



Dear colleagues,

We are pleased to invite you to submit a paper proposal to the session ID number 493 called "**Technology and Archaeobotany of plant-based crafts**" that we are organizing in the framework of the 24th Annual Meeting of the European Association of Archaeologists" which will be held in Barcelona, 5-8 September 2018. Our aim is to organise a session of half day with presentations of 14-15 minutes, including discussion, introductory and closing comments. Please follow the guidelines provided by the organisation: https://www.e-a-a.org/EAA2018/. If you have any questions about the session, please do not hesitate to contact María Martín-Seijo at maria.martin.seijo@usc.es. We look forward to hearing from you.

THEME:

Technology and Archaeobotany of plant-based crafts

ABSTRACT:

This session focuses on the study of wild plant resources employed as raw material in crafts (basketry, cordage, wrappings, clothing, containers, handles, shafts, combs etc.). Wood, fibers, bark, stems, roots, leaves or needles have been used for crafting utilitarian and ritual objects. Nevertheless, their role in the day-to-day life of past communities is underrepresented, because of their scarce preservation or their insufficient study. However, the growing research field of plant-based crafts provides extensive insights on the selection and use of plant material and the required technological knowledge of past societies. The session welcomes all contributors dealing with technological and archaeobotanical analyses of craft objects, and especially those presenting combined approaches. This session is organised in conjunction with the PlantWild Community of EAA.

KEYWORDS:

Wild plants; Crafts; Technology; Archaeobotany.

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