

Call for Papers for the XXVII Mesoamerican Studies Conference

8 – 10 May 2026 at the
University of Bonn



Abteilung 
für Altamerikanistik



Dear Mesoamericanists,

We extend a warm invitation to scholars, researchers, students, and enthusiasts in the field of Mesoamerican studies. The Department of Anthropology of the Americas at the University of Bonn, in collaboration with the Regional Working Group Mesoamerica of the German Association of Social and Cultural Anthropology (GASCA), cordially invites you to the XXVII Mesoamerican Studies Conference from 8 to 10 May 2026 in Bonn.

As usual, this conference aims to provide a platform for researchers in archaeology, ethnology, ethnohistory, museum studies, Latin American studies, linguistics, epigraphy, iconography, and related disciplines to present their current work and ongoing projects focused on the Mesoamerican region. Presentations can be delivered in German, Spanish, or English. We welcome submissions from doctoral and master's candidates as well.

Please submit abstracts by 28 February 2026, including your name, academic affiliation, title, and a 1,000-character abstract (including spaces) as a separate file attachment (odt, docx or rtf format) to the email address: hilfskraft.altamerikanistik@uni-bonn.de

Each presentation will have a duration of 20 minutes, followed by a 10-minute discussion period. As this conference seeks to foster essential direct academic and personal exchanges, a physical attendance format is planned, preserving the tradition that has shaped this event for over 20 years.

Additional information and the conference program will be available on the Department's website (<http://www.iak.uni-bonn.de/aa>) starting 6 April 2026. Please informally confirm your participation by contacting hilfskraft.altamerikanistik@uni-bonn.de

We eagerly anticipate welcoming you to Bonn in February.

Kind regards, Ulrich Wölfel, Nikolai Grube, Eriko Yamasaki

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Venue for the entire conference:

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