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MONDAY 9 APRIL 2018



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**General Lecture Theatre 1
Main Quadrangle
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6.30pm

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When the Sakdrisi complex (SE-Georgia, Transcaucasia) was discovered more than twelve years ago and its significance began to be recognised, no one yet knew how much valuable information it was to offer. Mining, metallurgy, settlement and social structures are all inter-related as contemporary phenomena, permitting a variety of approaches to study and analysis of a gold mining society of the late 4th millennium BCE. The entire Kura-Araxes production chain can be reconstructed from the Sakdrisi complex. This important evidence has enabled the research team to understand the significance of gold production in daily life and how this influenced ritual practice and social structure.

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