

Bilkent History Graduate Symposium

C-Block Amphi | May 4-5, 2023

May 4, 2023

10:45 - Welcoming

11:00 - Keynote Speaker

Christoph K. Neumann - The Director of the Orient-Institut Istanbul

Turning a Language into a Provincial and Dead Tongue: Arabic in the Non-Arabophone Regions of the Ottoman Empire During the Long Nineteenth Century

13:00 - Panel 1: The Spirit of Time: Transformation and Intellectuals

Moderator: Ebru Boyar (Middle East Technical University)

Furkan Taşpınar - Bilkent University

Between Banditry and Gentry: A Case of Intwoven Roles Among Local Notables in the Ottoman Balkans During the First Half of the Eighteenth Century

Fatih Öyük - Boğaziçi University

Naib the Entrepreneur: The Practice of İltizam in the Ottoman Judiciary System

Atıl Öder - Boğaziçi University

The "Modern Doctor" in the Late Ottoman Empire: Dr. İbrahim Paşa of the Hamidiye Etfal Hospital

Adile Sedef Ateş - Koç University

Al-Mu'allim Butrus al-Bustani (1819-1883): His Ideas on Education and al-Madrassa al-Wataniyya

14:15 - Coffee Break

14:45 - Panel 2: Practice of Politics: Consent & Economics

Moderator: Özden Mercan (Hacettepe University)

Doğuş Aytaç - Bilkent University

Can I Have My Land Back Please? – The Intensification of Lordship in Tenth-Century England and the Anti-Monastic Reaction in Context

Mustafa Özgür Elmacıoğlu - Bilkent University

The Court Rolls of the Manor of Wakefield as Financial Records

Furkan Elmas - Koç University

Monetization Processes and Changing Production Relations in Bursa, 1740-1840

Onur Barış Paker - Middle East Technical University

A Critical Look at the Ottoman Empire's Archaeology Policies in the Light of the Laws of Antiquities

16:20 - Panel 3: Ideas and Politics: Minorities and Political Change

Moderator: Nil Tekgül (Bilkent University)

Özlem Elif İşler - Bilkent University

Spatial and Conceptual Transformation of the Concept of Vatan

Saleh Alkhulaifi - Cambridge University

Historiography of the Ottoman Mamluk Dynasty of Baghdad

Furkan Çağlan - Bilkent University

Nicaea and Trebizond: The Impact of the Imperial Claims in Exile on Two Cities

Ali Danis Neyzi - UC Davis

Funding the Sultan's Mosque: Imperial Vakıfs as State Taxation Policies

17:35 - Refreshments



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10:30 - Panel 4: Rebels and Law

Moderator: David Thornton (Bilkent University)

Eylül Çetinbaş - Bilkent University

Nonnae Rebelles: The Cult of Mary d'Oignies and the Beguinal Movement

Beril Ünver - Bilkent University

Representations of Boudica Through Time

Aylin Aktaş - Istanbul Bilgi University

Uncovering Everyday Life in Muylaplar Village in Late 19th Century: A Murder Case Analysis Through Interrogation Protocols

Deniz Yüce - Boğaziçi University

Ottoman Prison Workshops between Ideals and Obstacles

13:00 - Panel 5: Politics and Representation during the Medieval Age

Moderator: Paul Latimer (Bilkent University)

Fermude Gülsevinç - Bilkent University

Rethinking the Tyrrhenian Sea: Byzantine Influence on Late Antique and Early Medieval Naples

Ege Barış Kanık - Bilkent University

Some Aspects of the Viking Impact in Ireland

Selman Oğuzcan Ünal - Bilkent University

Reading Spolia: Understanding Symbolism on the Walls of Aslanhane Mosque in Ancyra Through Venice, Byzantium and Seljuk Rums in the 13th Century

Virginia Sommella - Bilkent University

Captivity and Freedom, Passing of the Baton from a Bird's Paw

14:15 - Coffee Break

14:45 - Panel 6: Cross-Cultural Encounters

Moderator: Daniel Johnson (Bilkent University)

Melisa Nazlı Aras - Bilkent University

Making a Murderer in the Elizabethan Court: The Tragic Death of Amy Dudley

Emirhan Mutlu - Koç University

Americans in Karamursel: A New Social Order Under Nato Impact

Ahmet Kaan Akyüz - Bilkent University

American-Ottoman Relations in The Great War

Berkay Acır - Bilkent University

Wilsonian Principles and Turkish-American Relations in the Foundation of Modern Turkey

16:20 - Panel 7: Power of the Empire

Moderator: Berke Torunoğlu (Bilkent University)

Ülker Sedef Piker - New Jersey Institute of Technology

Making the Orient your Own: American Orientalism in the Gilded Age Interiors

Başak Karaca - University of Southern California

The Diuzian Family and Transformation of the Amiras in Nineteenth-Century Istanbul

Julia Frölich - University of Vienna

Organising Survival: Turkish Zionists in İzmir and Their Role in the Cross-Aegean Rescue Operation Saving Greek Jews from Extermination (1943–1944)

Ali Deniz Gür - Leipzig University

Ahmed Rifkî (1884-1935): A Late Ottoman Bektashi Agent of Cultural Transfer

17:35 - Closing

18:00 - Cocktail



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