

Editorial

On 23-25 of May 2018 in Sanok, an international scientific conference: “Movement and stabilization. Przeworsk culture in the upper Tisa River basin in the Roman Period” took place.

Organized by the Department of Iron Age Archaeology of Institute of Archaeology, Jagiellonian University in cooperation with the Historical Museum in Sanok, under the honorary patronage of His Magnificence Rector of the Jagiellonian University Professor Wojciech Nowak, the conference was held in the said Historical Museum, in the Tapestry Room of the Sanok Royal Castle.

This international congress of archaeologists was inspired by the results of excavation works led over the last twenty years by the Department of Iron Age Archaeology of Institute of Archaeology, Jagiellonian University in the region of the Upper San River basin. The research works provided the scientific community with the new, interest-catching data on the infiltration of the Przeworsk culture people, who lived in the region of nowadays southern and central Poland in the time between the 2nd century BC until the first half of the 5th century AD into the territory of the Polish Carpathians or yet further due south-east, off to the Upper Tisa River region. The archaeological contents documenting the migration of those peoples, preserved mainly in the form of warrior graves with elements of armaments, can be found in eastern Slovakia, Transcarpathian Ukraine, north-eastern Hungary, and north-western Romania. These elements can serve to corroborate a phenomenon known out to Roman written sources, who speak of Vandal tribes expansion, especially that of the Hasdings, whose descent, as is widely acknowledged, had originated from the territories of the Przeworsk culture, and who were approaching the borders of Dacia in the time of Marcomannic Wars; a skirmish between peoples of the European Barbaricum with the Romans in the beginning of the seventies of the 2nd century AD.

The conference hosted participants from across 16 scientific institutions. Researchers from Poland, France, Germany, Romania, Slovakia, Ukraine, and Hungary gave 25 lectures and presented seven posters. The LIVth volume



of *Acta Archaeologica Carpathica*, will stand to offer one 12 articles, based on the presentations provided, and three additional texts of the similar scope are presented. In the following number of AAC (LV) the eight subsequent texts concentrating on the subjects as presented at the conference will be published. Their authors are: Jacek Andrzejowski, Jaroslav Onyshchuk i Jan Schuster, Eszter Istvánovits i Valéria Kulcsár, Michel Kazanski, Dieter Quast, Katarzyna Czarnecka, Barbara Niezbitowska-Wiśniewska and Marta Cyran-Stasiak.

The participants of the Sanok congress wish to dedicate their articles to professor Renata Madyda-Legutko, a steadfast and indefatigable researcher of Polish Carpathians, who, in November 2018 celebrated the beautiful jubilee of her 70th birthday. Also, the Editors of *Acta Archaeologica Carpathica* would like to join in the best wishes. *Ad multos annos!*

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Fig. 1. Participants of the conference in front of the Royal Castle in Sanok



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Fig. 2. Conference poster (design: Grzegorz Chorażek)