DISPERSE Project Meeting

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Dynamic Landscapes, Coastal Environments and Human Dispersals

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Thursday 17th July 2014

Participation list: Geoff Bailey, Maud Devès, Niklas Hausmann, Robyn Inglis, Geoffrey King, Eva Laurie, Matt Meredith-Williams, Garry Momber, Izzy Winder, Penny Spikins (Advisory Member), Gemma Maldar (University EU Research Team) Jo Tozer (Archaeology Research Manager),

- 9.00. Introductions, opening remarks: Frontier Research and the ERC: risks, uncertainties and insecurities
- 9.30. The Evolution of DISPERSE: origins, hypotheses, trajectories. Geoff Bailey
- 10.00. Biological Perspectives on Human Dispersals. Izzy Winder
- 10.30. The Moral and Social Basis for Human Dispersals. Penny Spikins
- 11.00. Coffee Break
- 11.30. Dynamic Landscapes in Arabia and the Near East. Maud Devès
- 12.00. Tectonics and Edaphics: the African perspective. Geoffrey King
- 12.30. Landscapes at the Regional to Local Scale: Palaeolithic survey in SW Arabia. Robyn Inglis
- 13.00. Lunch
- 14.00. Coastal Dynamics at the Regional to Local Scale: the Farasan shell mounds. *Matt Meredith-Williams*
- 14.30. The Mollusc is the Message: The Farasan marine molluscan assemblages. *Eva Laurie and Matt Meredith-Williams*
- 15.00. Tea break
- 15.30. What's in a Mollusc? Isotopes, trace elements, climate and seasonality. Niklas Hausmann
- 16.00 Where are the Underwater Shell Mounds? Offshore and underwater survey. *Garry Momber*
- 16.30 Submerged Landscapes: The Aegaeo Survey. *Geoff Bailey and Garry Momber*
- 17.00 Comments, discussion, evaluation
- 18.00 Drinks
- 19.30 Dinner

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Provisional timetable

09.00 Opening

- 1. Discussion of agenda and timings
- 2. Finances
- 3. Web site

10.30–10.50 Coffee break

- 4. Publications
- 5. Future activities (fieldwork and laboratory)

12.30–13.30 Lunch

- 6. Future meetings and workshops
- 7. Life after DISPERSE
- 8. AOB
- 15.00 Close

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