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## **PUBLIC LECTURE**

THE NEAR EASTERN ARCHAEOLOGY FOUNDATION WEDNESDAY 13 SEPTEMBER 2017

The Council of the Near Eastern Archaeology Foundation invite you to our series of public lectures.

Wednesday 13 September 2017

Centre for Classical and Near Eastern Studies of Australia (CCANESA) Level 4 Madsen Building F09 University of Sydney

6.30 to 7.30pm followed by a light supper

Bookings are essential for this event. We prefer prepayment by 8 September 2017.

All prepaid tickets will be available at the door.

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DR GIL DAVIS

Our understanding of the origins of money and the sources of silver have changed completely in the last few years. This lecture summarises the latest thinking. It presents fresh interpretations of lead isotope analyses of Archaic Greek coins based on new data for ore sources from Spain to Iran. It demonstrates that the early minters used far more diverse ore sources than the literary evidence suggests, and forces a re-evaluation of the relationship between mining, minting and trade.

**Dr Gil Davis** is the Director, Program for Ancient Mediterranean Studies at Macquarie University where he lectures in Greek history, and runs the Archaeology of Ancient Israel and Schools Outreach Programs.

His primary research interests are related to numismatics, Athenian history and economics, and metal analysis. Together with A/Prof Kenneth Sheedy and Prof Damian Gore, he has worked for several years on the ARC-funded project 'A spring of silver, a treasury in the earth: coinage and wealth in archaic Athens'. He is a partner and collaborator on the recently announced major ERC-funded project 'Silver Isotopes and the Rise of Money'. Gil is the Managing Editor of the Journal of the Numismatic Association of Australia.

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