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**Constructing Cultures:
Re-Evaluating the Creation of
Cities and Houses in Archaic and Classical Sicily**

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This presentation is concerned with the cultural significance of new urban forms and houses in Ancient Sicily. Considerable attention has been directed to the form and chronology of urban planning and structures at Greek settlements. It has been argued that the urban plan was not just a material expression of new cultural ideas of community and identity, but that the process of demarcation, allocation, construction and habitation established and nurtured new cultural practices and group identities. These themes are explored and reconsidered with the evidence from sites including Naxos and Megara Hyblaea.