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Bronze Age Connections in a Modern World

International Conference

Hosted by the European Project 'BOAT 1550 BC' and the Dover Bronze Age Boat Trust

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Commercial archaeology on both sides of the channel, complemented by exciting new academic research programmes, has produced a mass of new data and new insights into the maritime connections between communities living in the Transmanche zone during prehistory. This story, highlighting the common cultural heritage of peoples now separated by physical, national and linguistic divisions is not as well known as it deserves. How might this new knowledge be best shared with people young and old so that they may be aware of and engage in the latest research in a meaningful way?

This international conference sets out to present the latest research into the archaeology of the maritime connections of the Transmanche zone during the Bronze Age (and beyond) and to explore the best ways by which this new knowledge might be shared with the broadest possible audience.

The conference forms part of the European Interreg IVa "Two Seas" project, 'BOAT 1550 BC', and is being organised in collaboration with the Dover Bronze Age Boat Trust. It will take place in Dover on 18th–20th October 2013 on the occasion of the visit of the travelling exhibition 'Beyond the Horizon: Societies of the Channel and North Sea 3,550 Years ago' to UK shores, where it will be open to the public in Dover Museum alongside the original Dover Bronze Age boat, symbol par excellence of these ancient maritime connections.

The exhibition opens on July 1st until December 31st 2013

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