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SSZ will periodically circulate and maintain a listing of upcoming events related to Zoroastrianism organized by various Zoroastrian Associations, academic departments and other institutions around the world. If interested, please forward all relevant details (speaker name with her/his brief bio, date, time, Zoom links and other applicable information) to Meheryar N. Rivetna at mrivetna@comcast.net. The information and recordings of such events, when available, will be posted on the SSZ website www.s-s-z.org

Upcoming Scholastic Events Related to Zoroastrianism

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*Exploring the Archaeology of Early Zoroastrianism:
Insights from Fieldwork in Karakalpakstan, Uzbekistan (Ancient
Chorasmia)*

*by
Professor Michele Minardi*

Date: Saturday, July 20, 2024

Time: 1 p.m. EDT/12 noon CDT/10 a.m. PDT

Registration required. Please register at the link below to attend this event (Ctrl+Click to follow link). The Zoom link will be provided to all registrants.

<https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZ0sfuGpqzkoGtJrSBnryafawVPcZwJ6VNTH>

Archaeology, an important scholarly discipline, has largely remained detached from the expanding knowledge of greater Iran. In the past decade new data has emerged from the work done by Prof. Minardi which sheds light on the ancient history of Zoroastrianism in that part of Central Asia which is otherwise challenging to comprehend due to a lack of narrative sources. In this presentation, Prof. Minardi will unveil the significant role played by Chorasmia in Zoroastrian history.

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