

Report for the CAA National Chapter of 2021-2022

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Update on the National Chapter Activities*: *(Please insert additional pages, if needed)*

A new beginning

Due to Corona, the Swiss Chapter, founded in 2020, experienced a longer recruitment and development phase in 2021 and 2022. However, some achievements can be reported.

For the public appearance, a homepage, a Twitter presence, and a mailing list were set up. Valuable support comes from the Association Swiss Archaeology (AS - Archäologie Schweiz, archaeologie-schweiz.ch), which has a seat on the board and ensures that the CAA-CH is sustainably embedded within the Swiss archaeology community. In addition, the working group for digital excavation documentation (DIG - Arbeitsgruppe digitale Grabungsdokumentation, vatg.ch/dig) could be gained as the first special interest group.

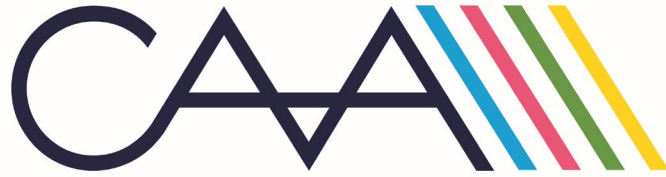
Events

The first appearance of CAA Switzerland took place on the 24th of March, 2021 at the fully virtual conference "DIGIARCH2021 : Cultural Heritage in the Digital Age", attended by 400 people from all over Switzerland. With a poster, a virtual booth, and a prominent mention in one of the conference's final publications, the new Swiss chapter was diligently promoted. In the discussion round, CAA-CH was quickly labelled as a potential player for the knowledge exchange regarding computer-based applications in cultural heritage management. For many, this was an existing desideratum and should become one of the focal points of CAA-CH's future work.

Unfortunately, a first in-person meeting with a foundation celebration in the summer of 2021 had to be cancelled.

Board appointments

As no official general meeting could have taken place yet, the board is filled on an interim basis since 2020. The first appointments were as follows: Thomas Reitmaier (chair and representative of AS), Kristin Kruse (vice chair), Martin Hinz (secretary), Christian Weiss (treasurer), Susanne Rutishauser (advisory). In October 2022, the first change of personnel took place. Thomas



Reitmaier stepped back and is thanked. The new chair is Kristin Kruse. Susanne Rütishauser is the new vice chair. Timo Geitlinger is the new actuary and representative of AS.

Outlook

From 2023 onwards, CAA Switzerland will hold thematic meetings and general assemblies in May. The Grand Opening is scheduled for May 5, 2023.