



## ABSTRACT SUBMISSION

# ArKho: A New Project on the Archives of Khorsabad

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## Abstract

Since 2023, fieldwork on the archaeological site of Khorsabad (Mosul governorate, Iraq) has resumed as part of the Mission archéologique française de Khorsabad (MAFK), headed by Pascal Butterlin (Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne). As the site has remained unexcavated for almost a century, and as the archaeological remains have suffered from abandonment and recent conflicts, it became essential to work on the archives of the previous archaeological expeditions, spanning from 1843 to 1935. Considering that tools such as the aerial photographs of the RAF, for instance, has proved to be valuable to understand the previous archaeological operations on the site, it has been decided to delve into the primary documentation such as the archaeological reports dated to the 19th century, the first documentary photographs and the correspondence of the archaeologists. Most of these archives remain unpublished, and have never been considered from a scientific point of view: which areas of the site were excavated? What excavation techniques were used, depending on the sector and the expedition? To answer these questions, a new project has been launched, with the aim of studying, publishing and issuing via open access the archaeological data of the archives of Khorsabad.

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