INSIGHT 2022–2024
An international, hybrid workshop on
the University of Cyprus A.G. Leventis Foundation research project

A unique monument at the crossroads of political transformation:
Investigation and documentation of the Palaepaphos-Laona tumulus

Organised in the framework of the Palaepaphos Urban Landscape Project (PULP 2006–2024)

9.30–10.00 Welcome addresses
Professor Maria Iacovou
Director of PULP – Principal Investigator, INSIGHT
Professor Vasiliki Kassianidou
Deputy Minister of Culture
Professor Tasos Christofides
Rector, University of Cyprus
Dr Giorgos Georgiou
Director, Department of Antiquities, Cyprus
Professor Ourania Kouka
Deputy Director, Archaeological Research Unit

Part I: The mound
10.00–10.20  Laona 2011–2024: Introducing the research associates and the development of a research methodology
Maria Iacovou (University of Cyprus)

10.20–10.40  Laona: Geomorphological identification
Zomenia Zomeni (Cyprus Geological Survey)

10.40–11.10 Coffee break

11.10–11.30 An overview of the digital documentation of the tumulus of Laona during the period 2011–2023
Athos Agapiou and Kyriakos Themistokleous (Cyprus University of Technology)
11.30–11.50 The geoarchaeological study of the monumental earthwork at Laona
Myrsini Gkouma (STARC, Cyprus Institute) and Takis Karkanas (M. Wiener Lab, ASCSA)

11.50–12.10 Mapping the subterranean context of the tumulus at Laona
Apostolos Sarris (University of Cyprus) and Nikos Papadopoulos (Institute for Mediterranean Studies, Crete)

PART II: Monuments revealed under the mound — excavation and documentation

12.10–12.30 Excavating the pseudo-monument and the rampart at Laona
Jacopo Tabolli (Università per Stranieri, Siena)

12.30–12.50 The use of advanced geomatic technologies for the documentation of archaeological sites: Survey, study, and analysis of the complex geometries at Palaepaphos-Laona
Daniella Oreni, Branka Cuca, Luigi Barazetti (Politecnico di Milano) and Athos Agapiou (Cyprus University of Technology)

PART III: Ceramic analysis, dating and historical interpretation at the crossroads of political transformation

14.20–14.40 Ceramic testimonies from a unique monument: The typo-chronological examination of the pottery from Laona
Artemis Georgiou and Anna Georgiadou (University of Cyprus)

14.40–15.00 Revisiting the transition from the Cypro-Classical to the Hellenistic period: 12 years later
Giorgos Papantoniou (Trinity College Dublin)

15.00–15.20 Cyprus and the Macedonians: From the conquest to the establishment of royal power and administrative structures
Panos Christodoulou (European University Cyprus)

15.20–15.40 Is Laona a burial tumulus? A landscape analysis approach to an enigma
Maria Iacovou (University of Cyprus)

15.40–16.00 Discussion

12.50–13.10 Discussion

13.10–14.20 Lunch break