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Jos, Nigeria, October 25-30, 2009

It is our pleasure to notify you that the 12th Biennial colloquium of our great Association will come up this year in Nigeria. The meeting is slated for October 25th to 30th, 2009 in Jos, Nigeria.

It has been observed that most of the works done in West Africa always end up in files and without sharing of ideas and experiences by West African archaeologists in particular and scholars of history and culture in general. It is therefore the hope of the Local Organising Committee (LOC) that bringing professionals and academics working in West Africa sub-region together to share their works and experiences will be ideal at this particular point in time. It is therefore suggested that a broad theme on the archaeology of West Africa will be appropriate.

The proposed theme, therefore, for this year’s deliberation is "The Archaeology of West Africa," with the following sub-themes: 1) Environment -- past and present; 2) Geography of West Africa and its effect on human habitation; 3) Archeology of West Africa: research reports; 4) Heritage and sites: conservation and preservation; 5) Ethics of archaeological practice in West Africa.

You are therefore requested to send your abstract not more than 500 words on the theme or sub-themes to the Secretary or Chairperson of the LOC on bogunfol@oauife.edu.ng or babaadii@yahoo.com and fatunsina@yahoo.com. Other details will be sent to you soon. Adisa Ogunfolakan, Secretary, Room 216, Institute of African Studies, Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife, Nigeria. LOC. 234-803-717-6488 or 234-807-641-0094.