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Call for papers: session #690 (theme #1)

Woodland archaeology:

approaches, methods, current problems and future perspectives

A vast part of Europe is covered with forests (esp. Central, Eastern and Northern Europe), however, systematic field research within woodlands has often been neglected by field archaeologists. The application of standard archaeological techniques in forested environments such as surface, topographic and geophysical survey in dense vegetation, and the use of GPS or ALS data can certainly encounter a number of problems. On the other hand many wooded areas offer a unique opportunity to investigate well-preserved remains of former human activities, whose traces have not been erased or transformed by modern agriculture, industrialisation or urbanisation. In some historical periods it is possible in some regions to reveal complete segments of deserted cultural landscapes due to the process of forest succession. This session will focus on recent theoretical approaches and methodologies in woodland archaeology. We will address topics ranging from the formation processes of the archaeological record within forested environments, the use of non-invasive methods and targeted excavations, the classification and interpretation of anthropogenic features, as well as the potential threats to archaeological features and landscapes posed by modern forest management techniques.

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- Session Format: papers, max. 15 minutes each.

- **Deadline: 15th of February 2018**

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