The 23rd EUROPEAN MAYA CONFERENCE, November 5th to 10th, 2018
at Universidad de Valencia and Universidad Politécnica de Valencia

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WAYEB The European Association of Mayanists

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The 23rd European Maya Conference

The 23rd European Maya Conference is co-organised by WAYEB, the European Association of Mayanists, together with the University of Valencia and the Polytechnic University of Valencia in Spain. The conference will begin with an introductory lecture to the workshops on Monday November 5th, followed by three-day workshops and concludes with a two-day symposium held from Friday November 9th to Saturday November 10th 2018 at the University of Valencia / Polytechnic University of Valencia.

The Conference theme for EMC23 is WOMEN AND MAYA CULTURE. The conference will be devoted to debating various aspects pertaining to the aspect of women in Maya culture, both from a historical vantage as well as from the perspective of research history and scientific progress. Three main thematic sessions have been established for this purpose:

1) In the first session, entitled “Women in the ancient Maya culture”, research will be presented which, from a gender perspective, will contribute to making visible the role played by women in the ancient Maya society, with special emphasis on their participation in political relations between the different kingdoms of the Classic Maya period, contributions to the productive system as well as their pivotal role in religious and ritual events. This will be addressed from a variety of different disciplinary approaches, including archaeology, iconography, epigraphy, literature and anthropology.

2) In the second session “Explorers in the Maya area of the 19th and 20th centuries and the first scientific research led by women” will highlight the work of women explorers of the 19th and early 20th centuries, despite the adverse conditions encountered in the rainforest of the Maya area, in search of ancient ruined cities to document them through photographs and drawings of high quality, and whose names have been unduly left in unfair anonymity. The session will also address the contribution that scientists such as Tatiana Proskouriakoff and Linda Schele, among others, have made to the field of architecture, art and Maya epigraphy. This will allow a reassessment of their work in light of technological advances of the 21st century, which will be of great interest and heighten the scope of their initial contributions.

3) Finally, the third session “Women in contemporary Maya society” will focus on the role that women play in today’s Maya society, especially with regard to the preservation of ancient traditions, while at the same time addressing the gradual loss of power that has been experienced throughout the history of this culture.
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**WORKSHOPS - PROGRAM**

**Monday, November 5th**
Centro del Carme Cultura Contemporánea

15:15-16:15 | Registration

16:15-16:30 | Welcome address – Harri Kettunen, President of Wayeb (University of Helsinki), Cristina Vidal Lorenzo and Gaspar Muñoz Cosme, Local Organisers (Universidad de Valencia and Universidad Politécnica de Valencia).

16:30-18:30 | Introductory lecture – Marc Zender (Tulane University).

18:30-20:30 | Welcome cocktail.

**Tuesday, November 6th**

9:30-17:30 | Workshops: Sala Seminario I and Sala Seminario II (Colegio Mayor Rector Peset) and Sala de Juntas (Facultad de Geografía e Historia, Universidad de Valencia).

**Sala Palmireno (Aula F. 3.4), Facultad de Geografía e Historia, Universidad de Valencia.**

CHAIR: Núria Feliu Beltrán

18:00-19:30 | Special lecture: *El Códice Maya de México, antes Grolier*- Sofía Martínez del Campo Lanz, Susana Xelhuantzi, José Luis Alvarado, Fernando Sánchez Martínez, Josefina Bautista y Alba Barrios (Instituto Nacional de Antropología e Historia, México) Erik Velásquez García y Miguel Ángel Martínez Carrillo (Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México).

**Wednesday, November 7th**

9:30-17:30 | Workshops: Sala Seminario I and Sala Seminario II (Colegio Mayor Rector Peset) and Sala de Juntas (Facultad de Geografía e Historia, Universidad de Valencia).

**Thursday, November 8th**

9:30-17:30 | Workshops: Sala Seminario I and Sala Seminario II (Colegio Mayor Rector Peset) and Sala de Juntas (Facultad de Geografía e Historia, Universidad de Valencia).

17:30-19:30 | Wayeb General Assembly: Sala de Juntas, Facultad de Geografía e Historia, Universidad de Valencia.
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MAYA SYMPOSIUM – PROGRAM
Women and Maya Culture

Friday, November 9th
Aula Magna, Escuela Técnica Superior de Arquitectura
Universidad Politécnica de Valencia

09:00-09:30 | Registration

CHAIR: Cristina Vidal Lorenzo (Universidad de Valencia)

09:00-09:30 | Welcome address –

Francisco Mora Mas, Rector Magnífico de la Universidad Politécnica de Valencia,
Harri Kettunen, President of Wayeb (University of Helsinki), Cristina Vidal Lorenzo and Gaspar
Muñoz Cosme, Local Organisers (Universidad de Valencia and Universidad Politécnica de
Valencia).

09:30-10:15 | Rosemary Joyce (University of California, Berkeley) – La posición de la mujer en la
cultura Maya: resultados de medio siglo de investigaciones y perspectivas para el futuro

10:15-10:40 | Cristina Vidal Lorenzo (Universidad de Valencia) and Gaspar Muñoz Cosme
(Universidad Politécnica de Valencia) – Mujer y cultura maya

10:40-11:10 | Coffee break

CHAIR: Gaspar Muñoz Cosme (Universidad Politécnica de Valencia)

SESSION A Women in the ancient Maya culture

11:10-11:35 | Harri Kettunen (University of Helsinki) – Ancient Maya Female Onomastics

11:35-12:00 | Marc Zender (Tulane University) – Revisiting Three Classic Maya Portrait Glyphs

12:00-12:25 | Mallory E. Matsumoto (Brown University) and Mary Kate Kelly (Tulane
University) – Woven Words: Women and Classic Maya Hieroglyphs

12:25-12:50 | Nikolai Grube (Rheinische Friedrich Wilhelms Universität, Bonn) – Princesas
viajando: Movilidad de las mujeres de la nobleza maya

12:50-13:15 | Oswaldo Chinchilla (Yale University) – Mujeres, metates y mitos

13:15-14:45 | Lunch break
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CHAIR: Mª Luisa Vázquez de Ágredos Pascual (Universidad de Valencia)

SESSION B Women in the ancient Maya culture

14:45-15:10 | Dmitri Beliaev, Philipp Galeev and Sergei Vepretskii (Russian State University) – On the Mother’s Side: Royal Women and Maternal Ancestors in Early Classic Peten

15:10-15:35 | Boguchwala Tuszynska (Independent researcher) – Actividad ritual entre las mujeres mayas del periodo Clásico

15:35-16:00 | Rogelio Valencia Rivera (Independent researcher) – The Saga of the Kabel Women of the Kan’ul Dynasty

16:00-16:30 | Coffee break

CHAIR: Harri Kettunen (University of Helsinki)

SESSION C Women in the ancient and early colonial Maya culture

16:30-16:55 | Dorota Bojkowska (Jagiellonian University) and Joanna Asia Jablonska (University of Bonn) – Elite Women’s Burials from the Classic Maya Period

16:55-17:20 | Cameron L. McNeil (Lehman College and the Graduate Center, CUNY), Edy Barrios (Universidad San Carlos de Guatemala-CUDEP) and Mauricio Díaz (PARAC) – Hidden from the Inscriptions: Elite and Commoner Women in the Ancient Polity of Copan


18:00-18:45 | Homage to Dr. Alfonso Lacadena García-Gallo

Harri Kettunen (University of Helsinki), Cristina Vidal Lorenzo (Universidad de Valencia), Gaspar Muñoz Cosme (Universidad Politécnica de Valencia), Mª Josefa Iglesias Ponce de León, Andrés Ciudad Ruiz, Jesús Adánez Pavón (Universidad Complutense de Madrid), Ana García Barrios (Universidad Rey Juan Carlos I).

19:00-20:30 | Conference Cocktail. Hall Escuela Técnica Superior de Arquitectura, Universidad Politécnica de Valencia.
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SYMPOSIUM – PROGRAM

Saturday, November 10th
Paraninfo de la Universidad de Valencia, Centre Cultural la Nau.

CHAIR: Rogelio Valencia Rivera (Independent researcher)

SESSION D Explorers in the Maya area of the 19th and 20th centuries and the first scientific research led by women

09:00-09:25 | Andrea Peiró Vitoria (Universidad Politécnica de Valencia) and Óscar Quintana Samaya (Universidad San Carlos de Guatemala) – Estructura y espacio en la ciudad maya: contribuciones de Annegrete Hohmann-Vogrin

09:25-09:50 | Claudia Zehrt and Kate Jarvis (British Museum) – A Glimpse at the Women (Behind Late 19th Century Maya Exploration)

09:50-10:15 | Elaine Day Schele (Austin Community College) – Linda Schele: The Early Years

10:15-10:40 | Anabelle Rodríguez (Rutgers University) and Alessandro Pezzati (University of Pennsylvania Museum of Archaeology and Anthropology) – The Accidental Mayanist: Tatiana Proskouriakoff

10:40-11:10 | Coffee break

CHAIR: Nuria Matarredona Desantes (Universidad Politécnica de Valencia)

SESSION E Women in contemporary Maya society

11:10-11:35 | Patricia Horcajada Campos and Belén Romero Caballero (Universidad de Valencia) – Mujeres mayas: arte e identidad

11:35-12:00 | Genner Llanes Ortiz (Leiden University) – Maya Women and Arts: Creative Forces for a New B’aktun

12:00-12:25 | Catherine J. Letcher Lazo – Father Sun and Mother Moon: The Cultural Construction of Femininity among the Yucatec Maya, Mexico

12:25-12:50 | Monika Banach (Jagiellonian University) and Elena Brito Herrera (Asociación de Grupos de Mujeres Tejedoras Ixiles Q’imb’al) – Meal Ixil Tenam, The Daughters of the Ixil People: Gender Perspective on the Processes of Change in the Religiosity of the Ixil Maya

13:00-13:30 | Conference closing and Flag Ceremony