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Opening remarks and seminar overview (9:00 – 9:30 AM)

Morning Session I (9:30 AM – 12:00 PM)

Moderator: Medina Lubisia

9:30 AM – 10:00 AM:

Kuiha's Pottery from Aksumite to Medieval Period: First Insights on a Diachronic corpus. (

Desta Haileyesus - Aix-Marseille Université, France)

10:00 AM – 10:30 AM:

Kansyore Fisher-Foragers: Zooarchaeological Perspectives from the Holocene of Lake Victoria Basin, Eastern Africa.

(**Sylvia Wemanya** - Rice University, USA)

Break (10:30 AM – 11:00 AM)

11:00 AM – 11:30 AM:

Iron Production During the Aksumite and Post-Aksumite Periods in Eastern Tigray, Northern Ethiopia.

(**Hailay Atsbha** - Université Toulouse - Jean Jaures, France)

11:30 AM – 12:00 PM:

The Nexus of Faith, Water and Power: A Historical Ecology of Monastic Resilience and Resources Governance in the Northern Horn, the case of Tigray Highlands.

(**Rediat Messel** - University of Gothenburg, Sweden)

Lunch break (12:00 – 2:00 PM)

Afternoon Session II (2:00 – 4:00 PM)

Moderator: Hailay Atsbha

2:00 PM – 2:30 PM:

Environmental reconstruction of Nyero and Mukongoro rock art sites in Eastern Uganda.

(**Eugene Ayebare** - Makerere University, Uganda)

2:30 PM – 3:00 PM:

The origins of human behaviour: the contributions of manuports in the Oldowan and Acheulean of West Turkana, Kenya.

(**Medina Lubisia** - Université Toulouse - Jean Jaures, France)

3:00 PM – 3:30 PM:

Actualistic taphonomy of small mammal remains from barn owl pellets accumulation in northwest Botswana.

(**One Tshukudu** - Université Toulouse - Jean Jaures, France)

3:30 PM – 4:00 PM:

Exploring functional roles of chert materials during Oldupai Gorge Plio-Pleistocene.

(**Felix Kisena** - New York University, USA)

Closing remarks

