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Egyptian Cults in the Balkans

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**École française d'Athènes
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This International Scientific Conference is organized by the **École française d'Athènes** and the **Institute for Balkan Studies with Center of Thracology, Bulgarian Academy of Sciences**, in connection with the project **Egyptian Cults in Ancient Thrace** (Project no 101130859 – ECAT) funded by **HORIZON WIDERA 2022**.

The main goal of the event is to unite the efforts of the academic community and expand our knowledge in the field, while presenting some results of the research related to the project. For this reason, it can involve a wide range of academics, researchers and scientists. It can be freely attended by museum specialists, experts, young researchers, postdoctoral students, PhD students, MA students and of course any person interested in the diffusion of **Egyptian Cults in the Balkans**. This topic allows the use of information from all kind of sources: archaeological excavations, written data, epigraphic and anepigraphic monuments – all with the potential to reinforce our understanding of the ancient cult practices in the region. We will discuss questions as the degree of worship of Egyptian deities in the Balkan lands, ways of penetration, ethnic and social characteristics of the adepts, distinctive features and / or types of statuary, epigraphic and numismatic material.

The conference will take place **in the École française d'Athènes** from **29 to 31 October 2024**. Those wishing to participate must fill in the application form.

Applications must be sent electronically to vessela.atanassova@efa.gr **before May 31, 2024**. For further information and updates, follow us on www.thraceandegypt.com.

Oral communications

- Speakers will attend in person
- Each communication will last 25 minutes
- The official languages are English and French

Conference papers

The scientific papers will be published in the Conference Proceedings. They must be sent electronically to vessela.atanassova@efa.gr before **March 1st, 2025**.

Travel costs and accommodation

The travel costs to and from the place of the conference are at the expense of the participants. The Organizing Committee offers accommodation for the speakers.

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