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## **ABSTRACT SUBMISSION**

# The chronocultural framework of the Arabian Neolithic: A general overview

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#### **Abstract**

This presentation focuses on our current knowledge of the various cultural entities identified on the Arabian Peninsula in recent decades. The discovery of material cultures chronologically attributed to the Neolithic has, of course, led to the first definitions of cultural facies or techno-complexes, often based on elements from lithic industries. Other domains of artifact production will also be explored, alongside recent data on habitation practices, funerary customs, hypotheses regarding seasonal mobility, and the diverse exploitation of resources.

Additionally, we will highlight the fact that an increasing number of Neolithic sites are now dated to much earlier periods across different areas of the Arabian Peninsula. This trend reactivates questions about the origin of Neolithic populations, whether through external influences or a more endogenous neolithization within the Arabian subcontinent.

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