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# **EDUCATION**

#### 1. Tertiary education:

PhD in Archaeology from Toulouse University (France), (7 December 2015);

Research title: "Aksum (Ethiopia): an inquiry into the state of Documentation and Preservation of the Archaeological and Heritage Sites and Monuments".

M.A in Archaeology from Addis Ababa University (August 2007), Department of Archaeology and Heritage Management.

Research title: "The Battlefield of Adwa and its potential for Tourism Development"

**B.A** in History from Bahir Dar University (**July 2001**), Department of History.

#### **WORK EXPERIENCE**

### 1. Teaching and non-teaching Experience

• 5 February 2018 to present – Assistant Professor of Archaeology at the Department of Archaeology and Heritage Management, Mekelle University.

- 7 December 2015 to 4 February 2018 Assistant Professor of Archaeology at the Department of Archaeology and Heritage Management, Aksum University
- 10 December 2007 to 6 December 2015 Lecturer in Archaeology at the department of Archaeology and Heritage Management, Aksum University.
- 10 September 09 December 2007: Senior Archaeology Expert, Tigrai Culture and Tourism Bureau, Mekelle.
- July 2004 10 October 2005: Expert in Conservation and Protection of Cultural Heritage, Aksum Culture and Tourism Office, Aksum.
- November 2003 June 2004: Professional Tour Guide, Aksum Culture and Tourism Office, Aksum.
- July 2001 May 2002: History Expert, Aksum Culture, Tourism and Information Office, Aksum.
- 2017 Guest lecturer at IPHC, Mekelle University

#### 2. Academic and administrative positions

- ✓ July 2018 to April 2019 delegated deputy director of IPHC, Mekelle University
- ✓ 13 December 2016 to 28 July 2017 **Director, Institute of Archaeology and Tourism**, Aksum University
- ✓ 17 December 2007 to 30 June 2009, **Head, Department of Archaeology**, Aksum University
- ✓ 2 October 2009 to 30 March 2010, **Research and Publication officer**, Aksum University
- ✓ 01 July 2009 to May 2010, **Leader of Archaeology program**.
- ✓ November 2003 (1 month) **School director** at Tekeze High school, Mekelle
- ✓ June 2002 October 2003: **Head of Culture Section**, Aksum Culture and Information Office, Aksum

## **RESEARCH AND FIELD WORKS**

- From March 15 to 25, 2021 excavated at Lalibela with the Lalibela Archaeological Research and Heritage Conservation project directed by Marie-Laure Derat, CNRS, France.
- ➤ Since 2018, I worked as a member of Horneast project in Kuiha (Tigray) directed by Professor Julien Loiseau, Aix Marseille.

- Since 2018, am a member of Maryam Nazret Project (Tigray) directed by Marie-Laure Derat, CNRS, France.
- ➤ May 2018 to present research director of an Archaeological Excavation and research at Gud Bahri, Wuqro, funded by Mekelle University.
- ➤ April 30/2016 to present—research director of an archaeological rescue excavation and research at Addi Guatiya, near Aksum, funded by Aksum University
- ➤ October to November 2007 lead a team of an archaeological excavation and research in Meqaber Ga'ewa, (Wukro, Tigray, Ethiopia) where a potential Pre-Axumite site was discovered.
- ➤ 2017 **member** of Community Service on "Raising Community awareness about Heritage protection and preservation in Ahferom Wereda", funded by Aksum University.
- ➤ June 07 to August 02, 2014, excavated at Agora (Athens) directed by Professor John Camp, director of American School of Classical Studies at Athens.
- March 2013 participated in survey on impact assessment in southern France.
- ➤ June 24 to August 10/2011, I joined an American research team in Thebes Archaeological Excavation (Greece).
- ➤ In November 2010 worked as site supervisor on behalf of Aksum University during the joint project of Aksum University (Department of Archaeology) and University of Naples "L'Orientale at Seglamen site near Aksum (Tigray, Ethiopia).
- From 01 to 22 September 2010, visited USA and got a very good experience on Cultural Heritage Management; I have lectured on the Archaeology of Ethiopia to Archaeology students at the University of Randolph Macon College in Virginia State, USA.
- ➤ 16 August to 15 September 2009, I joined a research team on the excavation of pre-historic site in Southern France, directed by François Bon, Toulouse University.
- ➤ Carried out archaeological survey in 2009 and 2011 in central Zone of Tigrai Regional State, and discovered important Pre-Aksumite and Aksumite sites.
- ➤ In June 2008, visited Athens (Greece) for field experience on archaeological excavation and heritage management.
- ➤ Accompanied Dr. Michael DiBlasi (from Boston University) during his archaeological survey at the most ancient site for cradle of civilization Yeha, for two weeks (2003).
- ➤ Worked with IUO/BU (University of Naples "L'Orientale"/Boston University)

  Archaeological Expedition in Aksum for three months during 2002 and 2003 field seasons.

- ➤ Worked with the Hamburg Archaeological Mission to Axum (HAMA) Research Team in Aksum during the 2001 and 2002 field seasons for six months of total and got training on object conservation and drawing, site and trench planning, and section drawing.
- ➤ In addition, submitted short reports to the office of Culture and Tourism office on different archaeological sites, and ancient churches and monasteries.

#### **SEMINARS AND CONFERENCES**

- Presented a paper on the topic "Rescue Excavation and the need for Impact Assessment in Aksum World Heritage Site: Case study of Addi Guatiya", at the ICES20 held in Mekelle University from 30 September to 5 October 2018.
- Presented a paper on the title: "Aksum's vanishing past: the need for rescue and conservation of recently exposed archaeological sites in Aksum, Ethiopia" at the SAFA 2016 International Conference held in Toulouse (France) from 27 June to 2 July 2016.
- Presented a paper on the title: "Aksum's vanishing past: the need for documentation, protection and conservation of the archaeological and heritage sites, the cultural landscape and monuments of Aksum, Ethiopia" at a seminar on African Archaeology held in Toulouse University on October 14, 2015.
- Presented a paper on the topic "Addi Behaylay: a stone quarry site for Yeha Temple (?): A result of recent archaeological survey", at the 4<sup>th</sup> Enno Littmann International Conference held in Tubingen, Germany, from 1<sup>st</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> April 2014, organized by German Archaeological Institute.
- Presented a paper on the topic "Archaeological Survey Results from Feresmai and its Environs" (Tigray, Ethiopia) held in Napoli, Italy, on 18 March 2010.
- Presented a paper on "The importance of Battlefield Preservation for Identity and Tourism Development", at a National workshop held in Adwa (Ethiopia) on 01 March 2009.
- Presented a paper on: "Conservation of Battlefields and associated Heritage for Identity and Tourism development: the case of Adwa Battlefield", in the 17<sup>th</sup> International Conference of Ethiopian Studies held in November 2009, Addis Ababa (Ethiopia).
- Presented a paper on: "Archaeological Heritage Management in Aksum", at a National Workshop, organized by Aksum University, Aksum, Ethiopia, August 2008.
- Presented a paper on: "The excavation result of Addi Akaweh", in the International Conference organized by the French Center for Ethiopian Studies (CFEE), Addis Abeba, Ethiopia, December 2008.
- In addition, presented many papers at Aksum University and Mekelle University on public archaeology and as key note speaker.

### **PUBLICATIONS**

- 1. Hiluf Berhe (2009). "Preliminary Report on the Archaeological Excavation of Meqaber Ga'ewa at Addi Akaweh (Tigrai, Ethiopia)". **Annales d'Ethiopie**, XXIV: 15-31.
- Hiluf Berhe (2010). "The Conservation of Adwa Battlefield and its Associated Features".
   Adwa for Africa. Vol. 1
- 3. Hiluf Berhe (2011). "Newly Discovered Archaeological Sites from Feresmay Area (Tigray, Ethiopia)". Nyame Akuma, Vol. 76; December 2011.Pp. 15-22.
- 4. Hiluf Berhe (2021). "Addi Behaylay A Possible Stone Quarry Site for Yeha Great Temple: A Result of Recent Archaeological Survey. In Claudia Sciuto, Anais Lamesa, Katy Whitaker and Ali Yamaç (eds.). Carved in Stone. The Archaeology of Rock-cut sites and stone quarries. BAR S3054. Pp: 103-111.
- 5. Gadja, Iwona, Yohannes Gebreselassie, and Hiluf Berhe (2009). "Pre-Aksumite Insciprions from Maqaber Ga'ewa (Tigrai, Ethiopia)". **Annales d'Ethiopie**, XXIV: 33-48.
- 6. Fattovich, R., Hiluf Berhe, Phillipson, L., Sernicola, L., Kribus, B., Gaudiello, M. and Barbarino, M. (2012). "Archaeological Expedition at Aksum (Ethiopia) of the University of Naples "L'Orientale" 2010 Field Season: Seglamen". Newsletter di Archaeologia (CISA), 3.
- 7. Marie-Laure Derat, Emmanuel Fritsch, Claire Bosc-Tiessé, Antoine Garric, Romain Mensan, François-Xavier Fauvelle, Hiluf Berhe (2020). Ma rya m Na zre t (Ethiopia): The Twelfth-Century Transformations of an Aksumite Site in Connection with an Egyptian Christian Community. Cahiers d'Études Africaines, LX (3), 239, pp. 473-507.
- 8. Hiluf Berhe, Mulata Haftu, Senait Abrha, Desta Haileyesus, Ayele Bekerie, Gebre Teklu, Shegalem Fiqadu, Alemayehu Kiros (2020). Preliminary report on a test excavation at the ancient iron smelting site of Gud Bahri (Wuqro, Tigray). **Annales d'Éthiopie. 33, 167-188**.
- 9. Julien Loiseau, Simon Dorso, Hiluf Berhe, Deresse Ayenachew, Amélie Chekroun & Bertrand Hirsch (2021). To whom belong the dead? Preliminary remarks on the cemetery of Tsomar, Eastern Tigray (Inscriptions Arabicae Aethiopiae 2).
- 10. Julien Loiseau, Simon Dorso, Yves Gleize, David Ollivier, Deresse Ayenachew, Hiluf Berhe, Amélie Chekroun, Bertrand Hirsch (2020). Bilet and the wider world. New insights into the archaeology of Islam in Tigray. **Antiquity**, 95(380):508-529.