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Veenhof Lecture: Skulls and houses. Boncuklu, the development of the Neolithic in central Anatolia and the antecedents of Çatalhöyük

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Main language: English

This lecture presents recent research at the sites of Pınarbaşı and Boncuklu in central Anatolia, exploring the evidence for the early development of sedentism, cultivation and herding outside the Fertile Crescent and the spread of farming westwards towards Europe. It considers the role of ritual and symbolism in the early sedentary and agricultural societies and addresses factors in the emergence of larger later Neolithic communities, exemplified in the case of Çatalhöyük.

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Annual Veenhof Lecture

The Veenhof Lecture is organized every November by the Netherlands Institute for the Near East in cooperation with the National Museum of Antiquities. Named after Prof. K.R. Veenhof and honouring his contributions to Assyriology, the annual lecture is aimed at colleagues and students, as well as a broader public. The speaker is an internationally renowned scholar. All are welcome to attend the lecture.

Time: 20.00 hrs (doors open from 19.30 hrs)


Venue: National Museum of Antiquities (RMO; Rapenburg 28, Leiden), Taffeh Hall

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