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Living Amid the Ruins Project: Archaeology, Society and Sustainable Development

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This talk will examine the complex relationship between archaeology and contemporary society, concentrating on how communities that live in close proximity to archaeological sites are influenced by their surroundings, with particular focus on the British Institute at Ankara's public archaeology project "Living Amid the Ruins (LAR)". Funded by the British Academy Sustainable Development Programme, LAR is the product of a multidisciplinary team. It builds upon the BIAA's ongoing cultural heritage management project in the ancient region of Pisidia, located in Southwestern Turkey. The Pisidia Heritage Trail - the primary outcome of this work - is a 350 km long trekking route that connects archaeological sites and their nearby villages to each other, making it possible to promote this region as a single destination. The aim is to use archaeological heritage as an engine for sustainable development, offering both social and economic benefits to the local communities, residing in the mountain villages located by the ancient sites along the heritage trail.