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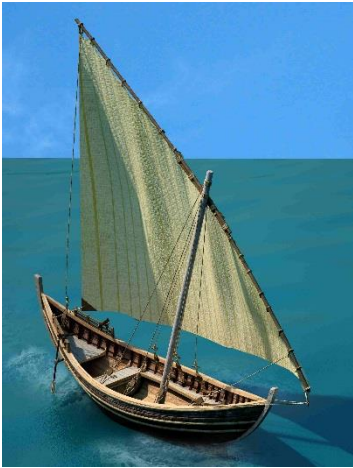
CIMS Ottawa Chapter,
under the auspices of

The Embassy of The Republic of Turkey,
is pleased to present an illustrated lecture:



Shipwrecks of Theodosius Harbour, İstanbul, Turkey
by **Dr. Ufuk Kocabaş,**

Director of İstanbul University's Department of Marine Archeology
and the Yenikapı Shipwrecks Project



During the construction of a railway system –Marmaray (a railway tunnel under the Bosphorous) and Metro projects– in İstanbul's Yenikapı district, thirty-seven shipwrecks dating from fifth to tenth centuries AD were discovered by the ongoing archaeological salvage excavations.



The excavations confirmed that Theodosian Harbour was once established in today's construction site and formerly a cove, then silted by the Lykos (Bayrampaşa) stream and lying about 300 m from modern shoreline. A team of İstanbul University's Department of Conservation of Marine Archaeological Objects has undertaken the fieldwork and conservation of twenty-eight shipwrecks in the harbour. Shipwrecks of various types and sizes have been exposed since 2005, an extensive research on ships is still in progress. The research presents new information on the development of shipbuilding traditions and techniques in the Mediterranean region.

Wednesday, 26 March 2014, 7:30 p.m.

Ben Franklin Place – **The Chamber**

(The same building as the Centrepointe Theater)

101 Centrepointe Drive (Main Entrance / Library Entrance) Free parking

Open to public

Reception – courtesy of the Embassy of the Republic of Turkey

Dr. Ufuk Kocabaş

Associate Professor Ufuk Kocabaş currently directs Department of Conservation and Restoration and also Division of Conservation of Marine Archaeological Objects at İstanbul University. His research is focused on underwater archaeology, ancient shipbuilding technology and conservation of underwater cultural heritage. He is currently directing mediaeval shipwrecks excavation and conservation “The Yenikapı Shipwrecks Project” on behalf of İstanbul University.

Dr. Kocabaş is the head of Commission of Underwater Archaeology in Turkish Underwater Sports Federation and Member of CMAS (World Underwater Federation) Scientific Committee and İstanbul Cultural Heritage Conservation District Board.

Some Publications:

Kocabaş, U., 1998, Conservation and Restoration of Marine Archaeological Objects. İstanbul.

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