

CALL FOR PAPERS

Session #212

Transforming Data into Experience: Interdisciplinary Strategies for Sustainable Archaeological Tourism

This session is dedicated to exploring interdisciplinary and collaborative strategies that successfully transform complex, and often highly academic, archaeological knowledge into engaging, accessible, and sustainable cultural tourism products. In an era demanding resilience and renewed relevance from heritage institutions, we spotlight the vital necessity of bridging the gap between academic research and public engagement.

We seek to highlight effective approaches, developed through collaboration among museums, universities, cultural routes, and other heritage institutions and often within international projects, in regard of or in partnership with local communities within their respective cultural landscapes, that enhance public awareness and generate sustainable cultural tourism models and new visitor programs.

We welcome papers that demonstrate successful knowledge transfer, showcasing innovative methodologies and tools that apply archaeological academic research to offer tangible connections to the past (e.g. using databases or ALS imagery to assess site suitability for public presentation, developing new interpretations based on academic research, connecting archaeological research with new digital technologies, utilizing the results of various archaeological analysis to recreate the past (such as past environments, menus, clothing...etc.)

Ultimately, this session calls for abstracts that underscore the critical role of strong interdisciplinary and international collaboration in creating vibrant, educational, and economically viable heritage experiences.

Keywords:

Archaeological Tourism, Interdisciplinary Collaboration, Sustainable Heritage Management, Public Archaeology, Archaeological Interpretation, Knowledge Transfer

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Deadline: February 5, 2026

Key information:

- Submission period: **December 19, 2025 – February 5, 2026**
- Submission portal: <https://submissions.e-a-a.org/ea2026/login>
- Contribution formats:
 - **Papers:** 15-minute oral presentations within specific sessions.
 - **Posters:** Displayed as e-posters in a digital format; not typically presented within sessions but accessible through the conference’s mobile app, web platform and onsite e-poster boards. E-poster files (PDF) must be submitted in advance of the meeting (July 7, 2026).
- Both formats are submitted to Annual Meeting [sessions](#).

Important guidelines:

- **Membership:** You must have an EAA ID to submit. Membership payment for 2026 is not required at the time of submission. Your **EAA ID** is 78211.
- Please always include EAA IDs for your co-authors if they already have one.
- Abstract text: Between 150-300 words.
- Title: Max. 20 words.
- Affiliations: Maximum 80 characters. Use only the main name of your institution or company (avoid titles, positions, addresses, or country names).
- Authorship: Each member may submit **one paper and one poster** as the main author (**topics must differ**), with no limits on co-authoring contributions.

Evaluation and notification:

All submissions will go through a two-step review process:

1. By the organisers of the session to which they were submitted.
2. By the Athens Scientific Committee.

Results will be communicated by **March 30, 2026**.

Fees and deadlines:

- **First authors** of accepted papers and posters must make the following payments by **April 29, 2026**:
 - *EAA 2026 membership fee*
 - *EAA 2026 conference registration fee*
- Both payments must be received by 29 April to ensure inclusion in the programme.
- Both payments can be made at <https://www.e-a-a.org/EAA2026/registration>.
- Co-authors are required to pay the fees listed above only if they intend to attend the meeting. The 29 April deadline does not apply to co-authors.

Further details:

- Please find further details regarding contributions at <https://www.e-a-a.org/EAA2026/contributions>.
- For questions or assistance, please visit the [EAA 2026 conference website](#) or contact us at helpdesk@e-a-a.org.