4th International Conference of Aerial Archaeology

"Bradford's Legacy (1975-2025)" Aerial images and ancient landscapes

Rome, 22-23 May 2025



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"The Bradford Legacy (1975-2025). Aerial Images and Ancient Landscapes.

50 years after the untimely death of John Bradford (1918-1975), author of the book Ancient Landscapes (1957), one of the most fundamental and best known texts in the field of aerial archaeology, the Conference will have as its main theme and leitmotif the scientific legacy of the English scholar, one of the pioneers and greatest masters in the use of aerial images for archaeological aerotopography.

In addition to commemorating the figure of Bradford, this conference is also intended to offer a **representative overview of the main research orientations and methodologies** animating the current Italian and international panorama of aerial archaeology.

An open and dynamic meeting is hoped for.

The event will take place in Rome on May 22th, and 23th 2025 in the BSR, Sapienza University of Rome and Aerofototeca.

Oral contributions should not exceed 20 minutes. A short discussion will follow each presentation.

A poster session will be held.

Official languages Italian and English

Scientific organisation

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The Organisers welcome abstract submission.

Abstracts (including the title of the contribution and authors' affiliations) should not exceed 500 words, and should indicate in which session the presentation. They should be submitted to the Organising Committee by 15th October 2024. Abstract acceptance (whether for oral or poster presentation) will be notified to authors by 15th November 2024.

Accepted contributors are expected to submit a camera-ready paper (50.000 characters maximum) including illustrations (up to 12) by 30th June 2025.

The Conference proceedings, after a double-blind review process, will be published in a dedicated volume of the journal "Archeologia Aerea. Studi di Aerotopografia Archeologica".

To facilitate the participation to the event and to promote the attendance of young scholars, there will **NOT** be any registration fee for attendant and \underline{NO} extra cost is requested for the publication of the proceedings.

Looking forward to welcoming your contribution, we wish you all the best.

Yours truly,

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Important Dates

15th October 2024: submission of abstracts for oral and poster presentations;

15th November 2024: communication of accepted presentations;

22th, and 23th May 2025: 4th INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE OF AERIAL ARCHAEOLOGY;

30th June 2025: definitive submission of papers for the conference proceedings.

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