

# TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

April 6-7, 2024

8:30-11:30 a.m PST

6:30-9:30 p.m. EET (Cyprus/Greece)

5:30-8:30 p.m. CET (Central Europe)

Virtual Panel

## HERITAGE AT HIGH TIDE:

*Archaeology and Climate Crisis in the Eastern Mediterranean - A Deep Dive into Cyprus and Greece's Imperiled Treasures*

### Saturday, April 6, 2024: Understanding the Risks and Showcasing Data

#### 8:30 a.m.: Opening Remarks

- Welcome  
(Prof. Ioanna Kakoulli, Acting Director, UCLA SNF Center for the Study of Hellenic Culture)
- Introductions  
(Dr. Vassiliki Kassianidou, Deputy Minister of Culture of the Republic of Cyprus; H.E. Evangelos Savva, Ambassador of the Republic of Cyprus to the U.S.; H.E. Ekaterini Nassika, Ambassador of Greece to the U.S.)

#### 8:50 a.m.: Panel Discussion I: The Present Danger/Data Showcase

- Latest climate projections in the Mediterranean area with focus on the Eastern Mediterranean, their implications for cultural heritage, and how to interpret and utilize these data for protective measures
- Share evidence of how these changes are affecting cultural sites mainly at coastal zones and underwater  
(Prof. Alessandra Bonazza, University of Bologna; Prof. Athanasios Vafeidis, Kiel University)

#### 9:50 a.m.: Break

#### 10:00 a.m.: Panel Discussion II: On the Brink - Cyprus and Greece's Heritage Sites

- An in-depth look at specific sites in Cyprus and Greece with emphasis on World Heritage Sites that are most vulnerable
- Discussion on how current conditions compare to historical data and trends  
(Dr. Demetrios Athanasoulis, Ephorate of Antiquities of Cyclades, Greece; Dr. Anthi Kaldeli, Department of Antiquities, Cyprus)

#### 11:00 a.m.: Panel Discussion and Q&A

- An opportunity for the audience to engage with the panelists, ask questions, and share insights

### Sunday, April 7, 2024: Towards a Resilient Future

#### 8:30 a.m.: Opening Remarks

- Brief introduction: Sharing insights and key takeaways  
(Prof. Ioanna Kakoulli, Acting Director, UCLA SNF Center for the Study of Hellenic Culture)

#### 8:40 a.m.: Keynote Address

- Integrating Climate Data in Heritage Conservation: A Roadmap for Decision-Making  
(Dr. Rohit Jigyasu, ICCROM, Rome, Italy)

#### 9:20 a.m.: Break

#### 9:30 a.m.: Panel Discussion III: Bridging Awareness and Charting the Course

- Strategies to enhance awareness of imminent risks and the use of data in heritage protection
- Case studies on successful community-led initiatives and involvement in safeguarding heritage
- Presentation of mitigation strategies and policy recommendations
- Actionable solutions, including education, public awareness, and engagement  
(Prof. Nikolaos Bakirtzis, Cyprus Institute; Dr. Anthi Kaldeli, Department of Antiquities, Cyprus; Prof. Nikolaos Zacharias, University of the Peloponnese)

#### 10:30 a.m.: Closing Session: Roundtable Discussion and Q&A

- Synthesizing Knowledge and Strategies for Heritage Resilience. Engaging conversation on actionable solutions, including education, public awareness, and community involvement