

'Rewilding' later prehistory







'Rewilding' later prehistory workshop 2: A future context for palaeoenvironmental data in Britain and beyond Friday 21 April 2023, 10.00-17.00, Ioannou Centre, 66 St Giles', Oxford OX1 3LU

Format: Hybrid workshop: in-person by invitation and a wider set of remote participants

Workshop aims:

- (i) Introduce the 'Rewilding' project's OASIS+ module initiative for plant macrofossil and vertebrate animal remains and explore if/how this can be informed by other data centralisation initiatives in Britain
- (ii) Consider European models for 'industry'-driven research which engage with environmental data
- (iii) Explore the future role of paleoenvironmental evidence from Britain in global digital initiatives

Programme:

10.00 Arrival - coffee/tea and opening remarks (Anwen Cooper/Tina Roushannafas)

Part 1: Insights from wider large-scale data centralisation initiatives in British archaeology

10.15 Talk 1: Introduction to OASIS+ modules, their role on the 'Rewilding' project, and how they can work for environmental archaeology in the future (Tim Evans, Archaeology Data Service)

10.35 Talk 2: Building an accessible centralised dataset for radiocarbon measurements in Britain and Ireland: Project Radiocarbon: dates as data and the dates as knowledge structures (Seren Griffiths, Manchester Metropolitan Univ.)

10.55 Talk 3: Building an accessible centralised dataset for maritime archaeology in Britain: Unpath'd Waters (Fraser Sturt, University of Southampton)

11.15 Tea/coffee/biscuits

11.35 Group discussion: Finding common ground between data gathering projects in British Archaeology (15-minute small group discussion, 10-minute feedback)

12.00 Group activity: OASIS+ brainstorm: which data do we need to log routinely to facilitate paleoenvironmental research in Britain? (30-minute activity, 15-minute feedback)

12.45 Lunch

Part 2: Insights from European industry-driven research in environmental archaeology

13.45 Talk 4: Mechanisms and opportunities for research in developer-funded (bio)archaeology in the Netherlands (Inge van der Jagt, Cultural Heritage Agency, Netherlands)

14:05 Talk 5: INSTAR: transforming environmental archaeology in research and industry in Ireland (Penny Johnston, UCD)

14.25 Group discussion: Developing research and synthesis opportunities for environmental specialists in developer-funded archaeology (15-minute small group discussion, 10-minute feedback)

Part 3: Environmental archaeology data practices in Britain in the context of global data initiatives

14.50 Group activity: Putting global palaeoenvironmental datasets to work (30-minute activity, 20-minute discussion)

15.40 Tea/coffee/biscuits

16.00 Talk 6: Global environmental data initiatives and why these matter to environmental archaeology in Britain (Holly Wright, Archaeology Data Service)

16.20 Group discussion: Harvesting the potential of global data initiatives (10-minute small group discussion, 5-minute group feedback)

16.35 Key themes from the day, next steps, and practical outcomes

17.00 Close

