

Einladung zum Vortrag

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New Archaeological and Historical Narratives of the Mongol Invasion in Central Europe (1241-42)

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The Mongol invasion of Central Europe (Hungary, Poland, Silesia, Moravia, Austria) in 1241-42 was one of the most dramatic events of the medieval history of this region. Written sources and eyewitness accounts describe the destruction of large areas by the Mongol army and the impact of the invasion.

These accounts (from England to China) offer very different narratives on the sequence of the events and they shaped the modern historical interpretations for a long time.

Archaeological investigations carried out during the last two decades in the region and particularly in Hungary led to a change of paradigm in the research of this period.

New studies of hoards conflict archaeology, new investigations on settlement dynamism combined with the re-interpretation of historical sources offer now a new image of the invasion and the destruction caused by this.

A recent major research project in Hungary produced significant new results for the interpretation of archaeological finds, proxy data and various indicators on destruction and desertion processes in the context of the invasion. The lecture will present these results and the emerging new archaeological narratives of this crucial historical period.



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