

At the crossroads of worlds. Magdalénien and Epigravettian in Central and Eastern Europe

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Abstract:

The late phase of the Last Glacial Maximum (LGM) and the period following its end represent one of the most significant periods in the formation of Europe's cultural landscape. During this time, Central Europe was recolonised by Magdalénien communities arriving from the west. These communities occupied areas that had previously been more or less densely populated, where traces of Epigravettian settlement can be observed, functioning during the LGM and post-LGM periods in Eastern European areas. The eastern part of Central Europe comprises those areas where the settlement of these two great cultural complexes could have coexisted. The proposed session is intended to present the current state of research on these two complexes, as well as the issues of their possible contacts, relations and interactions, or the boundaries between them.