



Ploughing Ahead

**Technological, socio-economic and environmental developments
in Old World ploughing**

First Call for Papers

**One-day colloquium at Rewley House, University of Oxford
Friday 15th March 2013**

The first call for papers is now open for a one-day colloquium to discuss recent research into pre-industrial tillage methods. There has been limited synthetic research in recent years, to draw together the evidence for the use of different tillage methods in antiquity, despite their importance for the study of past agricultural practices and their social implications. It is hoped that this conference will bring together scholars with varying backgrounds and levels of experience, representing a range of historical, archaeological and environmental disciplines.

We would like to invite abstract submissions within, but not restricted to, the following fields of research:

1. Landscapes & settlements
2. Documentary & iconographic history
3. Artefactual archaeology
4. Environmental archaeology
5. Ethnography
6. Soil science

Papers will each be allocated 20 minutes, followed by time for discussion. Abstracts should be no longer than 200 words and submitted by e-mail. The deadline is Friday 7th December.

We hope to be able to offer some financial support for Postgraduate students (TBC). Please enquire for further details.

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