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Munich, 31th March 2025

Dear Colleagues,

We are pleased to provide you with further information on the 16th International Conference for Nubian Studies in Munich, Germany, 7th September to 12th September 2026.

Conference fees

As we are still awaiting decisions from funding bodies, we cannot yet confirm the final budget for the conference. However, because of increased costs, the conference fee will necessarily be higher than the previous Nubian Studies Conference in Warsaw. Until 31st May 2026, the fee (in-person and online attendance) will be 160 EUR, increasing to 180 EUR thereafter. Attendees with confirmed student status will be offered a discounted rate of 90 EUR up to 31st May 2026, and 110 EUR after this date. Attendance for participants from Sudan and Egypt will be free of charge. See https://nubianstudies2026.de/tickets/

Conference Programme: Call for Sessions

Following the model introduced at the last Nubian Studies conference in Warsaw, we have decided to base the conference programme on thematic sessions. As such, we are opening a call for sessions until the end of July 2025 (see attachment). Following this date, the call for papers will be opened and potential participants invited to submit to particular sessions. However, all papers will be reviewed by the organising committee before acceptance. The deadline for the call for papers (oral presentations and posters) will be 15th December 2025.

The main theme of the conference has already been announced: *Multiple Nubias*.

Recent research has increasingly shown how diverse ancient Sudan was, and that there was not a single ancient Nubia but multiple Nubias. We therefore particularly welcome sessions which focus on lived experiences, different traditions, as well as human and non-human agents over the centuries. The conference is, of course, also open for other thematic and chronological sessions.

Useful information and detailed instructions on how to submit a session proposal can be found in the attachment and on the conference website. For assistance and any questions regarding the call for sessions, please contact the organising committee at nubianstudies2026@lmu.de.

Important dates:

1st April 2025 – 31st July 2025: call for sessions

September 2025: accepted sessions announced

15th October 2025 – 15th December 2025: call for papers (oral and poster

presentations)

until 31st May 2026: Early bird registration fee (160 EUR/90 EUR)

Please also check our conference webpage <u>www.nubianstudies2026.de</u> where up-to-date information is available. We will also provide information on accommodation options later this year.

We look forward to receiving your ideas for sessions.

With best wishes,

The Organising Committee

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