



BIWEEKLY COLLOQUIUM
Monday, June 6th, 4:15 p.m.

STONE AGE DEMOGRAPHICS IN NORTHERN NORWAY

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The talk will present a new research project, aimed at investigating demographic patterns amongst prehistoric hunter-gatherers in the period 9000-0 cal BC. Northern Fennoscandia, and in particular northern Norway, is ideal for examination of the linkages between demographic variation and social and economic change and stability in small-scale hunter-gatherer societies. The large number of visible Stone Age dwellings (3500-5000 recorded in Finnmark County alone) provides a unique direct impression of population size, displaying at the same time temporal and spatial variation over a time-span of several millennia.

The project will use both statistical analyses of ¹⁴C-dates, the survey data on dwelling pits and the data from recent large development-led excavations to examine demographic patterns at different temporal and spatial scales.

The presentation will not include results, but will focus on presenting available data and discuss approaches to early prehistoric demography.



Venue: Leibnizstraße 1, Seminar Room 204