
Christian-Albrechts-Universität zu Kiel - Institut für Ur- und Frühgeschichte -

Vortrag

Das Institut für Ur- und Frühgeschichte, Kiel, lädt im Rahmen des Archäologischen Kolloquiums zu einem Vortrag mit anschließender Diskussion ein am

Montag, den 4. Mai 2015,
18.30 Uhr, Johanna-Mestorf-Hörsaal
(Eingang 4, Erdgeschoss), Johanna-Mestorf-Straße.

Frau Dr. Penny Bickle, York,
spricht zum Thema:

Investigating cultural diversity at the transition to agriculture in central Europe: pots, diets and identities

The early Neolithic Linearbandkeramik (LBK; 5500–4900 cal BC) culture spread farming from the Great Hungarian Plain out to the Ukraine in the east and as far as the Paris Basin in the west. Although often seen as a very uniform cultural phenomenon of conservative migratory communities, regional variation is increasingly evident in the archaeology data. However, we are still some distance from understanding the scale of these differences. Was there a unified sense of LBK identity across its vast distribution? How did regional, local, settlement or even household identities co-exist?

In this seminar, I will present results from *The first farmers in central Europe: diversity in LBK lifeways* (2008-2012) project, which set out to investigate diversity in the LBK, through a range of different isotope analyses (carbon, nitrogen, strontium, calcium and oxygen) on a sample of over 550 individuals. The main objectives of this project were to use the data to explore regional patterns of diet, health and movement and hence to investigate diverse lifeways, incorporating the isotope results with a detailed consideration of their archaeological context. The results are throwing light on the scales of diversity in the LBK, but also emphasising shared experiences of community organisation.

(gez. Die Dozenten des Instituts für Ur- und Frühgeschichte)