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**Since 2011** **Archaeologist** within the Al-Yamâma project (Saudi-Arabia)

**Since 2014** **Archaeologist** within the LARS project (Tadjikistan).

### 2014 Present research

- 1) Mediaeval Archaeology in Central Asia (VIII<sup>th</sup> and XIII<sup>th</sup> c.).
- 2) Structure and organization of the Mediaeval Islamic Society, pottery handicrafts sector.
- 3) Dissemination and Transfer of technical knowledge related to the Arts of fire.

## POST-DOCTORAL BACKGROUND

### CNRS - MEDIAEVAL ISLAM TEAM & UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD

2011 – 2014	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ <b>Post-doc within the Balkh Art and Cultural Heritage Project (BACH) project</b> – : Exploration, maps and history from Balkh, Afghanistan”, Oxford University. E. Herzig (Oriental Institute) ; <b>Task</b> : Supervisor of Mediaeval Islamic Ceramics studies (drawing, photography, archaeometry). Fieldworks in Afghanistan, training on Islamic ceramic within the National Museum of Afghanistan and the Archaeological Institute.</li></ul>
2008 - 2011	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ <b>Post-doc in the CNRS UMR 8167- Orient et Méditerranée-laboratory</b>, “Mediaeval Islam team”, managed by : F. Micheau ( Paris I) ; <b>Task</b> : Research on Material culture of Central Asia, Northern Afghanistan and Iran . Fieldwork in Tadjikistan, Kazakhstan, both with the Academy of Sciences and the Institute of History and Archaeology.</li></ul>

## UNIVERSITY BACKGROUND

### UNIVERSITIES OF PARIS IV SORBONNE & PARIS I PANTHEON – SORBONNE

2001 – 2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ <b>PhD in Islamic Archaeology.</b> Subject : “Studying ceramic artefacts from Hulbuk (Mā warā’al nahr-<u>K</u>huttal), from the Muslim conquest till middle of the XI<sup>th</sup> century (90/712-441/1050), contribution to the research on islamic ceramics from central Asia in the Middle Ages”. Supervisors : Professor Alastair Northedge and Bertille Lyonnet.</li></ul>
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	Ph.D submitted January, 18th 2008. Grade: “Très honorable”. Jury members : A. Northedge, B. Lyonnet, D. Kennet, A. Rougeulle.
1999 – 2000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>MA degree in Islamic Archaeology.</b> Subject : “Preliminary studies on islamic ceramics of Central Asia : from the beginning of Islam till the end of the Sāmānid period (90/ 712-383/ 1005)”. Supervisor : Professor A.Northedge, grade: <i>Mention Très Bien</i>.</li> </ul>
1998 – 1999	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>BA in History of Islamic Art and Archaeology.</b> Subject : “Studies of the Mamlūk unglazed ceramics from Mediaeval Syria, 628/1250-895/1517”. Supervisor : Professor M. Barrucand, grade: <i>Mention Très Bien</i>.</li> </ul>
2000-2004  April-June 2001  July 2000  1999-2000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Languages:</b> English (fluent), Arabic and Russian (reading and speaking very good), beginner in Persian.</li> <li>▪ <b>Courses of Arabic and Russian languages,</b> Paris I Pantheon-Sorbonne University.</li> <li>▪ <b>Course of Arabic,</b> Grantee from the CEFAS (French Center in Sanaa for archaeology and Social Sciences, Yemen).</li> <li>▪ <b>Intensive course of Arabic language,</b> Grantee from the IFEAD (French Institute of Arab studies of Damascus, Syria).</li> <li>▪ <b>Course of Arabic language (DU),</b> Paris IV Sorbonne University.</li> </ul>
<b>PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE ON EXCAVATIONS</b>	
<b>MIDDLE-EAST &amp; CENTRAL-ASIA</b>	
September 2014	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Bazar Dara, Tadjikistan :</b> Medieval period, within the LARS project with F. Téreygeol and G. Sarah (CNRS, IRAMAT). Archaeological survey.</li> </ul>
April, May 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Dehistân, Turkmenistan :</b> Medieval period, director A. Northedge (Paris I, Panthéon – Sorbonne), Archaeological survey and topography.</li> </ul>
2011, 2012, 2013	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Al-Yamâma, Saudi-Arabia :</b> Antique and Medieval periods, directors : J. Schiettecatte (UMR CNRS 8167 Islam Médiéval) and A. A. al-Ghazzī (King Saud University, Riyadh). Archaeologist and Ceramologist of the join team Saudi-French.</li> </ul>
2010, 2011, 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Dûmat al-Jandal, Saudi-Arabia :</b> Antique and Medieval periods, directors : G. Charloux (UMR CNRS 8167) and R. Loreto (Università degli Studi di Napoli “l’Orientale”). Archaeologist and Ceramologist of the join team Saudi-Italo- French.</li> </ul>
2010, 2011	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Gol Mod, Mongolie :</b> Hunu period, director J.P. Desroches, Musée Guimet, Paris.</li> </ul>
May 2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Taškent, Zamin, Uzbekistan :</b> Bronze and Mediaeval periods, directors : M. Filanovič, S. Iliasova, Sciences Academy ; director A. Gricina, Institut of Archaeology, Samarcand.</li> </ul>

September-November 2002	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Ulug Depe, Turkmenistan</b> : Field Supervisor (Achaemenid, Bronze), directors : O. Lecomte, CNRS, H. P. Francfort, CNRS-UMR 7041, Archéologie et sciences de l'Antiquité, archéologie de l'Asie centrale, Paris, R. Boucharlat, CNRS, Maison de l'Orient et de la Méditerranée, Lyon.</li> </ul>
September 2001	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Samarqand, Uzbekistan</b> : Islamic period, directors : F. Grenet, CNRS-UMR 8546, École Normale Supérieure, archéologie d'Orient et d'Occident, Paris), Y. Karev and O. Inevatkina (East Museum, Moscow).</li> </ul>
November-December 2001	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Sehwan Sharif, Pakistan</b> : Field Supervisor &amp; draughtsman (Islamic period) director : M. Kervran, CNRS-UMR 8167, Islam Medieval, Paris).</li> </ul>
March-April 2000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Shihr, Yemen</b> : Field supervisors &amp; draughtsman, (Islamic period) director : C. Hardy Guilbert (CNRS, UMR 8167, Islam Medieval, Paris).</li> </ul>
December-January 2000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Qal'at, Bahrein</b> : Tylos, Achaemenid, Kassit and Islamic period, director P. Lombard (CNRS, UMR 5133, Archéorient, Lyon).</li> </ul>
<b>RELEVANT EMPLOYMENT</b>	
November 2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Field-supervisor for sampling soil in Sancerre, France, GMT int.</li> </ul>
July 2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Field-supervisor for sampling soil in Arys, Kazakhstan, GMT int.</li> </ul>
May 2004	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Field-supervisor for sampling soil in Sullana, Peru, GMT int.</li> </ul>
January 2003	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Field-supervisor for sampling soil in Auxerre, France, GMT int.</li> </ul>
<b>VARIOUS TRAINING CLASS</b>	
January 2014	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Training class on archaeometric studies related to Byzantine and Islamic ceramics”, Laboratoire de Céramologie (UMR 5138), Lyon, from January 27-30<sup>th</sup> with Y. Waksman.</li> </ul>
February 2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Training class on “ Arc GIS 9 database applied to the geographical and geological maps studies ”, Geo Microbial Technologies, Paris, from February 20-28<sup>th</sup>, with L. Carbonel.</li> </ul>
<b>LECTURES</b>	
June 2014	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Siméon P.,: “New Data on Islamic Material Culture from the Central-Asian margins : Dehistan and Balkh ceramic studies”, presented to the 9<sup>th</sup> ICAANE, Islamic Session, University of Basel, 11 June, Basel, Switzerland.</li> </ul>
February 2013	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ “Pottery from Dûmat al-Jandal : results of three archaeological campaigns”, The 1<sup>st</sup> Conference of Archaeology &amp; Tourism in Al-Ula, Saudi Arabia, Taibah University and Saudi Commission for Antiquities, 11 February, Al-Ula.</li> </ul>
May 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ “Extraction minière et artisanat métallurgique en Asie centrale entre le VIII<sup>e</sup> et le XI<sup>e</sup> siècle ”,</li> </ul>

	7 <sup>e</sup> Journée Doctorale d'Archéologie Université Paris 1 – Panthéon-Sorbonne ED 112, Paris.
January 2011	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>“Hulbuk, Capital of the Bāniḍjūrīd Dynasty in the 4<sup>th</sup>/10<sup>th</sup> century, Architecture and Material Culture in Mediaeval Central Asia”, Otto-Friedrich-Universitaet, Department of Islamic Art and Archaeology, Prof. L. Korn, Bamberg.</li> </ul>
November 2010	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>“Towards a Better Comprehension of Mediaeval Central Asian Pottery, New Data on Typologies, Workshops and Ethnography”, Khalili Research Center, University of Oxford, Prof. L. Treadwell.</li> </ul>
November 2009	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>“Toward a better Comprehension of production of Islamic ceramics in Central Asia, between Samarqand and Nīshāpūr : critical approach, since Muslim conquest until the end of the XII<sup>th</sup> c.”. IX Colloquium of the International Association for the study of Mediaeval ceramics in Méditerranée (AIECM2), Venise.</li> </ul>
May 2009	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>“De l’Iraq à l’Asie centrale médiévale : remarques sur les oxydes modificateurs et les données archéologiques”. Lecture in Multidisciplinary seminar on « Formation et développement du savoir alchimique, pratique médiéval », Centre François Viète, Université de Nantes et de Paris 7 (UMR 7119).</li> </ul>
May 2009	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>“Les Sāmānides confrontés aux nomades turcs et aux principautés indépendantes en Asie centrale aux X<sup>e</sup>-XI<sup>e</sup> s” Presented in a colloquium entitled Défendre et se défendre dans le Dār al-Islām, construction et pratiques militaires dans le monde musulman médiéval, EPHE, Paris I, 9 mai 2009.</li> </ul>
January 2009	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>“Islamic ceramics from central Asia (IX-XI c.) : inventory of fixtures and new perspectives from studying material of Hulbuk (Tadjikistan)” Presented in a seminar <i>Céramique et objets du quotidien dans le monde musulman médiéval</i>, M. O. Rousset, CNRS, UMR 8167, 9 janvier 2008.</li> </ul>
March 2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>“Historical background of soviet archaeology in Central Asia, 1860-1991”. Presented in Paris IV Sorbonne University, March 10th 2008 (BA course, professor D. Valerian).</li> </ul>
June 2004	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>“Comment étudier la céramique islamique d’Asie centrale, quelles méthodes” Presented to the 7th Rencontres des doctorants en Histoire des mondes médiévaux in the Laboratory of Archaeology Mediaeval &amp; Mediterranee (LAMM) in Aix en Provence, June 17<sup>th</sup> 2004.</li> </ul>
June 2003	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>“Contribution à l’étude de la céramique islamique de l’Asie centrale, problèmes de cartographie et d’accès aux publications Russes” Presented to the 6th <i>Rencontres des doctorants en Histoire des mondes médiévaux</i> in University of Lyon II, June 13<sup>th</sup> 2003.</li> </ul>
<b>COLLECTIVES LECTURES</b>	
June 2014	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Siméon P., J. Schiettecatte et M. Mouton : “Al-Yamāma.Excavation of an Islamic city in</li> </ul>

	Central Arabia”, presented to the 9 <sup>th</sup> Icaane, Islamic Session, University of Basel, 9-13 June, Basel, Switzerland.
Décembre 2013	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Siméon P., et C. Rhoné : “Echanges et contrôle du territoire centre-asiatique : pour une approche croisée entre archéologie et textes”, CIERAM – EVCAU – Université Paris-Diderot, Paris 7 ICT, 5 décembre, Paris.</li> </ul>
2012	Charloux G., Loreto R., al-Tirâd A., al-Qa`îd A., al-Dâyil A., al-‘Arjân H., al-Mu’aykil A., al-Murshd A., al-Mâlikî T., Marcolongo A., Morel Q., al-Qahtânî D. et M., Schiettecatte J., Robin C., Siméon P. 2012. “ The Saudi Italian French archaeological Project at Dûmat al-Jandal : the 2010 season”, pp. 131-154. <i>New Research in Archaeology and Epigraphy of South Arabia and its neighbors</i> , Proceedings of the “Rencontres Sabéennes 15”, Moscow.
2012	Al-Ghazzi A., Schiettecatte J., Charloux G., Crassard R., Hilbert Y., Mouton M., Siméon P. (UMR 8167, Paris) : “Exploring the Najd Results of the first season of the French-Saudi archaeological Mission in the al-Kharj area (Riyadh Province, Saudi Arabia)”, Seminar for Arabian Studies July 13 <sup>th</sup> , 2012
<b>VARIOUS GRANTS &amp; SKILLS</b>	
September- October 2009	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Travel Grant UMR 81-67, fieldwork training in Tadjikistan.</li> </ul>
February-July 2005	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Travel Grant of the doctoral school of Paris I Pantheon-Sorbonne for my PhD training in Tadjikistan, studying ceramics materials of Hulbuk.</li> </ul>
May 2004	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Travel Grant of MAE (French Ministry of The Foreign affairs) to go to the EAA colloquium in Saint Petersburg, Russia.</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Good level in MS Office (Word, Excel), Adobe-Illustrator, Photoshop, Indesign, Didger, OziExplorer, Surfer, Database (FileMaker Pro). Beginner in Arc Gis 9, Autocad.</li> <li>▪ Technical drawing and photographing of ceramics (sherds and complete pieces), layout architecture, topographic mapping</li> <li>▪ Use of a theodolite, photography, use of GPS, Driving licence.</li> </ul>
<b>PUBLICATIONS</b>	
2014	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ “ L’extraction minière en Asie centrale entre le VIII<sup>e</sup> et le XII<sup>e</sup> siècle : enjeux économiques et politiques ”, <i>Archéo.Doct – 4</i>, pp. 295-313, Publication de la Sorbonne, Paris.</li> </ul>
2013	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ “The recording System &amp; some Preliminary Remarks on the Islamic Pottery”, pp. 263-289, dans Charloux G. et Loreto R. <i>DÛMA I. Report of the 2010 season of the Italian-French-Saudi Archaeological Mission in Dûmat al-Jandal, Saudi Arabia</i>, Saudi Supreme Commission for Tourism and Antiquities ed°, Riyadh, 364 p.</li> </ul>

2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ “Quelques lampes du IX<sup>e</sup> au XI<sup>e</sup> siècle découvertes à Hulbuk (Tadjikistan), essai de chronologie et de répartition”, Proceedings III International Congress of the International Lychnological Association, (ILA), pp. 300-312, September 2009, Heidelberg.</li> </ul>
2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ “La céramique de Hulbuk (capitale du Ḥuttal), entre Mā warā’al-nahr et Ṭuḥāristān, nouvelles données sur la céramique médiévale d’Asie centrale entre le IX<sup>e</sup> et le XI<sup>e</sup> siècle”. <i>Cahiers de l’IFEAC</i>, vol. 21/22, pp. 386-401, Tashkent.</li> </ul>
2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ “Hulbuk: architecture and material culture of the capital of the Banijurids in central asia (ninth–eleventh centuries)”, <i>Muqarnas, An Annual on the Visual Cultures of the Islamic World</i>, vol. 29, pp. 385-421, Harvard University, Cambridge.</li> </ul>
2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ “Les ateliers de potiers en Asie centrale, entre Samarqand et Nīshāpūr : approche critique, de la conquête musulmane au XII<sup>e</sup> siècle”. Actes du colloque AIECM2 (2009), Università Ca’ Foscari, pp. 15-21, Venezia.</li> </ul>
<b>BOOKS</b>	
2014 [forthcoming]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <i>Ordinary to Luxury, Islamic ceramics from the Islamic Art Museum, Bamberg</i>, ed. Universitätsmuseum Islamische Kunst and Deutsche Archäologische Institut (ed. ?), ca.270 p. Berlin.</li> </ul>
2009	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <i>Étude du matériel céramique de Hulbuk (Mā warā’al-nahr-Khuttal), de la conquête musulmane jusqu’au milieu du XI<sup>e</sup> siècle (90/712-441/1050). Contribution à l’étude de la céramique islamique d’Asie centrale</i>, British Archaeological Reports (B.A.R.-Archaeopress, 428 p., London.</li> </ul>
<b>COLLECTIVES PUBLICATIONS</b>	
2014 [forthcoming]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Schiettecatte J. et Siméon P., “Chapter 7–Al-Yamāma (area N6): Building 1 – The Great Mosque”, pp. 167-193, Saudi Supreme Commission for Tourism and Antiquities ed°, Riyadh, 372 p.</li> </ul>
2014 [forthcoming]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Mouton M. et Siméon P., “Chapter 8 – Al-Yamāma (area N6): the pottery assemblage”, pp. 195-240, Saudi Supreme Commission for Tourism and Antiquities ed°, Riyadh, 372 p.</li> </ul>
2014	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Ghazzi A., Schiettecatte J., Charloux G., Crassard R., Hilbert Y., Mouton M., Siméon P., “The oasis of al-Kharj through time: first results of archaeological fieldwork in the province of Riyadh (Saudi Arabia)”, <i>Proceedings of the Seminar for Arabian Studies</i>, vol. 43, pp. 285-308.</li> </ul>
2013	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Charloux G., Morel Q. et Siméon P., ““Archaeological and epigraphical survey”, pp. xxx, <i>DŪMA II. Report of the 2011 season of the Italian-French-Saudi Archaeological Mission in Dūmat al-Jandal</i>.</li> <li>▪ Charloux G., Morel Q. et Siméon P., “In Search of the Ibn Rashīd “Governor’s Palace” (Qasr Jawhār)”, pp. 231-252.</li> </ul>
2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Charloux G., Loreto R., al-Tirād A., al-Qa`îd A., al-Dâyil A., al-‘Arjân H., al-Mu’aykil A., al-Murshd A., al-Mâlikî T., Marcolongo A., Morel Q., al-Qahtânî D. et M., Schiettecatte J., Robin C., Siméon P. 2012. “The Saudi Italian French archaeological Project at Dūmat al-Jandal : the 2010 season”, pp. 131-154. <i>New Research in Archaeology and Epigraphy of South Arabia and its neighbors</i>, Proceedings of the “Rencontres Sabéennes 15”, Moscow.</li> </ul>
2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Charloux G., Loreto R., al-Tirād A., al-Qa`îd A., al-Dâyil A., al-‘Arjân H., al-Murshd A., al-Mâlikî T., Marcolongo A., Morel Q., al-Qahtânî D. et M., Schiettecatte J.&amp; Siméon P. 2012.</li> </ul>

	“Dûmat al-Jandal. Immémoriale oasis d'Arabie Saoudite”, <i>Archéologia</i> n°495, pp. 46-55.
2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Charloux G., Al-Malikî T., Morel Q., Al-Qahtânî D., Siméon P. “On the meaning of « Jandal » in Arabia” pp. 57-60, dans Charloux G. et Loreto R. 2012.</li> </ul>
2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Charloux C., `Abd al-Hâdî K. al-Tirâd, al-Qa`îd A., al-Dâyil A. A., al-Mâlikî T., Marcolongo A., Morel Q., al-Qahtânî D., al-Qahtânî M., Schiettecatte J. &amp; Pierre Siméon. « The Western Enclosure wall Sector C », pp. 145-260 dans Charloux G. et Loreto R. 2012.</li> </ul>
2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Charloux G., Al-Malikî T., Morel Q., Al-Qahtânî D., Siméon P. 2012. “ Archaeological Monuments in the Oasis. The 2010 Survey”, pp. 61-90, dans Charloux G. et Loreto R.(<i>op. cit.</i>)</li> </ul>
<b>REFEREES</b>	
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