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Theme: 5. Climate Change and Socioenvironmental Perspectives

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Domestication of Space: Internal and External Dwelling Structures in Middle and Upper Palaeolithic Sites

The structuration of the settlement area is a bright feature of Middle and Upper Palaeolithic campsites. Different occupation characteristics can be identified by the functional specifications of distinct archaeological structures, in relation to the palaeoecological framework and the dynamics of settlement development over time.

Dwellings and constructional materials, pits (storage or dumping), hearths, activity areas, such as workshops or butchering zones, demonstrate the spatial arrangement of residential practices in different sectors. Their study requires interdisciplinary research to establish their chronological and functional relationships and the insertion of the settlement in the surface microrelief and local landscape features. The analysis of separate structures with functional peculiarities from Middle and Upper Palaeolithic campsites allows to reconstruct the interaction of inhabitants with the surrounding landscape, to understand the links between different types of activity inside the settlement area, to establish functional and seasonal characteristics of occupation and to identify behavioural features of Palaeolithic settlers.

The session gives the opportunity to connect new researches on dwelling structures from Middle and Upper Palaeolithic sites through Europe, and interpretative studies of spatial behaviour, in relation with specific landscape, palaeo-ecological and cultural features.

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