emphasised in this meeting.

We would also like to go beyond these traditional divisions. The Palaeo-Hispanic linguistic regions (Iberian, Celtic, Lusitanian, Southwestern and Basque-Aquitania) have coexisted throughout recent protohistory, interacting with each other and with other external groups. In addition to these linguistic contacts, there are other sociological and material contacts. These interactions can only be understood if they are imagined in the form of a complex, multilateral network, devoid of apparent hierarchy, with a fluid relationship in its geographical extension. The focus will be on (but not limited to) networks that structure the functioning of the Palaeo-Hispanic ensemble and, beyond that, integrate it into the wider horizon of continental and maritime spaces (Atlantic and Mediterranean). The choice of Bordeaux as the venue for this colloquium was not accidental: both the history of the region and the research carried out at the Ausonius Institute offer many points of connection with the themes discussed during the Palaeo-Hispanic Colloquia.

We therefore encourage all researchers wishing to present a paper on these topics (with an expected duration of 20 min. followed by 10 min. of discussion) to send an abstract of about 300 words to Coline Ruiz Darasse (coline.ruiz-darasse@u-bordeaux-montaigne.fr), in French, Spanish, Portuguese, German or English, **before 30 May 2021**.

The Colloquium will be face-to-face, as far as health regulations allow.