

## **ARIADNE – a Round Table to discuss data provider’s experience aggregating their data in the project and a reflection on how a digital infrastructure**

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ARIADNEplus (<https://ariadne-infrastructure.eu>) provides a digital infrastructure for online sharing of archaeological datasets. The project is funded by the European Commission and facilitates the global sharing, finding, accessing and reuse of archaeological data, tools and knowledge. ARIADNEplus also aims to make a difference to archaeological data management practices by promoting sustainability in the form of long-term strategies for preservation of archaeological data to preserve research outcomes for the next generation with the help of technological solutions. Moreover, it promotes community building, supports data standardisation, and offers training in data management.

This Round Table complements the session ‘Preservation of cultural heritage data: challenges and opportunities during the life cycle of archaeological data’. It takes place in the final months of the 4-year ARIADNEplus project, in which archaeological partners from 23 European countries and four international partners in Israel, Japan, Argentina and the United States have integrated their datasets into the infrastructure.

The Round Table will have two parts: In a first part, it invites ARIADNE data-providing partners and associate partners to share their experience aggregating their data in the project in short 5-10 minutes presentations that will be followed by a discussion. The second part will be a discussion of the ARIADNEplus project in relation to the general topics of the CHNT-ICOMOS conference. In what ways do initiatives such as ARIADNE contribute to protect, research and valorise Cultural Heritage? Does the infrastructure lead to an increased sustainability of archaeological research practices? Which changes would be necessary to move closer to achieve these aims?

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