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# **Cyprus and the Anatolian South Coast from the Late Bronze to the Early Iron Age:**

## **Dynamics of Interaction in a Period of Transformation**

Conference  
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- 08:30–09:00 **Registration**
- 09:00–09:10 **Teresa Bürge** (Bern/Vienna), **Ekin Kozal** (Çanakkale/Bern), **Mirko Novák** (Bern)  
Welcome and introduction: Cyprus and the Southern coast of Anatolia – state of research, problems and prospects
- 09:10–09:50 **Peter M. Fischer** (Gothenburg)  
Hala Sultan Tekke, Cyprus in the 12<sup>th</sup> century BCE: the final years of a remarkable city
- 09:50–10:30 **Teresa Bürge** (Bern/Vienna/Gothenburg)  
The 12<sup>th</sup> century BCE pottery repertoire from Hala Sultan Tekke
- 10:30–10:50 **Coffee**
- 10:50–11:30 **Sabine Fourier** (Lyon)  
The Late Bronze Age – Early Iron Age settlement at Kition-*Bamboula*: new insights from recent excavations
- 11:30–12:10 **Anna Georgiadou** (Nicosia), **Artemis Georgiou** (Nicosia)  
Transitions and transformations in the pottery record from the Late Bronze Age – Early Iron Age settlement of Kition-*Bamboula*
- 12:00–14:00 **Lunch**
- 14:00–14:40 **Maria Iacovou** (Nicosia)  
Ancient Paphos from Late Cypriot IIIA to the early Cypro-Geometric period. Settlement structure and ceramic industry transformations (12<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> c. BC)
- 14:40–15:20 **Anna Satraki** (Nicosia)  
Approaching Idalion and its territory at the transition from the Late Bronze to the Early Iron Age: challenges and prospects
- 15:20–16:00 **Coffee**
- 16:00–16:40 **Eric Jean** (Çorum)  
The place of Yumuktepe in the exchange network between Cyprus and Cilicia at the end of the Late Bronze Age
- 16:40–17:20 **Remzi Yağcı** (Izmir)  
Cypriot-Cilician relations during the Late Bronze Age: the case of Soli
- 17:20–18:00 **Break/discussion**
- 18:00–19:00 Keynote lecture: **Marie-Henriette Gates** (Ankara)  
Connecting Cyprus and Cilicia in the Bronze and Iron Ages: an interactive challenge
- 19:30 **Speakers' dinner** (Restaurant Beaulieu, Erlachstrasse 3)

**Sunday, 7 May 2023**

**Mittelstrasse 43, Room 124**

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| 09:00–09:40 | <b>Gunnar Lehmann</b> (Be'er Sheva)<br>Kinet Höyük, an Early Iron Age harbor in Cilicia   |
| 09:40–10:20 | <b>Fabrizio Bättscher</b> (Bern), <b>Joëlle Heim</b> (Bern), <b>Silvana Hunger</b> (Bern)<br>Sirkeli Höyük – building, living and producing                                       |
| 10:20–11:00 | <b>Hannah Mönninghoff</b> (Bern)<br>Same same but different? The Cypriote style pottery takeover at Sirkeli Höyük   |
| 11:00–11:30 | Coffee  |
| 11:30–12:10 | <b>Aslı Özyar</b> (Istanbul)<br>The settlement of Tarsus-Gözlükule during the transition from the Late Bronze to the Iron Age   |
| 12:10–12:50 | <b>Elif Ünlü</b> (Istanbul)<br>Tarsus-Gözlükule: Late Bronze and Early Iron Age periods based on pottery analysis   |
| 12:50–14:30 | Lunch   |
| 14:30–15:10 | <b>Deniz Yaşin</b> (Bern), <b>Ekin Kozal</b> (Çanakale/Bern)<br>Tepebağ Höyük in the Late Bronze Age: local and Cypriot pottery   |
| 15:10–15:50 | <b>Ekin Kozal</b> (Çanakale/Bern)<br>The Final Bronze Age at Kilise Tepe through the lens of the pottery from the Stele Building  |
| 15:50–16:20 | Coffee  |
| 16:20–17:00 | <b>Paula Waiman-Barak</b> (Tel Aviv)<br>Tracing ancient trade networks: provenance studies of Cypriot pottery from the Late Bronze to the Iron Age in Cyprus and the Levant       |
| 17:00–17:40 | <b>Vasiliki Kassianidou</b> (Nicosia)<br>The connections between Cyprus and the Anatolian South Coast in the Bronze Age and Early Iron Age relating to metal production and trade |
| 17:40–18:20 | <b>Ümit Güder</b> (Prague/Düsseldorf)<br>Early iron production and smithing in Cilicia: an overview   |
| 18:20–18:45 | End of day discussion   |
| 20:00       | Speakers' dinner (Restaurant Rosengarten, Alter Aargauerstalden 31b)  |

**Monday, 8 May 2023**

**Hallerstrasse 6, Room 205**

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| 09:00–09:40 | <b>Mirko Novák</b> (Bern)<br>Hiyawa/Kawa – Neo-Hittite formations and structures in Cilicia   |
| 09:40–10:20 | <b>Christian Körner</b> (Bern)<br>A look beyond the Late Bronze Age horizon: the Cypriot kingdoms and the Near Eastern empires from the 8 <sup>th</sup> to the 4 <sup>th</sup> centuries BC |
| 10:20–11:00 | <b>Annick Payne</b> (Bern)<br>Speak slowly and clearly, I only know Luvian  |
| 11:00–11:30 | Coffee  |
| 11:30–12:30 | Final discussion, summary, proceedings, future activities   |
| 12:30       | Lunch; afternoon trip   |
| 19:30       | Speakers' dinner (Restaurant Lötschberg, Zeughausgasse 16)  |



## About the conference

The aim of the conference is to gain a comparative insight into two regions of the eastern Mediterranean, Cyprus and the Anatolian South coast – in specific Cilicia – during the Late Bronze to early Iron Age transition (ca. 1200–1000 BCE). Although these two regions are located very close to each other and are connected by a relatively short sea route, they have often been discussed independently from each other. Hence, possible influences, interconnections and interplays have largely been neglected.

The period from the final Late Bronze to the early Iron Age is characterised by profound political, social and economic disruptions in the entire region, which, as yet, are not sufficiently understood – not least due to the common separation of the Bronze Age from the Iron Age in research.

The following questions will be explored, mainly based on results of ongoing excavations and projects:

- Which developments can we trace in the settlement history, the architecture, the pottery and the material culture in this period?
- Are there parallels between these two regions?
- What role do economic interactions and trade play, e.g. considering metals like copper from Cyprus and iron from Anatolia?
- Which information can we gain from written sources?

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