

PERSPECTIVES ON BYZANTINE ARCHAEOLOGY BETWEEN JUSTINIAN AND THE ISLAMIC CONQUESTS (6TH-9TH CENTURIES)

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DESCRIPTION

Open Archaeology invites manuscripts for the Special Issue on **Perspectives on Byzantine Archaeology Between Justinian and the Islamic Conquests (6th-9th centuries)**

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The papers in the special issue will be fully involved with the major debate relevant to the transformation of the Late Roman world, both in towns and in rural areas, until the Early Middle Ages. What was the impact of the reconquest of Justinian? How did the territory change in the Italian peninsula after the arrival of the Lombards and, later on, of the Muslims? What happened in other areas of the Mediterranean in the same chronologies? What are the archaeological indicators of the urban and rural transformations that occurred in this historical background? Did architecture represent a marker of socio-economic and cultural changes in the cradle of a “Byzantine space”? What were the issues of connectivity that developed within this period and did they have a breakpoint after the conquest of Islam? Research papers on these topics will be strongly encouraged in order to cover different issues and geographical areas of the Byzantine empire between Late Antiquity and the Early Middle Ages.

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We are looking forward to your submission up to **30, July 2020**. If you have any questions, please contact Gabriele Castiglia at email address castiglia84@gmail.com and Angelo Castrorao Barba (castroraobarba@gmail.com)

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