

Session title: E-LEARNING SOLUTIONS IN TEACHING AND TRAINING OF ARCHAEOLOGISTS IN EUROPE

A round table of the EAA Committee on the Teaching and Training of Archaeologists

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Room:

Session abstract:

E-learning is used to refer to a form of learning in which the instructor and student are separated by space or time and who are bridged through the use of online technologies. Online education is rapidly increasing at institutions of higher and life-long education across many disciplines. Surprisingly, these innovative methods of education have hardly been implemented in archaeology. However, online training has a potential to raise standards of teaching and training of archaeology in Europe.

The round table aims to exchange experience and ideas in this field and encourage international co-operation. The round table is organized around the newly started Leonardo da Vinci project E-learning as a tool of knowledge transfer in the field of protection and management of archaeological heritage. The project arose due to the perception of a unsatisfactory dissemination of archaeological heritage issues among practitioners in the field across Europe. Its objective is to exchange the best practices and innovative solutions as well as to develop and implement methodology of e-learning training in the field of protection and management of archaeological heritage. The practical result of the project will involve production of multimedia e-learning course composed of fifteen modules.

Issues discussed at the round table involve a potential usefulness of e-learning solutions in archaeology, methods of transfer of traditional materials into the form of e-learning courses, training procedures, target groups and the like.

This is a round table without formal presentations. However, the following individuals will present short introductory remarks. They will follow by a general discussion.

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