Cercetări arheologice în cartierul de sud de la Tropaeum Traiani (Campaniile 2017-2019)

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Abstract

Archaeological Research in the Southern District from Tropaeum Traiani (2017-2019 Campaigns)

The archaeological researches in sector C from the Tropaeum Traiani (Adamclisi common, Constanța county), from the period 2017-2019, have proposed the continuation of the study of the late Roman-Byzantine period habitation complex in the southern area of the city, more precisely of a large building, discovered with more than a decade ago. At this stage of the research, we can specify that we are in front of a large and important building of type Domus, oriented north-south (slightly northwest and southeast), with a width of 22 m and a length of 44 m. During this period, four new sections (20-24) were opened, oriented east-west and north-south. Also, in order to understand the planimetry of the respective micro-zone in the mentioned neighborhood, we cleaned part of the sections investigated nearby during the 80s of the last century, located to the east of cardo, in front towards east of the mentioned Domus type building. In the whole area we have eliminated a number of witnesses who have revealed new constructive details, including the north side of the building. We also note the appearance to the north, before the north side, of a massive wall (as a possible porch), 7.60 m long and 0.70 / 0.80 m wide, kept on five rows, with 1.20 m height. The north side of the porch comprises five well-arranged rows made in technique opus mixtum.

The archaeological excavations in the area of the analyzed building, for the last century of habitation, are nearing the end. However, on the one hand, the total interior structure of the 6th century A.D. building is still to be clarified, which can be achieved by eliminating numerous witnesses existing in the eastern half of the building. On the other hand, we will conduct a series of surveys in order to capture the urban archaeological context before the 6th century A.D. It certainly exists, considering the discovery of numerous ancient objects specific to the 2nd-5th centuries A.D. during the archaeological campaigns of the last 15 years.

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