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**Centre without the Hinterland!?**

**Analytical Field Prospection around Pohansko and the Question of Subsistence**

"Centre and its Hinterland" is a frequent research topic in Early medieval archaeology. Centres are usually presented as densely populated "towns" primarily oriented for craft, trade, church, elites and power. There is no free place and time for such a common thing like agriculture production. So we must necessarily expect something like an Economic Hinterland. In many cases we can see that archaeologists just collect all known and chronologically alike data from this expected Hinterland, or they do field prospection there. All obtained points are without doubt presented as proof of existence of contemporary settlement in the Hinterland. But how many times were critical reviews of these features carried out? The Great Moravian fortified centre at Pohansko barely existed for more than fifty years. Today we are able specify the chronological extent of typical artifacts for a period of hundred years. Even though we know some typical pottery production for Pohansko and we are able to connect some places in space and time, we do not know what exactly happened after the Fall of the centre and when it happened. In this lecture I will try to show the new point of view on the so called Hinterland of the Great Moravian central place at Pohansko.

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