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Welcome to the Central Eurasian Studies Society (CESS) 20th Annual Conference at the George Washington University!

We are hosting you at the Central Asia Program (CAP) and the Institute for European, Russian and Eurasian Studies (IERES), part of the George Washington University's Elliott School of International Affairs, one of the world's leading schools of international affairs and the largest school of international affairs in the United States. Located in the heart of Washington, D.C., its mission is to educate the next generation of international leaders, conduct research that advances understanding of important global issues, and engage the policy community in the United States and around the world.

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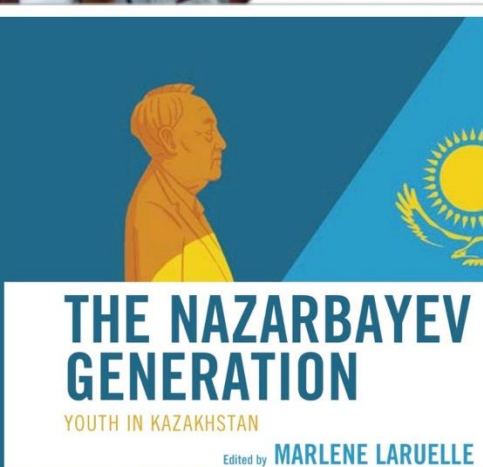
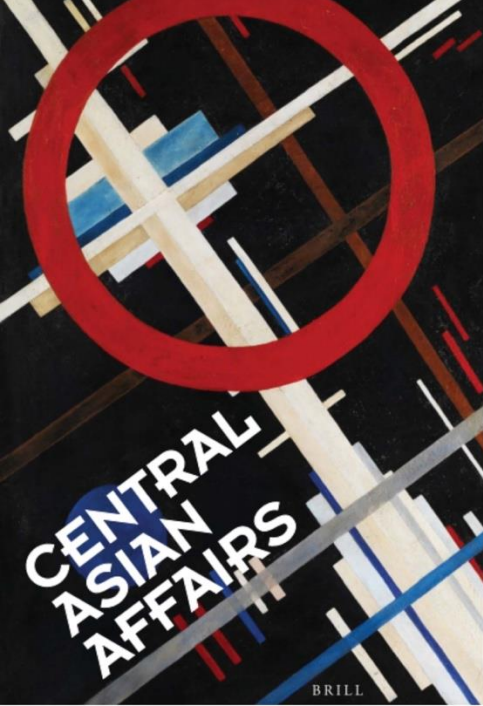
This year we will feature two keynote speakers, Harsha Ram, from the University of California-Berkeley, and Mohira Suyarkulova, from the American University of Central Asia in Bishkek, discussing respectively "The Caucasus: From Geopolitics to Geopoetics," and "Becoming an Activist Scholar: towards more Politically Engaged and Socially Accountable Research Practices in Central Asian Studies".

In parallel to the conference, we offer you a full festival celebrating Central Asian cultures, comprised of a curated exhibition, lectures on material culture and traditions, music and dance performances, photo exhibition, as well as the sale of exclusive wearable art from the region by local artisans.

We hope you stay and mingle with friends and colleagues during our Opening Reception on Friday, October 11 at 5.:30pm in the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor Hall and enjoy wonderful Central Asian food generously cooked and provided by our colleagues from the Embassies of Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, and Uzbekistan, and Uyghur associations.

Please join me in thanking the Elliott School of International Affairs for its support, as well as the CESS and IERES staff, who put an incredible amount of work and enthusiasm to make this event happen!

Marlene Laruelle  
Director, Institute for European, Russian and Eurasian Studies (IERES)  
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- Publications include online CAP Papers series, ebooks, and the peer-reviewed quarterly *Central Asian Affairs*, featuring innovative research on the wider Central Asian region



- The Lexington book series 'Contemporary Central Asia' offers deep insights into Central Asia by providing readers unique access to state-of-the-art scholarship on the region



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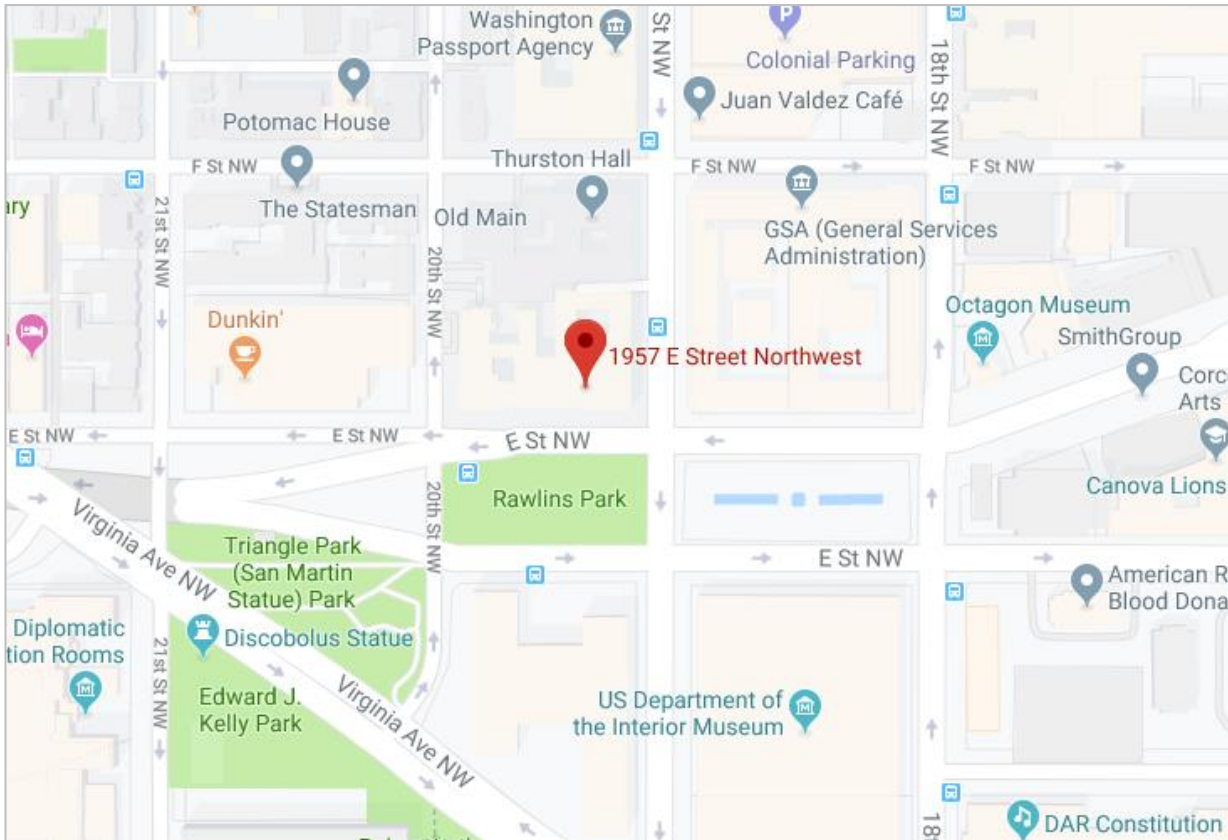
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We would like to thank the Embassies of Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, and Uzbekistan, and the Uyghur associations for their generous support in co-sponsoring the Opening Reception.

# LOCATIONS

All events are held within the Elliot School Building, 1957 E Street, NW



<p><b>Basement</b>          Room B12          Room B14          Room B16          Room B17</p>	<p><b>1st Floor</b>          Room 111          Room 112          Room 113</p>	<p><b>2nd Floor</b>          Registration          Exhibition tables          Room 211          Room 212          Room 213          Room 214</p>	<p><b>3rd Floor</b>          Room 303A</p>	<p><b>4th Floor</b>          Voesar Room 412          Space Institute Room 403          Private Nursing Room          (Interrogation Room 412)</p>
<p><b>5th Floor</b>          Room 505          Sigur Center Room 503          IMES Room 512          IIEP Room 501</p>	<p><b>6th Floor</b>          Lindner Room          602</p>	<p><b>7th Floor</b>          City View Room          State Room</p>		

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# PROGRAM OVERVIEW

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## **Thursday, October 10**

11:00-18:00 - Registration and Inquiries, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor

13:00-14:45 - Session 1

15:00-16:45 - Session 2

17:00-18:45 - Session 3

## **Friday, October 11**

08:00-16:00 - Registration and Inquiries, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor

09:00-10:45 - Session 4

10:45-11:00 - Coffee Break

11:00-12:45 - Session 5

12:45-14:00 - Lunch (Own Arrangements)

14:00-15:45 - Session 6

16:00-17:30 - Formal Opening of Conference, Keynote Speaker: Harsha Ram

18:00-21:00 – Reception

## **Saturday, October 12**

08:00-16:00 - Registration and Inquiries, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor

09:00-10:45 - Session 7

10:45-11:00 - Coffee Break

11:00-12:45 - Session 8

12:45-14:00 - Lunch (Own Arrangements)

14:00-15:45 - Session 9

16:00-17:30 - CESS Business Meeting & Awards Ceremony (Open to all delegates)

17:30-19:00 – Keynote Speaker: Mohira Suyarkulova

## **Sunday, October 13**

08:00-10:00 - Registration and Inquiries, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor

09:00-10:45 - Session 10

11:00-12:45 - Session 11

## KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

### THE CAUCASUS: FROM GEOPOLITICS TO GEOPOETICS

16:00-17:30, Friday, October 11  
City View Room (7<sup>th</sup> Floor)

The Caucasus is primarily seen as a contested territory, an interregional space caught between rival empires as well as local polities. At the same time its topographic and ethnolinguistic diversity has captured the imagination of travelers over the centuries. This talk explores the tensions and convergences between territorial ambition and the literary imagination as exemplified by the Russian tradition. It suggests that literature, rather than simply corroborating or resisting the goals of the state, articulates the problem of sovereignty in ways that touch on the aesthetic as well as political dimensions of power.

**Harsha Ram** is Associate Professor of Slavic Languages and Literatures and Comparative Literature at the University of California, Berkeley. Dr. Ram's research interests and expertise are: Russian and European romanticism and modernism, Russian and European avant-gardes, Russian, European, Near Eastern and South Asian poetic traditions, Indian literature, Italian literature, Georgian history and literature, theories of world literature, literary theory, comparative poetics, genre theory, literary history, comparative modernisms and modernities, vernacular and high culture, cultural and political history of Russia-Eurasia and the Caucasus, postcolonial studies, theories of nationalism, imperialism and cosmopolitanism, the city and literature.



### BECOMING AN ACTIVIST SCHOLAR: TOWARDS MORE POLITICALLY ENGAGED AND SOCIALLY ACCOUNTABLE RESEARCH PRACTICES IN CENTRAL ASIAN STUDIES

17:30-19:00, Saturday, October 12  
Room 113

Based on a personal journey as a researcher, teacher and activist living and working in/on Central Asia, Mohira Suyarkulova will share her reflections on whether and how research done in and on the region of 'Central Asia' can have an emancipatory

potential. Born out of the orientalist tradition and Cold War rivalry, can area studies serve the interests of the "wretched of the earth"? Who is an academic accountable to? How can we engage in a more responsible intellectual labour under the conditions of permanent crisis and precarity? What is at stake when we ask certain questions and pledge our energies to specific intellectual pursuits? These are some of the dilemmas that this keynote invites fellow Central Asianists to reflect on.

**Mohira Suyarkulova** is a queer feminist communist and a scholar of Central Asia, living in Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan. Since completing her PhD in International Relations at St Andrews University (UK) in 2011, she has held a number of research and teaching positions in Europe and Kyrgyzstan. She is currently an Associate Professor in the Sociology department at the American University of Central Asia. Dr. Suyarkulova's latest work focuses on the politics of gender and sexuality in Central Asia, engaging in participatory action research located at the intersection of scholarship and activism.

## SPECIAL EVENTS PROGRAM

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In addition to more than 80 panels that will take place over the course of the conference, we would like to also draw your attention to the following events:

### WELCOME SPEECH

*Friday, October 11, 16.00-16.15, City View Room*

Opening remarks will be given by Peter Rollberg, Associate Dean for Faculty Affairs and Research Initiatives, and by H.E. Ambassador Javlon Vakhobov from the Embassy of Uzbekistan to the United States.

### KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

*Friday, October 11, 16.15-17.30, City View Room*

**Harsha Ram**, Associate Professor, Slavic Languages and Literatures and Comparative Literature, U.C. Berkeley.

*Saturday, October 12, 17.30-19.00, Room 113*

**Mohira Suyarkulova**, Associate Professor at the Department of Sociology, American University of Central Asia.

### OPENING RECEPTION

*Friday, October 11, 17.30, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Hall*

All delegates are invited to join us for this welcome reception hosted by CAP and the Embassies of Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, and Uzbekistan, and Uyghur associations. Wine, beer, and Central Asian food will be served. **Your badge is required to access the reception.**

### BUSINESS MEETING & AWARDS CEREMONY

*Saturday, October 12, 16.00-17.30, Room 113*

Everyone is invited to the Annual Business Meeting, where you can hear from CESS Board members about the society's news and updates from the past year and our future plans, and have the opportunity to raise questions for the Board. The Business Meeting will be followed by our Awards Ceremony where prizes for the best book, graduate student paper, lifetime achievement, and public outreach will be awarded.

### CULTURAL PROGRAM

Please join us to celebrate Central Asian cultures through a three-day festival comprised of a curated exhibition, lectures on material culture and traditions, music and dance performances, photo exhibition, as well as the sale of exclusive wearable art from the region by local artisans.

## THE PITTSBURGH PAPERS ON CENTRAL EURASIAN STUDIES

### Call for Papers

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We welcome paper proposals from disciplines ranging across the Humanities and Social Sciences on issues pertinent to the Central Eurasian cultural and political space. Proposals may thus discuss the five Central Asian states (Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan), Afghanistan and the Chinese borderlands of the Xinjiang Uyghur Autonomous Region, the Caucasus with Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia as well as Dagestan and Chechnya or the northern regions of Iran and Pakistan.

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3. Justification for the paper's intended contribution to the advancement of Central Eurasian Studies in methodological, theoretical or empirical terms
4. Synopsis of the paper's key research questions and central argument
5. A detailed table of content
6. Bibliography

The Editorial Board of the Pittsburgh Papers in Central Eurasian Studies will respond to prospective authors within six weeks from receipt of their proposal, addressing its scientific merit and interest to the series' potential readership. In case of acceptance, the Committee will agree with the author on a submission date, provide style guidelines and further editorial advice as required.

# TIMETABLE

Thursday, October 10				
13:00-14.45	14:45-15:00	15.00-16.45	16:45-17:00	17.00-18.45
Session 1		Session 2		Session 3
ANT-01: Does Central Eurasian Islam Need a Rethink? <i>(State Room, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor)</i>	Break	ECO-03: Economic Imaginaries in Eurasia <i>(Room 505)</i>	Break	HIS-16: The politics of history in contemporary Eurasia <i>(Room 303A)</i>
EDU-01: Roundtable: Higher Education in Central Asia as an Engine for Careers Internationally: Challenges and Successes <i>(Sigur Center Room 503)</i>		EDU-02: Higher Education in Kazakhstan and Central Asia: Issues in Improving Quality <i>(Sigur Center Room 503)</i>		LIT-03: Representations of Self and Other in Kazakh Literature <i>(IMES Room 512)</i>
ENE-03: The Environmental Impacts of Chinese Investments in the Oil & Gas Sector in Central Asia <i>(Room 505)</i>		HIS-02: Gender and Nation in Soviet Central Asian Film, 1940-1970 <i>(IMES Room 512)</i>		POL-16: Informality and Local Governance <i>(Sigur Center Room 503)</i>
HIS-01: Author-Critic Forum: Hagiography vs. Reality. An outsider writing an insider story <i>(IMES Room 512)</i>		POL-08: Assessing the Belt and Road Initiative and its Regional Impact <i>(State Room, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor)</i>		POL-05: Back to “centrality” of Central Asia: Challenges and opportunities? <i>(City View Room, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor)</i>
HIS-08: Oral Histories: Uyghur, Tajik, and Uzbek disrupted lives <i>(Room 303A)</i>		REG-02: Roundtable: Discussing Central Asia in Context, part 2 <i>(Voesar Room 412)</i>		REG-01: Roundtable: Discussing Central Asia in Context, part 1 <i>(Voesar Room 412)</i>
POL-10: Regional Cooperation: Local framework and broader context <i>(Voesar Room 412)</i>				REL-05: Religion, Morality and Values in Eurasia <i>(State Room, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor)</i>
REG-03: Roundtable: Central Asia in the Era of Sovereignty: The Return of Tamerlane <i>(City View Room, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor)</i>				

Friday, October 11					
09:00-10.45	10.45-11.00	11:00-12.45	12:45-14:00	14.00-15.45	16.00-19.30
Session 4		Session 5		Session 6	
ANT-04: Religious Pluralisation in Urban Environment part I <i>(Sigur Center Room 503)</i>	Coffee break, 2 <sup>nd</sup> floor Hall	ANT-05: Religious Pluralisation in Urban Environment part II <i>(Sigur Center Room 503)</i>	Lunch (own arrangements)	ANT-03: Caucasian Folklore <i>(Sigur Center Room 503)</i>	Formal Opening of Conference by Peter Rollberg, Associate Dean for Faculty Affairs and Research Initiatives, and H.E. Ambassador Javlon Vakhobov from the Embassy of Uzbekistan to the United States, 16:00-16:15, City View Room  Keynote: Harsha Ram, 16:15-17:30, City View Room  Followed by the Opening Reception, 2 <sup>nd</sup> floor Hall
CUL-01: Author-Critic Forum: Cinema, Nation, and Empire in Uzbekistan by Cloé Drieu <i>(IIEP Room 501)</i>		ANT-06: Precarious labor: Political economy, gender, & subjectivity in Central Asia <i>(Voesar Room 412)</i>		CUL-03: Arts, Crafts and Culture in Central Eurasia <i>(Voesar Room 412)</i>	
ECO-02: Dynamics in the Eurasian Economic Union <i>(Room B17)</i>		HIS-04: Gender, Politics, Marriage and Children in the Mongol Empire <i>(Room 303A)</i>		ENE-01: Environment, Development and Sustainability in Eurasia <i>(Room 211)</i>	
EDU-06: Workshop: Interactive, participatory & practical legal education: A workshop demonstrating Street Law in Uzbekistan <i>(Room 303A)</i>		HIS-13: Islamic Reform and Visions of Modernity Across Eurasia in the late 19 <sup>th</sup> and early 20 <sup>th</sup> centuries <i>(Room 505)</i>		HIS-05: Roundtable: Towards an Understanding of the Nomadic Camp, from the Mongol Empire to the present <i>(Room 505)</i>	
HIS-03: The Mongols and their neighbors in West and Central Asia <i>(Room 505)</i>		LIT-01: Oral Literature in Translation <i>(Space Institute Room 403)</i>		HIS-17: Diaspora, Migration and Resistance in Eurasia <i>(Room 303A)</i>	
HIS-14: The Russian Gaze: Imperial Politics and Knowledge of Central Asia, the Caucasus, and Iran <i>(Voesar Room 412)</i>		POL-06: Roundtable: America in Central Asia: Still Relevant? What Roles? <i>(City View Room, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor)</i>		LIT-02: Literature and Identity: Historical Models and New Configurations 1900-1940 <i>(Space Institute Room 403)</i>	
LAN-01: Caucasian Linguistics <i>(Space Institute Room 403)</i>		POL-18: Civil Society and Identities in Tajikistan and Kyrgyzstan <i>(Room 212)</i>		MIG-01: The Effects of Migration in Central Asia <i>(Room 112)</i>	
POL-02: Roundtable: Islamic Revival and Political Islam? Examining Islam and Politics Across Central Asia <i>(Room 113)</i>		REL-04: Religion, Youth and Change in Kazakhstan and Kyrgyzstan <i>(Room 213)</i>		MED-02: Media Literacy, Fake News and Media Education in Central Asia <i>(Room B17)</i>	
POL-19: Nationhood: Top-down and bottom-up <i>(Room 213)</i>				POL-03: The (post-) imperial politics of security, stability and order in Central Asia <i>(City View Room, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor)</i>	
POL-20: RFE/RL Majlis Podcast: The Role of Women In Governance And Political Landscape Of Post-Soviet Central Asia <i>(City View Room, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor)</i>				POL-14: Regime Theories Applied to Central Asia <i>(Room 113)</i>	

**Saturday, October 12**

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Session 7		Session 8		Session 9	
EDU-05: Higher Education and Research: Challenges of transformations <b>(Room 214)</b>	Coffee break. 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor Hall	EDU-03: Educational Inequality and Experiences: Perspectives from Twentieth Century to Independence <b>(Room 214)</b>	ISR-03: Workshop: Publishing in Central Asian Survey: Tips to Help You Succeed <b>(Voesar Room 412)</b>  Lunch (own arrangements)	GEN-01: Traditionalism & Gender Objectification <b>(Room 214)</b>	CESS Business Meeting & Awards Ceremony (open to all delegates), 16.00-17:30, Room 113  Keynote Mohira Suyarkulova 17:30-19:00, Room 113
ENE-02: Roundtable: Sources and Scales of Research on Central Asian Environments <b>(Room 211)</b>		HIS-15: The making and unmaking of Soviet community: from collectivisation to Perestroika <b>(Room 505)</b>		HIS-06: Beyond Steppe & Sown: Scrambling Ethno-Ecological Assumptions in Medieval Inner Asia <b>(Room 303A)</b>	
GEN-02: Gender, Norms and Deviance <b>(Room 212)</b>		HIS-18: Sources and Methodological Questions <b>(Room 303A)</b>		LAN-04: Language, Text and Narration <b>(Voesar Room 412)</b>	
HIS-11: Book in Progress: Collapse and Re-birth: A Living Archive on the End of the USSR and Afterward <b>(Room 505)</b>		ISR-02: Roundtable: The Role of Researchers in Human Rights Activism <b>(Room 113)</b>		LIT-04: Exploring Kyrgyz Literature: From Manas to Chingiz Aitmatov <b>(Room 212)</b>	
ISR-01: Roundtable: The Central Asia Scholar With a Thousand Faces: Who are We in the 21st Century? <b>(Room B12)</b>		LAN-03: Trilingualism or Nativism? Questions of Linguistic Policies and Realities in Kazakhstan <b>(Room 212)</b>		MED-03: State, Surveillance, Internet and Power in Eurasia <b>(Room B17)</b>	
MIG-02: Borders, Migration & Gender in Eurasian Spatialities <b>(Room B16)</b>		MIG-04: Migration, Transnationalism and Central Asians across Borders <b>(Room B16)</b>		POL-15: Party Politics in Kyrgyzstan <b>(Room 112)</b>	
POL-04: Unintended Consequences: Debt, Corruption and the Effect of Western Sanctions Against Russia on Eurasia <b>(Voesar Room 412)</b>		POL-07: Roundtable: Kazakhstan After Nazarbayev <b>(Room 213)</b>		POL-17: Reverberations of the Colonial and Soviet Past in Kazakhstan and Kyrgyzstan <b>(Room 213)</b>	
REL-01: Kazakhstan's Sacred Geography: Past and Present <b>(Room 112)</b>		REL-02: Islam in Tatarstan: Old "Friends" and New Trends <b>(Room 112)</b>		REG-06: Uyghurs, Dungans, and China's Policies <b>(Room 211)</b>	
REG-04: Roundtable: How bureaucratic elites have navigated leadership transitions in Uzbekistan & Kazakhstan? <b>(Room 213)</b>		SOC-04: Spaces, Nations and Minorities in Central Asia <b>(Room B12)</b>		REG-08: Ethnicities, Identities & Spatialities in Cultural & Socio-Political Realm of wider Eurasia <b>(Room 505)</b>	
SOC-03: Psychological Well-being as a Human Right: The Issues of Individual Responsibility and Social Environment in Kyrgyzstan <b>(Room 111)</b>					

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<b>Session 10</b>		<b>Session 11</b>
GEN-03: Women, Agency and Identity in Central Asia <b>(Room 212)</b>	<b>Break</b>	CUL-04 Performing & Negotiating Local & Global in Contemporary Central Asian Affairs with Identity, Art & Culture <b>(Room 213)</b>
HIS-09: Author-Critic Forum: Eren Tasar, Soviet & Muslim: The Institutionalization of Islam in Central Asia <b>(Room 505)</b>		ENE-05: Political Economy of Mining and Energy in the Post-Soviet Space <b>(Room 211)</b>
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**ANT-05** Religious Pluralisation in Urban Environment part II

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**ANT-06** Precarious Labor: Political economy, gender, and subjectivity in Central Asia

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**ISR-02** Roundtable: The Role of Researchers in Human Rights Activism

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**ISR-03** Workshop: Publishing in *Central Asian Survey*: Tips to Help You Succeed

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**MIG-03** Spaceness, Migration and Human Agency

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**POL-13** Regional Context and Local Transformations in the Caucasus

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**REG-02** Roundtable: discussing Central Asia in context, Part 2

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**REL-03** Geographies of Religiosity and Pilgrimage in Central Eurasia

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**REL-04** Religion, Youth and Change in Kazakhstan and Kyrgyzstan

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**SOC-01** Author-Critic Forum: *The Nazarbayev Generation. Youth in Kazakhstan*, by Marlene Laruelle, ed.

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**SOC-02** Book in Progress: *Post-liberal statebuilding in Central Asia - Imaginaries, Discourses and Practices of Social Ordering in Kyrgyzstan*, by Philipp Lottholz

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## Panel session 1

### **ANT-01 DOES CENTRAL EURASIAN ISLAM NEED A RETHINK?**

Chair: Liliya Karimova

Discussant: Morgan Liu

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#### **On the centrality of practice in Asad's "Islam as a discursive tradition"**

Author: Julie McBrien (Amsterdam)

#### **Beyond Talal Asad's Discursive Tradition**

Author: Svetlana Peshkova (University of New Hampshire)

#### **Thinking Comparatively About Contemporary Islam In Central Eurasia**

Author: Adeeb Khalid (Carleton College)

#### **A Muted Tradition: Telos, Habit, Islam**

Author: Usmon Boron (University of Toronto)

### **EDU-01 ROUNDTABLE: HIGHER EDUCATION IN CENTRAL ASIA AS AN ENGINE FOR CAREERS INTERNATIONALLY: CHALLENGES AND SUCCESSES**

Chair: Martha Merrill

Discussant: N/A

Sigur Center Conference Room 503: **Thu 10th Oct, 13:00-14:45**

**Ellen Hurwitz** (AUCA Foundation) - **panellist**

**Todd Drummond** (American Institutes for Research) - **panellist**

**Kadyr Toktogulov** (Former Ambassador of Kyrgyzstan to the U.S. and Canada, 2003 Alumnus of AUCA) - **panellist**

**Andrew Kuchins** (American University of Central Asia) - **panellist**

### **ENE-03 THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS OF CHINESE INVESTMENTS IN THE OIL AND GAS SECTOR IN CENTRAL ASIA**

Chair: Sebastien Peyrouse

Discussant: Sebastien Peyrouse

Room 505: **Thu 10th Oct, 13:00-14:45**

#### **Great Silk Road Economic Belt**

Author: Erika Weinthal (Duke University)

#### **An examination of Chinese abroad environmental and social standards**

Author: Wawa Wang (N/A)

#### **Access to information on Chinese investments in Kazakhstan: national and international law perspectives**

Author: Vadim Ni (Ecoforum of NGOs of Kazakhstan)

#### **Environmental and Social Impacts of Chinese Investments in Oil and Gas in Kazakhstan: a View from the Field**

Author: Sergey Solyanik (Crude Accountability)

### **HIS-01 AUTHOR-CRITIC FORUM: HAGIOGRAPHY VS. REALITY. AN OUTSIDER WRITING AN INSIDER STORY, BY JEFF LILLEY**

Chair: Sean Roberts

Discussant: N/A

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**Jeff Lilley** (American Councils for International Education) - **author**

**Matthew Rojansky** (Wilson Center) - **discussant**

**Asel Murzakulova** (UCA) - **discussant**

**Timur Kocaoglu** (Michigan State University) - **discussant**

**Aisalkyn Botoeva** (American Institutes for Research) – **discussant**

#### **HIS-08 ORAL HISTORIES: UYGHUR, TAJIK, AND UZBEK DISRUPTED LIVES**

Chair: Marianne Kamp

Discussant: Marianne Kamp

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##### **Student Experiences of Educational Disruption during the Civil War: Oral History Project of Tajikistan**

Authors: Christopher Whitsel (North Dakota State University); Muhabbat Yakubova (North Dakota state University)

##### **Oral history on 'cultural revolution' in Xinjiang: how a group of young Uyghurs and Kazakhs fled to Soviet Kazakhstan in 1970**

Author: Ablet Kamalov (University Turan)

##### **Sinophobic Sentiments: Uyghur Emigres in the Late Years of the Sino-Soviet Rift**

Authors: Gulnisa Nazarova (Indiana University); Gardner Bovingdon (Central Eurasian Studies, Indiana University)

##### **Hidden genealogies of Uzbek intelligentsia: Case of Alim Sharafutdinov**

Author: Elyor Karimov (Hofstra University)

#### **POL-10 REGIONAL COOPERATION: LOCAL FRAMEWORK AND BROADER CONTEXT**

Chair: Akram Umarov

Discussant: Akram Umarov

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##### **Iran's integration as a land bridge within the Southern Route of the One Belt and One Road Initiative (OBOR) by China**

Author: Asad Mahrads (Land Berlin)

##### **Can Turkmenistan cooperate with Central Asian countries? An analysis of aviation network of Central Asia**

Author: Kum Kang Lee (Seoul National University Asia Center)

##### **China, Russia, and the Shanghai Cooperation Organization: Cooperation, Competition, and Hedging**

Author: Katherine K. Elgin (Princeton University)

##### **The Effectiveness of Cross-border Water Resource Management System in Central Asia**

Author: Lei Yang (Nankai University)

#### **REG-03 ROUNDTABLE: CENTRAL ASIA IN THE ERA OF SOVEREIGNTY: THE RETURN OF TAMERLANE**

Chair: Daniel Burghart

Discussant: N/A

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**Theresa Sabonis-Helf** (National War College/National Defense University) - **panellist**

**Elena Kovalova** (National Defense University) - **panellist**

**Stacie Giles** (Virginia Commonwealth University) - **panellist**

**Robert Timm** (The Defense Security Cooperation Agency) - **panellist**

**Mariya Omelicheva** (National Defense University) – **panellist**

**Panel session 2****ECO-03 ECONOMIC IMAGINARIES IN EURASIA**

Chair: Scott Richards

Discussant: Scott Richards

Room 505: **Thu 10th Oct, 15:00-16:45****Trade costs and agrifood exports in Central Asia**

Author: Alfinura Sharafeyeva (University of Adelaide)

**Corporate governance in Tajikistan: the non-financial sector**

Author: Rashid Ochilov (N/A)

**Effects Of Technology On The Labor Force: Firms' Adoption Of Personal Computers And Changes In Their Workforce Size In Central Asia**

Author: Vadim Abanin (Georgetown University)

**Current State and Development Prospects Of Deposit Market In The Kyrgyz Republic And The Republic Of Kazakhstan**

Author: Mairamkul Toktobekova (Academy of Public Administration under the President of the Kyrgyz Republic)

**Does Social Capital Affect Demand for Government Regulation in Kazakhstan?**

Author: Marina Lukmanova (Rudny Industrial Institute)

**EDU-02 HIGHER EDUCATION IN KAZAKHSTAN AND CENTRAL ASIA: ISSUES IN IMPROVING QUALITY**

Chair: Stanley Currier

Discussant: Mieke Meurs

Sigur Center Conference Room 503: **Thu 10th Oct, 15:00-16:45****Environmental Science in Central Asia: What students do or do not know about some of the most critical issues to their long-term future**

Author: Michael Brody (American University)

**Internationalization as a resource of improving the quality of higher education in Kazakhstan**

Author: Fatima Duisebayeva (Kazakh National Agrarian University)

**Quality Assurance and International Accreditation in Higher Education in Kazakhstan: Trends and Challenges**

Author: Olga Yanovskaya (Independent Agency for Accreditation and Rating)

**Applying European Standards to Quality Approaches in Higher Education and Employability in Kazakhstan: Gender Aspects**

Author: Maigul Nugmanova (Narxoz University)

**HIS-02 GENDER AND NATION IN SOVIET CENTRAL ASIAN FILM, 1940-1970**

Chair: Yuan Gao

Discussant: Cloé Drieu

IMES Conference Room 512: **Thu 10th Oct, 15:00-16:45****Post-WWII meaning of Soviet Uzbekness through the lens of feature film and documentary about war-time adoptive families**

Author: Zukhra Kasimova (University of Illinois at Chicago)

**Production of the authentic: Dance, gender and the Nation in Tajik film from the 1960s-70s**

Author: Gordiya Khademian (New York University)

**Screening the Tajik Nation: Tajik Film Studios, 1956-1965**

Author: Nicholas Seay (Ohio State University)

**POL-08 ASSESSING THE BELT AND ROAD INITIATIVE AND ITS REGIONAL IMPACT**

Chair: Katherine K. Elgin

Discussant: Katherine K. Elgin

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**Politics and Development along the "Belt and Road"**

Author: Edward Schatz (University of Toronto)

**Belt and Road Initiative in Central Asia: Building a Community of Common Destiny?**

Author: Kemel Toktomushev (University of Central Asia)

**China's investment behavior and tactics towards developing countries: case of Central Asia under the Belt and Road Initiative (BRI)**

Author: Marat Uraimov (Budapest Business School)

**REG-02 ROUNDTABLE: DISCUSSING CENTRAL ASIA IN CONTEXT, PART 2**

Chair: Laura Adams

Discussant: N/A

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**Martha Merrill** (Kent State University) - panellist

**Julie McBrien** (Amsterdam) - panellist

**Eric McGlinchey** (George Mason University) - panellist

**Victoria Clement** (Marine Corps University) - panellist

**David Montgomery** (University of Maryland) - panellist

**Jennifer Wistrand** (Georgetown University) – panellist

**Thursday, October 10**

**17:00-18:45**

**Panel session 3**

**HIS-16 THE POLITICS OF HISTORY IN CONTEMPORARY EURASIA**

Chair: Alina Bissenova

Discussant: Alina Bissenova

Room 303A: **Thu 10th Oct, 17:00-18:45**

**Lasting Impact of Dzungar Genocide**

Author: Jacob Rowe (Northfield High School)

**Anti-nation Nationalism? Contradictions and Nuances in the Texts of so-called Nationalists**

Author: Michael Hancock-Parmer (Ferrum College)

**In the name of the Father: on the Making of Astana and some Constitutional Issues in post-Soviet Kazakhstan, 1994-2000**

Author: Nariman Shelekpayev (Sciences Po Paris)

**LIT-03 REPRESENTATIONS OF SELF AND OTHER IN KAZAKH LITERATURE**

Chair: Christopher Fort

Discussant: Emily Laskin

IMES Conference Room 512: **Thu 10th Oct, 17:00-18:45**

**The Unknowable, Known: Abai Zholy and the Soviet Representation of Tsarist Colonial Knowledge**

Author: Gabriel McGuire (Nazarbayev University)

**The Kazakh repatriation from China in late 1950s and early 1960s: comparing official and literary discourses**

Authors: Didar Kassymova (KIMEP university); Kydyrali Orazuly

**Ethnic Words and Soviet Things: Coming to Terms with Soviet Civilization in Esenberlin's Kōšpendiler.**

Author: Christopher Baker (American University of Central Asia)

**POL-16 INFORMALITY AND LOCAL GOVERNANCE**

Chair: Azamat Sakiev

Discussant: Azamat Sakiev

Sigur Center Conference Room 503: **Thu 10th Oct, 17:00-18:45**

**Is Central Asia wobbly again?**

Author: Alisher Khamidov

**'Glocality' of civil society in Tajikistan**

Author: Jafar Usmanov (University of Bonn)

**Informality and Welfare in a Post-Soviet City**

Author: Ajar Chekirova (Lake Forest College)

**Open Government and Citizen Engagement in Central Asia: A Tale of two incidents in Kazakhstan.**

Author: Bakhytzhan Kurmanov (Nazarbayev University)

**REG-01 ROUNDTABLE: DISCUSSING CENTRAL ASIA IN CONTEXT, PART 1**

Chair: David Montgomery

Discussant: N/A

Voesar Conference Room 412: **Thu 10th Oct, 17:00-18:45**

**Jennifer Murtazashvili - panellist**

Author: Jennifer Murtazashvili (University of Pittsburgh)

**Scott Levi - panellist**

Author: Scott Levi (Ohio State University)

**Ali Igmen - panellist**

Author: Ali Igmen (California State University, Long Beach)

**Eva-Marie Dubuisson - panellist**

Author: Eva-Marie Dubuisson (Nazarbayev University)

**REL-05 RELIGION, MORALITY AND VALUES IN EURASIA**

Chair: Marlene Laruelle

Discussant: Daniel Scarborough

State Room (7<sup>th</sup> floor): **Thu 10th Oct, 17:00-18:45**

**Constructing Russkii Islam: Discursive Strategies of Russian Muslim converts**

Author: Gulnaz Sibgatullina (Leiden University)

**"Good life spoils children": work as part of good tarbiya in Kyrgyzstan**

Author: Baktygul Tulebaeva (Goethe University Frankfurt am Main)

**Polar Islam: Muslim Communities in Russia's Arctic Cities**

Author: Marlene Laruelle (George Washington University)

**POL-05 CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES OF FINDING REGIONALISM IN EURASIA**

Chair: Ulugbek Khasanov

Discussant: Ulugbek Khasanov

City View Room (7<sup>th</sup> floor): **Thu 10th Oct, 17:00-18:45**

**Decoloniality Of Historical Knowledge And Intercultural "Dahlez"**

Author: Nargis Nurulla (Tajikistan National University)

**D. Trump's presidency and the implementation of the Chinese BRI in Central Asia**

Author: Akram Umarov (University of World Economy and Diplomacy)

**Transformation of the US foreign policy in the EaP region**

Author: Ruben Elamiryan (Russian-Armenian University)

**Panel session 4****ANT-04 RELIGIOUS PLURALISATION IN URBAN ENVIRONMENT, PART I**

Chair: Ketevan Khutsishvili

Discussant: Tomohiko Uyama

Sigur Center Conference Room 503: **Fri 11th Oct, 09:00-10:45****Multiple altars: religious pluralization in a post-secular city?**

Author: Tsylyma Darieva (Centre for East European and international Studies)

**Exploring Urban Christian Communities in Baku: Plurality and Fluidity**

Author: Yuliya Aliyeva (ADA University)

**Being Successful in a Muslim Way: the Market for Islamic Coaching in Eurasia**

Author: Alima Bissenova (Nazarbayev University)

**The rapprochement between the secular and religious opposition and the evolution of ideas of democracy, secularism and state-religion separation in the narratives of the Islamic movement in Azerbaijan**

Author: Murad Ismayilov (University of Cambridge)

**CUL-01 AUTHOR-CRITIC FORUM: CINEMA, NATION, AND EMPIRE IN UZBEKISTAN, BY CLOÉ DRIEU**

Chair: Ali Igmen

Discussant: N/A

IIEP Conference Room 501: **Fri 11th Oct, 09:00-10:45****Cloe Drieu (CNRS) – author****Claire Roosien (Yale University) - panellist****Naomi Caffee (Reed College) - panellist****Jeff Sahadeo (Carleton University)- panellist****ECO-02 DYNAMICS IN THE EURASIAN ECONOMIC UNION**

Chair: Alfinura Sharafeyeva

Discussant: Alfinura Sharafeyeva

Room B17: **Fri 11th Oct, 09:00-10:45****Small and Medium Sized Enterprises' Access to Banking Finance within Eurasian Economic Union**

Author: Nargiza Alymkulova (Ala-Too International University)

**Effect of Integration on Central Asia countries and Azerbaijan**

Author: Elmir Mukhtarov (Economir.com)

**Banking on Reform: The Institutions, Policies, and Practices of the Uzbek Banking Sector, and the Role of the Banking Sector in Economic Growth, Change, & Development**

Author: Robert Scott Richards (responsAbility Investments AG)

**EDU-06 WORKSHOP: INTERACTIVE, PARTICIPATORY, AND PRACTICAL LEGAL EDUCATION: A WORKSHOP DEMONSTRATING STREET LAW IN UZBEKISTAN**

Chair: Ben Perdue

Discussant: N/A

Room 303A: **Fri 11th Oct, 09:00-10:45****Ben Perdue - Workshop facilitator**

Author: Ben Perdue (Street Law, Inc.)

**HIS-03 THE MONGOLS AND THEIR NEIGHBORS IN WEST AND CENTRAL ASIA**

Chair: Anne Broadbridge

Discussant: Stefan Kamola

Room 505: **Fri 11th Oct, 09:00-10:45**

**A Mongol in the Cairo Mint**

Author: Judith Kolbas (Miami University)

**The Mongol Identity of the Turkic Nomad Elites of the Mongol Successor States in Post-Mongol Central Asia and the Qipchaq Steppe**

Author: Joo-Yup Lee (University of Toronto)

**The Poetry of "Frik" and the Construction of a Mongol Legacy in the Armenian Memory**

Author: Armen Abkarian (University of Michigan)

**HIS-14 THE RUSSIAN GAZE: IMPERIAL POLITICS AND KNOWLEDGE OF CENTRAL ASIA, THE CAUCASUS, AND IRAN**

Chair: Adeeb Khalid

Discussant: Adeeb Khalid

Voesar Conference Room 412: **Fri 11th Oct, 09:00-10:45**

**Russian administration in the Transcaspian region as a way to adapt the region to the general imperial conditions**

Author: Dmitry Vasilyev (Moscow City University)

**The Caucasus in the Russian Mind: Imagining the Caucasus in Russian Imperial Consciousness: 1801-1864**

Author: Mikail Mamedov (Georgetown University)

**The economic situation in the Turkestan Governor-General during the First World War**

Author: Bakhtyor Alimdjanov (N/A)

**LAN-01 CAUCASIAN LINGUISTICS**

Chair: Tinatin Bolkvadze

Discussant: N/A

Space Institute Room 403: **Fri 11th Oct, 09:00-10:45**

**Towards to the genesis of the lateral phonemes in Ibero-Caucasian Languages**

Author: Nodar Ardoteli

**Transliteration rules for sound systems of UN official and working languages into Georgian**

Author: Tinatin Bolkvadze (Tbilisi Ivane Javakishvili State University)

**On teaching and learning languages**

Author: Elza Imnadze (Ilia State University)

**Tactile Systems and GeoLorm**

Author: Tamar Makharoblidze (Ilia State University)

**POL-02 ROUNDTABLE: ISLAMIC REVIVAL AND POLITICAL ISLAM? EXAMINING ISLAM AND POLITICS ACROSS CENTRAL ASIA**

Chair: Robin Schulman

Discussant: N/A

Room 113: **Fri 11th Oct, 09:00-10:45**

**Kathleen Collins** (University of Minnesota) - panellist

**Mariya Omelicheva** (National Defense University) - panellist

**David Montgomery** (University of Maryland) - panellist

**Edward Lemon** (Daniel Morgan Graduate School) - panellist

**POL-19 NATIONHOOD: TOP-DOWN AND BOTTOM-UP**

Chair: Diana Kudaibergenova

Discussant: Diana Kudaibergenova

Room 213: **Fri 11th Oct, 09:00-10:45**

**Citizens' Continued (Dis-) Belief in Kazakhstan's state-led National Identity Narratives**

Author: Jasmin Dall'Agnola (Oxford Brookes University)

**Kyrgyzstan's Nation Branding Attempts After Independence (1991-2018)**

Author: Venera Narinova (Kyrgyz-Turkish Manas University)

**Identity and Perceptions of the State in Everyday Interactions in Afghanistan**

Author: Mohsen Jalali (University of Massachusetts Amherst)

**Health and Social Stability in Turkmenistan. Exploring the Multidimensional Stakes of Political Authoritarianism**

Author: Sebastien Peyrouse (George Washington University)

**POL-20: RFE/RL MAJLIS PODCAST: THE ROLE OF WOMEN IN GOVERNANCE AND POLITICAL LANDSCAPE OF POST-SOVIET CENTRAL ASIA**

Chair: Muhammad Tahir

Discussant: Muhammad Tahir

City View Room (7<sup>th</sup> floor): **Fri 11th Oct, 09:00-10:45****Bruce Pannier** (RFE/RL Central Asia) - **panelist****Jennifer Murtazashvili** (University of Pittsburgh) - **panelist****Sarah Hummel** (Harvard University) - **panelist****Umida Hashimova** (CNA Corporation) – **panellist****Panel session 5****ANT-05 RELIGIOUS PLURALISATION IN URBAN ENVIRONMENT PART II**

Chair: Medea Badashvili

Discussant: Julie McBrien

Sigur Center Conference Room 503: **Fri 11th Oct, 11:00-12:45****Plural or parallel spaces: construction of religious landscapes in urban environment**

Author: Ketevan Khutsishvili (Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University)

**The Representation of the Religious Pluralism in the Urban Space of Post Socialist Rustavi**

Author: Tea Kamushadze (Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University)

**The Interaction of Orthodox Georgians and Muslim Chinese in the Caucasus**

Author: Susanne Fehlings (Goethe University Frankfurt am Main)

**ANT-06 PRECARIOUS LABOR: POLITICAL ECONOMY, GENDER, AND SUBJECTIVITY IN CENTRAL ASIA**

Chair: Regine Spector

Discussant: Regine Spector

Voesar Conference Room 412: **Fri 11th Oct, 11:00-12:45****'Cheap labour' in Uzbekistan's political economy**

Author: Franco Galdini (The University of Manchester)

**(Un)Becoming Azamat: Subjectivity After a Hunger Strike in Aqtau, Kazakhstan**

Author: Maurizio Totaro (University of Ghent)

**Laboring Women in Kazakhstan: precarity, protest, and pronatalism**

Author: Laura Tourtellotte (Boston University)

**(Man)power to the agencies: Precarious labor in Kazakhstan's oil sector**

Author: Paolo Sorbello (University of Glasgow)

**HIS-04 GENDER, POLITICS, MARRIAGE AND CHILDREN IN THE MONGOL EMPIRE**

Chair: Stefan Kamola

Discussant: Christopher Atwood

Room 303A: **Fri 11th Oct, 11:00-12:45****Secondary Wives of Chinggisid Princes and the Lost History of the Dispossessed**

Author: Anne Broadbridge (University of Massachusetts)

**The Marital Ties that Bind: Chinggisids, Tribal Leaders, and the State**

Author: Uli Schamiloglu (Nazarbayev University)

**Raising Warriors: Militarization And The Female Children Of The Mongol Empire.**

Author: Sally Greenland (Columbia University)

**HIS-13 VISIONS OF MODERNITY AND ISLAMIC REFORM ACROSS EURASIA IN THE LATE 19TH AND EARLY 20TH CENTURIES**

Chair: Ali Igmen

Discussant: Ali Igmen

Room 505: **Fri 11th Oct, 11:00-12:45****Traveling to Modernity: Perception of Modernity of the Central Asian Muslims in the early 20th century**

Author: Dilnoza Jamalova (Institute of History of Academy of Uzbekistan)

**The Snows of Urumchi: Chinese Modernity in Republican-era Xinjiang**

Author: Preston Decker (University of Kansas)

**Islamic Law in Reformist Tatar Literature**

Author: Mustafa Gökçek (Niagara University)

**LIT-01 ORAL LITERATURE IN TRANSLATION**

Chair: Gabriel McGuire

Discussant: Virginia Martin

Space Institute Room 403: **Fri 11th Oct, 11:00-12:45****Poem "Kenesary-nauryzbai" Nysanbai-zhirau: The Truth Or A Myth**

Author: Meiramgul Kussainova (Nazarbayev University)

**"The Aitys of Birzhan and Sara: a young woman's voice in Kazakh oral literature"**

Author: Eva-Marie Dubuisson (Nazarbayev University)

**Death Scenes and Narrative Form in Kazakh Oral Epic: Tölegen and Qyz Zhibek**

Author: Gabriel McGuire (Nazarbayev University)

**POL-06 ROUNDTABLE: AMERICA IN CENTRAL ASIA: STILL RELEVANT? WHAT ROLES?**

Chair: Navbahor Imamova

Discussant: N/A

City View Room (7<sup>th</sup> floor): **Fri 11th Oct, 11:00-12:45****Pamela Spratlen** (Former U.S. Ambassador to Uzbekistan and Kyrgyzstan) – **panellist****George Krol** (Former U.S. Ambassador to Kazakhstan and Uzbekistan) – **panellist****Laura Kennedy** (Former U.S. Ambassador to Turkmenistan) – **panellist****POL-18 CIVIL SOCIETY AND IDENTITIES IN TAJIKISTAN AND KYRGYZSTAN**

Chair: Alisher Khamidov

Discussant: Alisher Khamidov

Room 212: **Fri 11th Oct, 11:00-12:45**

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**Bifurcated Ethnicities: Identity Perception among Young Uzbeks in Osh**

Author: Sahib Jafarov (University of Toronto)

**Civil society in Tajikistan: problems and perspectives**

Author: Mukhsin Rakhimov (Tajik Technical University)

**Who Belongs in "Our Common Home": Public Education's Role in Shaping Ethnic and Civic Identities in Kyrgyzstan**

Author: Colleen Wood (Columbia University)

**Re-Orientalizing Central Asia: Role of Russian Media in Construction and Negotiation of Identity in Tajikistan**

Author: Tahmina Inoyatova (Simon Fraser University)

**REL-04 RELIGION, YOUTH AND CHANGE IN KAZAKHSTAN AND KYRGYZSTAN**

Chair: Martha Merrill

Discussant: N/A

Room 213: **Fri 11th Oct, 11:00-12:45**

**Muslim education in the modern Kyrgyzstan**

Author: Esenjan Abubakirov (State Committee for Industry, Energy and Subsoil Use of the Kyrgyz Republic)

**Monopoly of the Traditional. Discourse Analysis of the 2014 Religion Policy in Kyrgyzstan**

Author: Nursultan Abdilov (N/A)

**Salafism and a religious identity of Kazakhstani youth**

Author: Mukhtar Senggirbay (Suleyman Demirel University)

**Irreligion in Kazakhstan and Kyrgyzstan through the Lens of Public Opinion Surveys**

Author: Azamat Junisbai (Pitzer College)

**Friday, October 11**

**14:00-15:45**

**Panel session 6**

**ANT-03 CAUCASIAN FOLKLORE**

Chair: Tamar Makharoblidze

Discussant: N/A

Sigur Center Conference Room 503: **Fri 11th Oct, 14:00-15:45**

**Christ as the Sun God and the Seasons in Medieval Georgian Spirituality**

Author: Mariam Gvelesiani (Georgian National Museum)

**The Sarmatian Connection Reconsidered: The Pursue of the Doe in the Caucasian Nart Epic, in the Hungarian Origin Myth and in the Arthurian Legends**

Author: Attila Mateffy (University of Bonn)

**Images of Remembrance: Gravestones and Photographs in Late Nineteenth-Century Southern Georgia**

Author: Giorgi Papashvili (Tbilisi State Academy of Art)

**CUL-03 ARTS, CRAFTS AND CULTURE IN CENTRAL EURASIA**

Chair: N/A

Discussant: Aisalkyn Botoeva and Regine Spector

Voesar Conference Room 412: **Fri 11th Oct, 14:00-15:45**

**Plebiscite of Turkmen nation of artisans**

Author: Snezhana Atanova (INALCO)

**Ownership and authenticity of Uyghur handicraft**

Author: Mei Ding (Fudan University)

**Power, Nation and Women in Central Asia**

Author: Diana T. Kudaibergenova (University of Cambridge)

**ENE-01 ENVIRONMENT, DEVELOPMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY IN EURASIA**

Chair: Aisuluu Duishebaeva

Discussant: Jeanine Dayyeli

Room 211: **Fri 11th Oct, 14:00-15:45**

**Beekeeping development in KR as a positive impact on the environment**

Author: Kaiyrkul Kazylaeva (Agroway LLC)

**Issues on diet quality and food safety in the Kyrgyz Republic**

Author: Bermet Dzhurupova (Kyrgyz Economic Univesity)

**Beckoning fortune and ensuring morality: domestic waste trajectory through yurts and camps in Mongolian countryside**

Author: Anna Dupuy (Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales, EHESS)

**Ambiguities of Renewable Electricity: Globalized Hydropower Contestation in Georgia**

Author: Regine Spector (University of Massachusetts-Amherst)

**HIS-05 ROUNDTABLE: TOWARDS AN UNDERSTANDING OF THE NOMADIC CAMP, FROM THE MONGOL EMPIRE TO THE PRESENT**

Chair: Ruth Dunnell

Discussant: N/A

Room 505: **Fri 11th Oct, 14:00-15:45**

**Stefan Kamola - panellist**

Author: Stefan Kamola (Eastern Connecticut State University)

**Nurten Kilic-Schubel - panellist**

Author: Nurten Kilic-Schubel (Kenyon College)

**Sally Greenland - panellist**

Author: Sally Greenland (Columbia University)

**Uli Scahmiloglu - panellist**

Author: Uli Schamiloglu (Nazarbayev University)

**Anne Broadbridge - panellist**

Author: Anne Broadbridge (University of Massachusetts)

**HIS-17 DIASPORA, MIGRATION AND RESISTANCE IN EURASIA**

Chair: Michael Hancock-Parmer

Discussant: Selcuk Esenbel

Room 303A: **Fri 11th Oct, 14:00-15:45**

**Imperial landscapes in late nineteenth - early twentieth century Eurasia: Kazan on the Volga**

Author: Gulchachak Nugmanova (Research Institute of Theory and History of Architecture and Town Pkanning)

**Social Disorder in Imperial Ferghana, 1905-1907**

Author: Yulia Uryadova (Longwood University)

**Tatar emigration into the East Asia in the 20th century**

Author: Larisa Usmanova (Russian State University for Humanities)

**Journey Through Cultures: Tatar Migration from Japan to Turkey as Reflected in Diary Notes**

Author: Liaisan Sahin (Marmara University)

**LIT-02 LITERATURE AND IDENTITY: HISTORICAL MODELS AND NEW CONFIGURATIONS 1900-1940**

Chair: Christopher Baker

Discussant: Diana Kudaibergenova

Space Institute Room 403: **Fri 11th Oct, 14:00-15:45**

**Deconstructing Soviet Literary Construction: The Making of Uzbek Socialist Realism's First Classic, Hamza Hakimzoda Niyoziy's *The Rich Man and the Servant* (1918-1939)**

Author: Christopher Fort (University of Michigan)

**Locating Central Asia in Abdulrauf Fitrat's *Tales of an Indian Traveler***

Author: Emily Laskin (University of California Berkeley)

**Women, Textiles, and the Textile-Text in 1930s Central Asia**

Author: Claire Roosien (Yale University)

**MED-02 MEDIA LITERACY, FAKE NEWS AND MEDIA EDUCATION IN CENTRAL ASIA**

Chair: Jack Hodgson

Discussant: Karlyga Myssayeva

Room B17: **Fri 11th Oct, 14:00-15:45**

**Problems of Native Language Journalism in Central Asia**

Author: Elmurat Ashiraliev (The George Washington University)

**How to integrate educational games in the media literacy class**

Author: Galiya Ibrayeva (Al-Farabi Kazakh National University)

**Integrating Digital and Media Literacy into Curriculum of Universities in Kyrgyzstan**

Author: Elira Turdubaeva (American university of Central Asia)

**Uzbek Media: Traditional versus New**

Author: Navbahor Imamova (Voice of America)

**Media literacy in Turkmenistan**

Author: Oguljamal Yazliyeva (Charles University, Prague)

**MIG-01 THE EFFECTS OF MIGRATION IN CENTRAL ASIA**

Chair: António Eduardo Mendonça

Discussant: António Eduardo Mendonça

Room 112: **Fri 11th Oct, 14:00-15:45**

**Parental labor migration and educational attainment in Kyrgyzstan: An analysis of the data from the National Assessment of Educational Achievement**

Author: Todd Drummond (American Institutes for Research)

**The deportation regime: migrants outside the law in Russia**

Author: Izatullo Kholov (Independent Scholar)

**Coverage of migration processes and the image of a migrant in the media (on the example of Kazakhstan and Russia)**

Authors: Marlan Negizbayeva (al-Farabi Kazakh National University); Saida Negizbayeva (Narxoz University)

**POL-03 THE (POST-) IMPERIAL POLITICS OF SECURITY, STABILITY AND ORDER IN CENTRAL ASIA**

Chair: Edward Lemon

Discussant: Philipp Lottholz

City View Room (7<sup>th</sup> floor): **Fri 11th Oct, 14:00-15:45**

**From Wahhabism to Salafism: the threat of non-traditional religious movements in Central Asia**

Author: H  l  ne Thibault (Nazarbayev University)

**The policy of "authoritarian participation" in Kazakhstan and the role of international organizations: Pulling together in different directions?**

Author: Sebastian Schiek (German Institute for International and Security Affairs)

**Rebuilding Leviathan - perspectives on the state and its transformation in the post-soviet transition**

Author: Medet Tiulegenov (American University of Central Asia)

**POL-14 REGIME THEORIES AND GOVERNANCE IN CENTRAL ASIA**

Chair: Assel Tutumlu

Discussant: Assel Tutumlu

Room 113: **Fri 11th Oct, 14:00-15:45**

**Local governance, legitimacy, and social extraction: survey evidence from Uzbekistan**

Author: Jennifer Murtazashvili (University of Pittsburgh)

**Authoritarianism and Nationalism in Central Asia in the Era of Global Crisis of Democracy: Do Political Regime and Foreign Relations Correlate?**

Author: Tomohiko Uyama (Hokkaido University)

**Representation in the Kyrgyz Jogorku Kenesh**

Author: Sarah Hummel (Harvard University)

**The Big Year? Uzbekistan's Democratic Reforms on the Eve of Parliamentary Elections**

Author: Anthony Bowyer (International Foundation for Electoral Systems (IFES))

**Panel session 7****EDU-05 HIGHER EDUCATION AND RESEARCH: CHALLENGES OF TRANSFORMATIONS**

Chair: Christopher Whitsel

Discussant: Christopher Whitsel

Room 214: **Sat 12th Oct, 09:00-10:45****Can the playing field be levelled? Negotiating international research collaborations in Tajikistan**

Author: Emma Sabzalieva (University of Toronto)

**Research and Teaching Self-Efficacy of University Faculty: Relations with Job Satisfaction**

Author: Khayala Ismayilova and Robert M. Klassen (University of York)

**Higher education engaging with the Sustainable Development Goals: Views of academics from Georgia and Kazakhstan**

Authors: Maia Chankseliani (University of Oxford); Dilbar Gimranova (KAZGUU University); Ikboljon Qoraboyev (KAZGUU University)

**ENE-02 ROUNDTABLE: SOURCES AND SCALES OF RESEARCH ON CENTRAL ASIAN ENVIRONMENTS**

Chair: Jeanne Féaux de la Croix

Discussant: N/A

Room 211: **Sat 12th Oct, 09:00-10:45****Akira Ueda** (Institute of Developing Economics, JETRO) - **panelist****Michael Brody** (American University) - **panellist****Eva-Marie Dubuisson** (Nazarbayev University) - **panellist****Amanda Wooden** (Bucknell University) - **panellist****Jeanine Dagyeli** (Nazarbayev University) - **panellist****GEN-02 GENDER, NORMS AND DEVIANCE**

Chair: Shahnoza Nozimova

Discussant: Svetlana Peshkova

Room 212: **Sat 12th Oct, 09:00-10:45****'Woman of the East': reflections on the (post)Soviet gendered racial grammar**

Author: Tatsiana Shchurko (The Ohio State University)

**The 'Good' and the 'Bad' Women of Kyrgyzstan: Analysing Intra-Movement Reactions to 8/03 Feminist March**

Author: Syinat Sultanalieva (University of Tsukuba)

**Locating Traces of Gender 'Deviance' in Kazakhstan's History and Folklore**

Author: Zhanar Sekerbayeva (University of Tsukuba)

**Changing landscape of legal gender recognition in post-Soviet space**

Author: Yana Kirey-Sitnikova

**HIS-11 BOOK IN PROGRESS: COLLAPSE AND RE-BIRTH: A LIVING ARCHIVE ON THE END OF THE USSR AND AFTERWARD**

Chair: George Krol

Discussant: Paul Goble

Room 505: **Sat 12th Oct, 09:00-10:45****Ferghana "riots" (1989)**

Authors: Ulugbek Khasanov (University of World Economics &amp; Diplomacy); Mason Jacobs (Michigan State University)

**Collapse and Re-Birth: A Living Archive on the End of the USSR and Afterward**

Authors: Michael Downs (Michigan State University); Nargis Kassenova (Harvard University)

**The January 1991 Events in Lithuania**

Authors: Brigid McBride (Michigan State University); Martha Olcott (Michigan State University)

**Collapse and Rebirth - Black January in Baku**

Authors: Sofia Cupal and Matthew Zierler (Michigan State University)

**ISR-01 ROUNDTABLE: THE CENTRAL ASIA SCHOLAR WITH A THOUSAND FACES: WHO ARE WE IN THE 21ST CENTURY?**

Chair: Jeroen Van den Bosch

Discussant: N/A

Room B12: **Sat 12th Oct, 09:00-10:45**

**Rico Isaacs** (University of Lincoln) - panellist

**Slavomir Horak** (Charles University, Prague) - panellist

**Adrien Fauve** (Paris-Sud University) - panellist

**Sebastien Peyrouse** (George Washington University) - panellist

**Erica Marat** (National Defense University) - panellist

**MIG-02 BORDERS, MIGRATION AND GENDER IN EURASIAN SPATIALITIES**

Chair: Asel Murzakulova

Discussant: Jeanne Feaux de la Croix

Room B16: **Sat 12th Oct, 09:00-10:45**

**How to build neighbourship when the border guard asks for a passport? Security dilemma of the border communities in Kyrgyzstan-Tajikistan borderland**

Author: Asel Murzakulova (UCA)

**Peacebuilding and patriarchal norms: the role of women in sustaining peace at the border communities of Ferghana valley**

Author: Diana Mamatova (UN Women)

**Women economic empowerment in Afghanistan**

Authors: Madina Junussova (University of Central Asia); Mariia Iamshchikova (University of Central Asia)

**POL-04 UNINTENDED CONSEQUENCES: DEBT, CORRUPTION AND THE EFFECT OF WESTERN SANCTIONS AGAINST RUSSIA ON EURASIA**

Chair: Mariya Omelicheva

Discussant: Mariya Omelicheva

Voesar Conference Room 412: **Sat 12th Oct, 09:00-10:45**

**Russian Foreign and Security Policy towards Eurasia Five Years into Western Sanctions**

Author: Stacy Closson (American University)

**Did sanctions reduce capital flows to Russia? Evidence from bilateral data**

Author: Iikka Korhonen (Bank of Finland)

**Patron's Largess and Fiscal Governance: Regional Debt in the Russian Federation**

Authors: Mikhail Ivonchik (University of Georgia); Kenneth Kriz (University of Illinois - Springfield); Tima T. Moldogaziev (Pennsylvania State University)

**How Much Does Corruption Cost Russia and the C.I.S.?**

Author: George Wright (University of Washington)

**REG-04 ROUNDTABLE: HOW HAVE BUREAUCRATIC ELITES NAVIGATED LEADERSHIP TRANSITIONS IN UZBEKISTAN AND KAZAKHSTAN?**

Chair: Navbahor Imamova

Discussant: N/A

Room 213: **Sat 12th Oct, 09:00-10:45**

**Umida Hashimova - panellist**

Author: Umida Hashimova (CNA Corporation)

**Rafael Sattarov - panellist**

Author: Rafael Sattarov (Carnegie Moscow Center)

**Navbahor Imamova - panellist**

Author: Navbahor Imamova (Voice of America)

**REL-01 SACRED GEOGRAPHIES, STATES AND RELIGION IN KAZAKHSTAN AND TAJIKISTAN**

Chair: Marianne Kamp

Discussant: Eren Tasar

Room 112: **Sat 12th Oct, 09:00-10:45**

**Folk Orthodoxy in Kazakhstan: The Sacred Spring at Kosmos**

Author: Daniel Scarborough (Nazarbayev University)

**Shrines and the State in Tajikistan**

Author: Benjamin Gatling (George Mason University)

**Saintly hagiographies in contemporary Kazakhstan: books about Beket-Ata**

Author: Ulan Bigozhin (Nazarbayev University)

**SOC-03 PSYCHOLOGICAL WELL-BEING AS A HUMAN RIGHT: THE ISSUES OF INDIVIDUAL RESPONSIBILITY AND SOCIAL ENVIRONMENT IN KYRGYZSTAN**

Chair: Nina Bagdasarova

Discussant: N/A

Room 111: **Sat 12th Oct, 09:00-10:45**

**Understanding of psychological well-being of older women by care providers and relatives.**

Author: Elena Kosterina (American University in Central Asia)

**Access to sex education and psychological wellbeing among vulnerable social groups in Kyrgyzstan**

Author: Mohira Suyarkulova (American University of Central Asia)

**Understanding of psychological well-being of people with mental disorders among service providers in Kyrgyzstan**

Author: Nina Bagdasarova (American University of Central Asia)

**Panel session 8****EDU-03 EDUCATIONAL INEQUALITY AND EXPERIENCES: PERSPECTIVES FROM TWENTIETH CENTURY TO INDEPENDENCE**

Chair: Martha Merril

Discussant: Martha Merril

Room 214: **Sat 12th Oct, 11:00-12:45**

**Me and My School: Reflections of Literacy and School Experience from Early Twentieth Century Uzbekistan**

Author: Donohon Abdugafurova (Emory University)

**Language-based educational inequality in the former Soviet Union**

Author: Aizat Nurshatayeva (University of Pittsburgh)

**English language proficiency and attitudes towards Language Policy with English**

Author: Askarbek Mambetaliev (University of Pannonia)

**HIS-15 THE MAKING AND UNMAKING OF SOVIET COMMUNITY: FROM COLLECTIVISATION TO PERESTROIKA**

Chair: Ali Igmen

Discussant: Ali Igmen

Room 505: **Sat 12th Oct, 11:00-12:45**

**A Tale of Three Generations: Language and Identity among Mixed Families in Soviet Central Asia**

Author: Adrienne Edgar (U.C. Santa Barbara)

**Problematic in Form, Irrelevant in Content? Soviet Propaganda in Kazakhstan, 1929-1939**

Author: Jonathon Dreeze (Ohio State University)

**The Fate of "Affirmative Action": Citizen Letters from Central Asia under Glasnost'**

Author: Anna Whittington (Washington University in St. Louis)

**HIS-18 SOURCES AND METHODOLOGICAL QUESTIONS**

Chair: Eren Tasar

Discussant: Eren Tasar

Room 303A: **Sat 12th Oct, 11:00-12:45**

**Russian factors in Khoqand-Istanbul correspondences: analysis of letters of Khoqand rulers kept in Ottoman archives**

Author: Sherzodhon Mahmudov (Institute of History of the Academy of Sciences of Uzbekistan)

**Diplomats on the Steppe: Ibn Fadlan, the Samanids, and the Rise of the Steppe Road**

Author: Khodadad Rezakhani (Princeton University)

**Some Notes on Manuscript Collections in Azerbaijan**

Author: Nabil Al-Tikriti (University of Mary Washington)

**ISR-02 ROUNDTABLE: THE ROLE OF RESEARCHERS IN HUMAN RIGHTS ACTIVISM**

Chair: Marantha Miles

Discussant: N/A

Room 113: **Sat 12th Oct, 11:00-12:45**

**Steve Swerdlow** (Human Rights Watch) - **panellist**

**Edward Lemon** (Daniel Morgan Graduate School) - **panellist**

**Nate Schenkkan** (Freedom House) - **panellist**

**Sean Roberts** (George Washington University) - **panellist**

**LAN-03 TRILINGUALISM OR NATIVISM? QUESTIONS OF LINGUISTIC POLICIES AND REALITIES IN KAZAKHSTAN**

Chair: Sebastien Peyrouse

Discussant: Sebastien Peyrouse

Room 212: **Sat 12th Oct, 11:00-12:45**

**Three Languages of Business Discourse in Kazakhstan: Achievements, Challenges and What is Next?**

Author: Aliya Aimoldina (Kazakhstan Branch of Lomonosov Moscow State University)

**Kazakhstan's Trinity Language Program - A Model of Success or Failure?**

Author: Jill Neuendorf (Georgetown University)

**The influence of languages use on the maintenance of Kazakh community in multilingual society i.e. London**

Author: Gulnaz Kalambayeva (Nazarbayev University)

**Task-based language learning and code-switching as the effective communicative approaches in Kazakh language teaching**

Author: Samal Abzhanova (Nazarbayev University)

**MIG-04 MIGRATION, TRANSNATIONALISM AND CENTRAL ASIANS ACROSS BORDERS**

Chair: Todd Drummond

Discussant: Todd Drummond

Room B16: **Sat 12th Oct, 11:00-12:45****Central Asian migrants in Portugal: two case studies**

Author: António Eduardo Mendonça (Universidade de Lisboa, Portugal)

**Exploring Religiosity Among Kyrgyz Migrants in the United States**

Authors: Saltanat Liebert (Virginia Commonwealth University); David Webber (Virginia Commonwealth University)

**The role of Afghanistani diaspora associations in the reproduction of ethnic identities and the creation of a new sense of home in Hamburg-Germany**

Author: Ahmad Javeed Ahwar (Nazarbayev University)

**No Way Back: The Predicament of Tajik Asylum Seekers in Europe**

Authors: Alexander Maier (Columbia University); Yan Matusевич (CUNY)

**POL-07 ROUNDTABLE: KAZAKHSTAN AFTER NAZARBAYEV**

Chair: Ed Schatz

Discussant: N/A

Room 213: **Sat 12th Oct, 11:00-12:45****Eric McGlinchey** (George Mason University) - panellist**Azamat Junisbai** (Pitzer College) - panellist**Nargis Kassenova** (Harvard University) - panellist**REL-02 ISLAM IN TATARSTAN: OLD "FRIENDS" AND NEW TRENDS**

Chair: Liliya Karimova

Discussant: Svetlana Peshkova

Room 112: **Sat 12th Oct, 11:00-12:45****Islam and the State through the Lens of the Halal industry: the Case of Tatarstan**

Author: Azat Akhunov (Institute of Social and Philosophical Sciences and Mass Communications, Kazan Federal University)

**The Revival of Sufism in Tatarstan: a Tradition, an Export, or an Expansion?**

Author: Rezeda Safiullina-Ibragimova

**Bridging the gap between theology and Islamic practice in Tatarstan: The case of the Bolgar Islamic Academy**

Author: Bulat Akhmetkarimov (Kazan Federal University)

**Keeping it real: changing gender dynamics among practicing Muslims in present-day Tatarstan, Russia**

Author: Liliya Karimova (NVCC, Annandale)

**SOC-04 SPACES, NATIONS AND MINORITIES IN CENTRAL ASIA**

Chair: Nora Webb Williams

Discussant: Nora Webb Williams

Room B12: **Sat 12th Oct, 11:00-12:45****Could we talk about ethnic Kazakh multicultural identity in Kazakhstan?**

Author: Galym Zhussipbek (Suleyman Demirel atındagy Universitet)

**Role of political entrepreneurs in minority communities**

Author: Zulfıya İmyarova (NARXOZ University)

**Kazakhs and Others: Construction of ethnic identity and ideologies through personal narratives.**

Author: Aisulu Raspayeva (Rice University)

**Creating an image of the nation: Processes of constructing a symbolic landscape in Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan**

Author: Moira O'Shea (University of Chicago)

**ISR-03 WORKSHOP: PUBLISHING IN CENTRAL ASIAN SURVEY: TIPS TO HELP YOU SUCCEED**

Chair: Rico Isaacs and Raphael Jacquet

Discussant: N/A

Voesar Conference Room 412: **Sat 12th Oct, 12:45-14:00**

**Dr Rico Isaacs** (University of Lincoln) - **Editor**, *Central Asian Survey*

**Mr Raphael Jacquet** (SOAS University of London) - **Editorial Manager**, *Central Asian Survey*

**Panel session 9****GEN-01 TRADITIONALISM AND GENDER OBJECTIFICATION**

Chair: Diana Kudaibegrenova

Discussant: Diana Kudaibegrenova

Room 214: **Sat 12th Oct, 14:00-15:45**

**The fearful khan and the delightful beauties: Masculinities and femininities in school textbooks in Kazakhstan**

Authors: Naureen Durrani (Nazarbayev University); Zumrad Kataeva (Nazarbayev University); Assem Seitkhadyrova (Nazarbayev University); Anna CohenMiller

**Fashion in the Fergana Valley: How Tajik national identity in a multinational region manifests in individual dress**

Author: Kayla Kim (University of Oxford)

**From paranji to hijab: transformation of values and identity of Muslim women of the Uzbekistan's traditional society**

Author: Shahnoza Madaeva (National University of Uzbekistan)

**HIS-06 BEYOND STEPPE AND SOWN: SCRAMBLING ETHNO-ECOLOGICAL ASSUMPTIONS IN MEDIEVAL INNER ASIA**

Chair: Christopher P. Atwood

Discussant: Jonathan Schlesinger

Room 303A: **Sat 12th Oct, 14:00-15:45**

**Constructing Identities of the Shatuo Turks: The Myth of Raising Horses and Sheep**

Author: Soojung Han (Princeton University)

**The Ecological, Economic, and Ethno-Cultural Frontiers of North China: Land Usage and Administration in the Kitan Liao and Jurchen Jin**

Author: Zachary Scott Hershey (University of Pennsylvania)

**The irrelevance of ethnicity in the estates of the Chinggis Qan shrine and its ecological implications**

Author: Dotno Pount (University of Pennsylvania)

**LAN-04 LANGUAGE, TEXT AND NARRATION**

Chair: Tinatin Bolkvadze

Discussant: Tinatin Bolkvadze

Voesar Conference Room 412: **Sat 12th Oct, 14:00-15:45**

**The interaction of Modality and Negation in the Georgian Language**

Author: Nino Sharashenidze (I. Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University)

**Early Modern Kyrgyz Oral-derived Narrative Sources**

Author: Daniel Prior (Miami University)

**Language Contact or Dialect Change**

Author: Sharifa Djurabaeva (UMass Lowell)

**Unreconciled narratives of the World War II history in the North Caucasus**

Author: Liudmila Pravikova (Pyatigorsk State University)

**LIT-04 EXPLORING KYRGYZ LITERATURE: FROM MANAS TO CHINGIZ AITMATOV**

Chair: Christopher Fort

Discussant: Christopher Fort

Room 212: **Sat 12th Oct, 14:00-15:45****The uprising of 1916 in Kyrgyz prose**

Author: Nurgul Imanberdieva (Kyrgyz state University them I. Arabaev)

**The hybridity of Chingiz Aitmatov**

Author: Azatkul Kudaibergenova

**Kyrgyz Literature after the demise of Socialist Realism: Representation of Literary Culture in "Asaba" newspaper**

Authors: Mukaram Toktogulova (American University of Central Asia); Elira Turdubaeva (American university of Central Asia)

**Ethnographic and historical realities of the Soviet Union in the works of Chingiz Aitmatov**

Authors: Gulnaz Kalambayeva (Nazarbayev University); Gultas Kurmanbay (Nazarbayev University)

**The peculiarities of sacred symbols in the epic "Manas"**

Author: Indira Musaeva (N/A)

**MED-03 STATE, SURVEILLANCE, INTERNET AND POWER IN EURASIA**

Chair: Erica Marat

Discussant: Edward Schatz

Room B17: **Sat 12th Oct, 14:00-15:45****Ironic Mirrors of Public Discourse: Framing Analysis of Kazakhstani Popular Internet Memes**

Authors: Sholpan Kozhamkulova (University of Maryland); Bobbie Foster (University of Maryland)

**The impact of media literacy in terms of the ability of students to interpret the problem of "fake news" in Kazakhstan**

Author: Karlyga Myssayeva (Al-Farabi Kazakh National University)

**The aftermath of Zhanaozen: state crackdown on independent press and suppression of online activism in Kazakhstan**

Author: Miras Tolepbergen (Shanghai University)

**Technological Solutions for Complex Problems: Emerging Electronic Surveillance Regimes in Eurasian Cities**

Author: Erica Marat (National Defense University)

**POL-15 PARTY POLITICS IN KYRGYZSTAN**

Chair: Michael Rouland

Discussant: N/A

Room 112: **Sat 12th Oct, 14:00-15:45****Preserving Plurality and Political Stability in Kyrgyzstan**

Author: Yunus Emre Gürbüz (Kyrgyz-Turkish Manas University)

**Explaining party mobilization patterns in post-Soviet Kyrgyzstan**

Author: Emir Kulov (American University of Central Asia)

**POL-17 REVERBERATIONS OF THE COLONIAL AND SOVIET PAST IN KAZAKHSTAN AND KYRGYZSTAN**

Chair: Mohira Suyarkulova

Discussant: Mohira Suyarkulova

Room 213: **Sat 12th Oct, 14:00-15:45****Soviet Past and the Teloj of Nation-Building Models in Kazakhstan and Uzbekistan**

Author: Assel Tutumlu (Near East University)

**The Long-term Impact of Russian Colonial Policy on Social Trust in Kazakhstan**

Author: Nora Webb Williams (University of Georgia)

**For Glory in the Fergana: Sacral Rites, Prophetic History, and Disruptive Order in Soviet Kirghizia**

Author: Ismail Shogo (National University of Singapore)

**The Last Days of Kazakh Nomads: The Soviet Power meets the Other**

Authors: Dinara Pisareva (Australian National University), Nygmet Ibadildin (KIMEP University)

**REG-08 ETHNICITIES, IDENTITIES AND SPATIALITIES IN CULTURAL AND SOCIO-POLITICAL REALM OF WIDER EURASIA**

Chair: Jasmin Dall'Agnola

Discussant: Jasmin Dall'Agnola

Room 505: **Sat 12th Oct, 14:00-15:45**

**Constancy and Liminality: The experience of Kazakhstani Koreans**

Author: Elise Ahn (UW-Madison)

**Education and Identity: Who are Afghan Students?**

Author: Sayed Mohammad Mohaqeeq (American University of Afghanistan)

**An Azerbaijani Trope in Alexander Pushkin's Last Fairy Tale**

Author: Murad Jalilov (University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign)

**Translation and the Role of Khidr-Ilyas in Lermontov and Paradjanov's "Ashik-Kerib"**

Author: Peter Orte (University of Hawaii)

**REG-06 UYGHURS, DUNGANS, AND CHINA'S POLICIES**

Chair: Sean Roberts

Discussant: Sean Roberts

Room 211: **Sat 12th Oct, 14:00-15:45**

**Uighurs' experiences under CCP's colonization: the case of Uighur genocide**

Author: Tahir Imin (Uighur times agency)

**Struggles and Dilemmas of Uyghur Immigrants in Turkey**

Author: Mettursun Beydulla (Independent Scholar, Washington, D.C.)

**China's Harsh Rule in Xinjiang and Uyghur Migration**

Authors: Sandeep Sandeep (Jawaharlal Nehru Universtiy); Garima Tomar (Jawaharlal Nehru University)

**Debating the concepts of "frontier genocide" and terra nullius in the Xinjiang context**

Author: Joanne Smith Finley (Newcastle University)

**A Comparative Study of the Highly-educated Muslim Uyghur Immigrants' Identity Reconstruction Experiences in Quebec and English Canada**

Author: Dilmurat Mahmut (Maihemuti Dilimulati)

**Panel session 10**

**GEN-03 WOMEN, AGENCY AND IDENTITY IN CENTRAL ASIA**

Chair: Baktygul Tulebaeva

Discussant: Baktygul Tulebaeva

Room 212: **Sun 13th Oct, 09:00-10:45**

**Understanding female higher education students' experiences in STEM education in Kazakhstan: Challenges and opportunities for retention and progression**

Authors: Olga Bainova (Nazarbayev University); Ainur Almukhambetova (Nazarbayev University)

**Tajikistan's Imagined Women**

Author: Shahnoza Nozimova (George Mason University)

**Women's empowerment and infant complementary feeding in Central Asia**

Author: Dilnovoz Abdurazzakova (Central European University)

**HIS-09 AUTHOR-CRITIC FORUM: EREN TASAR, SOVIET AND MUSLIM: THE INSTITUTIONALIZATION OF ISLAM IN CENTRAL ASIA, BY EREN TASAR**

Chair: Jeff Eden

Discussant: N/A

Room 505: **Sun 13th Oct, 09:00-10:45**

**Eren Tasar** (University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill) – **Author**

**Aisalkyn Botoeva** (American Institutes for Research) - **Panellist**

**Morgan Liu** (The Ohio State University) - **Panellist**

**Ulan Bigozhin** (Nazarbayev University) - **Panellist**

**David Levy** (Department of Justice, Office of Overseas Prosecutorial Development and Training) – **panellist**

**HIS-19 MOVEMENTS ACROSS EURASIA: MIGRATION, TRANSMISSION, AND REFUGE**

Chair: Judith Kolbas

Discussant: Judith Kolbas

Room 213: **Sun 13th Oct, 09:00-10:45**

**Migration processes in Transoxiane in the 9th-12th centuries**

Author: Khusniddin Mamadaliev (Institute of History of the Academy of Sciences of Republic of Uzbekistan)

**The Role of the East European Steppe Frontier and Turko-Mongol Tribal Ethos in Shaping the Institution of Slavery in the Crimean Khanate**

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**The Refugium in Eurasian History: Real or Imagined?**

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**Uighurs as Transmitters of Buddhism: Role of Uighurs in Translation of Buddhist Texts in Western Xia**

Author: Nikita Kuzmin (University of Pennsylvania)

**LAW-02 THE SPECTRUM OF LEGALITIES AND NORMS IN EURASIA**

Chair: Ben Perdue

Discussant: Ben Perdue

Room B17: **Sun 13th Oct, 09:00-10:45**

**Powers and Confrontations: comparative parallel of Central Asian and East Asian Constitutional Courts' approaches in mediating open political conflicts**

Author: Saniia Toktogazieva (American University of Central Asia)

**A Critical Analysis Of The Rome Statute Implementation In Afghanistan**

Author: Mahir Hazim (University of Washington)

**Identifying Barriers to Effective Legal Representation in Kyrgyzstan**

Author: Jasmine Cameron (American Bar Association)

**Status of International Norms in the Domestic Legal System of Azerbaijan**

Author: Ravan Samadov (Baku State University)

**POL-13 REGIONAL CONTEXT AND LOCAL TRANSFORMATIONS IN THE CAUCASUS**

Chair: Tsypylma Darieva

Discussant: N/A

Room 303A: **Sun 13th Oct, 09:00-10:45**

**Political crisis in Armenia in 2018: reasons and consequences**

Author: Hayk Paronyan (Universidad Regional Autónoma de los Andes - UNIANDÉS)

**Support for Civil Society Organizations in Georgia: Looking Back to Move Forward**

Author: Nicole Wright (Elliott School of International Affairs, The George Washington University)

**Promoting Local Government within the Framework of Democracy Promotion Policy**

Author: Zulfiyya Abdurahimova-Carberry (Harvard University)

**REL-03 GEOGRAPHIES OF RELIGIOSITY AND PILGRIMAGE IN CENTRAL EURASIA**

Chair: Donohon Abdugafurova

Discussant: Donohon Abdugafurova

Room B16: **Sun 13th Oct, 09:00-10:45**

**Faxian and the Disciplining of "Asia" and "Buddhism" (1836-1960)**

Author: Matthew King (University of California, Riverside)

**Imams and Poets: Twelver Sunnism in Persianate Khurasan and Transoxiana**

Author: Catherine Ambler (Columbia University)

**Tentative Pilgrimage: Trying on Islam**

Author: Margarethe Adams (Stony Brook)

**SOC-01 AUTHOR-CRITIC FORUM: THE NAZARBAYEV GENERATION. YOUTH IN KAZAKHSTAN, BY MARLENE LARUELLE**

Chair: Marlene Laruelle

Discussant: N/A

Room B12: **Sun 13th Oct, 09:00-10:45**

**Galym Zhussipbek** (Suleyman Demirel atindagy Universitet) - **author**

**Ulan Bigozhin** (Nazarbayev University) - **author**

**Diana Kudaibergenova** (University of Cambridge) - **author**

**Nargis Kassenova** (Harvard University) - **discussant**

**Edward Schatz** (University of Toronto) - **discussant**

**Panel session 11**

**CUL-04 PERFORMING AND NEGOTIATING LOCAL AND GLOBAL IN CONTEMPORARY CENTRAL ASIAN AFFAIRS WITH IDENTITY, ART AND CULTURE**

Chair: Margarethe Adams

Discussant: Margarethe Adams

Room 213: **Sun 13th Oct, 11:00-12:45**

**The Art of Re-building Relationships on the Roof of the World: The Manas epic beyond Kyrgyzstan**

Authors: Julien Bruley (University of Lille); Daler Kaziev (Cornell University)

**Commentaries on the Science of Music from 15th C. Samarqand: 'Abd al-Qādir al-Marāghī on Acoustics of Sound Production**

Author: Mohammad Sadegh Ansari (Columbia University)

**Art Institutions in Time of Hybrid War: Tselinny, ACDF and Garage**

Author: Alexey Ulko

**Decolonizing Uzbek Dance: Honoring the Roots of Gesture**

Author: Laurel Gray (The George Washington University)

**ENE-05 POLITICAL ECONOMY OF MINING AND ENERGY IN THE POST-SOVIET SPACE**

Chair: Maurizio Totaro

Discussant: Maurizio Totaro

Room 211: **Sun 13th Oct, 11:00-12:45**

**Illegal economy of gold mining in Kyrgyzstan**

Author: Gulzat Botoeva (University of Roehampton)

**Uzbekistan's Nuclear Power Program and Its Impact on Regional Politics, Security, and Energy Balance**

Author: Margarita Kalinina-Pohl (Middlebury Institute of International Studies)

**The Glacier had No Name: Gold Mining and Climate Change in Kyrgyzstan**

Author: Amanda Wooden (Bucknell University)

**MED-01 WORKSHOP: TRANSMEDIA STORYTELLING ABOUT WOMEN KILLED DURING THE WAR. FEMICIDE IN THE CONFLICT ZONE - FROM PROJECT IDEA TO A LARGE SOCIAL CAMPAIGN**

Chair: Ia Shalamberidze

Discussant: Tina Tsomaia

Room 303A: **Sun 13th Oct, 11:00-12:45**

**Ia Shalamberidze - workshop facilitator**

Author: Ia Shalamberidze (Georgian Institute of Public Affairs)

**Tina Tsomaia - workshop facilitator**

Author: Tina Tsomaia (Georgian Institute of Public Affairs)

**MIG-03 SPACENESS, MIGRATION AND HUMAN AGENCY**

Chair: Colleen Wood

Discussant: Colleen Wood

Room B16: **Sun 13th Oct, 11:00-12:45**

**Human Agency in Migration: the impact of migration on social identity**

Author: Medea Badashvili (Tbilisi State University)

**Modelling and forecasting the labor market development in the Kyrgyz Republic considering migration outflow**

Authors: Saltanat Biibosunova (Kyrgyz National University named after J. Balasagyn); Kalybek Choroiev (Kyrgyz National University named after J. Balasagyn)

**Uzbek Kinship System and Marriage Patterns in Southern Kyrgyzstan**

Author: Aksana Ismailbekova (Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology)

**REG-09 NATIONS, CITIES AND IDENTITIES IN CENTRAL ASIA**

Chair: Nargis Nurulla-Khodzhaeva

Discussant: Nargis Nurulla-Khodzhaeva

Room B12: **Sun 13th Oct, 11:00-12:45**

**Can Uzbek Cities be Smart? Smart City Developments in Uzbekistan**

Author: Garrett Wolf (University of Manchester)

**Masculinity and Heroes in Modern Uyghur Literature**

Author: Michal Zelcer-Lavid (Bar-Ilan University)

**Urban Reclamation and Citizen Planning in Kazakhstan**

Author: Sara O'Connor (University of California, Irvine)

**The memory of Kazakh`s participation in the WWII in case of national identity of Kazakhstan**

Author: Aliya Akatayeva (Satbayev University)

**SOC-02 BOOK IN PROGRESS: POST-LIBERAL STATE-BUILDING IN CENTRAL ASIA - IMAGINARIES, DISCOURSES AND PRACTICES OF SOCIAL ORDERING IN KYRGYZSTAN, BY PHILIPP LOTTHOLZ**

Chair: Erica Marat

Discussant: N/A

Voesar Conference Room 412: **Sun 13th Oct, 11:00-12:45**

**Philipp Lottholz** (Collaborative Research Centre/Transregio 138 "Dynamics of Security") - **Author**

**Franco Galdini** (The University of Manchester) - **Panellist**

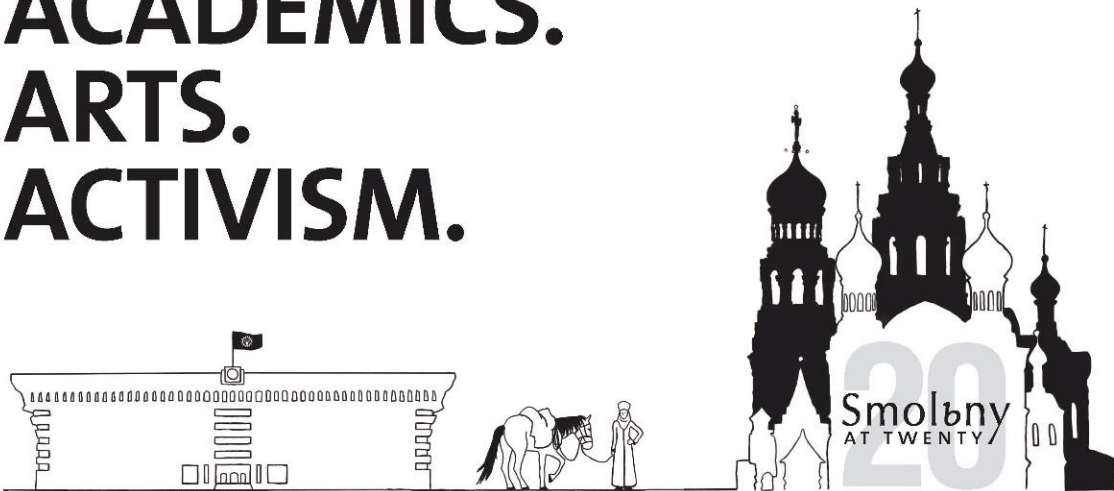
**Aksana Ismailbekova** (Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology) - **Panellist**

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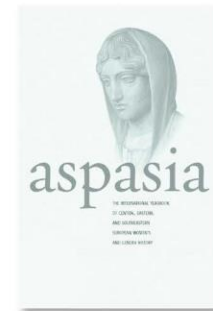
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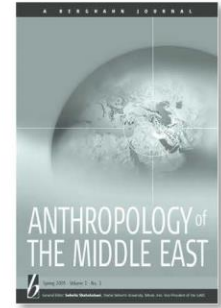
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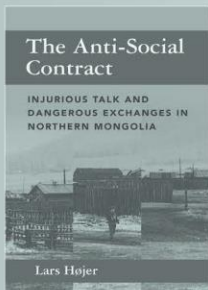
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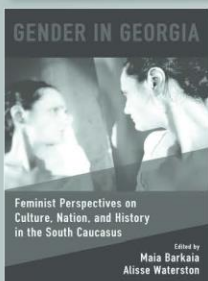
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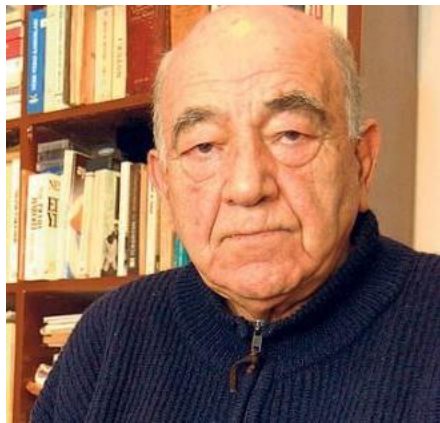
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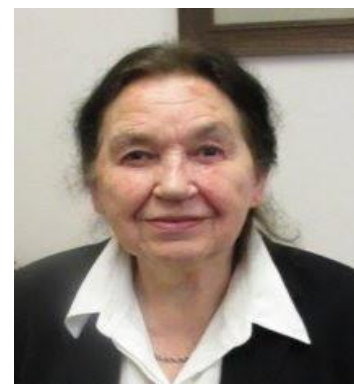
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**Kemal H. Karpat (1923-2019)** was born in the village of Armutlu in the Dobruja region of Romania. Descending from Crimean Tatar immigrants, Karpat was proud of his heritage and frequently returned to his family's roots in his scholarship. In the midst of World War II, he left Romania for Turkey where he ultimately entered Istanbul University Law School, graduating in 1947. While in law school, he also received Turkish citizenship. After moving to the United States, he taught first at Montana State University and in 1967 he settled permanently in the History Department at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Professor Karpat also did much to promote Ottoman, Turkish, and Central Asian studies. He was the founding president of the Turkish Studies Group from 1971-74, renamed the Turkish Studies Association (1972), and now known as the Ottoman and Turkish Studies Association. He served as the president of the Middle East Studies Association (1985). He was the founding chair of the Central Asian Studies Association, serving from 1985-95. His expertise on Turkey, Central Asia, and the Middle East at large was sought by both the Carter and Reagan administrations.

**Ilse Laude-Cirtautas (1926-2019)**, Ilse Apa (or Opa in Uzbek) was one of less than a handful of scholars who introduced Central Asian studies to Western scholarship. During the Cold War, when no one paid any attention to Soviet Central Asia, Dr. Ilse Cirtautas began her tireless efforts to make sure Central Asian societies and their literature and culture were recognized and appreciated. Uzbek, Kyrgyz, Kazakh, Uighur, and Tajik students and scholars called her Ilse Opa, Ilse Xonim or Ilse Apa, showing enormous respect for her mentorship and her dedication for generating interest and strengthening scholarship in the fields of Central Asian languages and literatures. Ilse Laude-Cirtautas received her Ph.D. from the University of Hamburg (Germany). After moving to the United States, I. Laude-Cirtautas taught first at Indiana University (1965-1968), where she introduced the field of Comparative Turkic Studies. She accomplished the same at the University of Washington where she has been teaching since 1968.



**Thomas T. Allsen (1940-2019)** was one of the most outstanding scholars of the history and culture of Medieval Eurasia and of the Mongol Empire in particular. His books and articles are cited in virtually every work that deals with the peoples of that time and place. Allsen did much to reorient "Mongol Imperial Studies" from a largely political narrative to one that encompassed aspects of ideological, commercial and material culture and the transfer of cultures across Eurasia. His excellent knowledge of Chinese, Persian, Arabic, Russian and Western European languages, his thorough command of the sources dealing with the peoples of Eurasia and jargon-free style of exposition made his work essential reading for scholars in the field, scholars working in World history and at the same time open to broader audiences. After briefly teaching at Western Kentucky University (1979-1980), he spent the remainder of his teaching career (1980-2002) in the History Department of Trenton State College, now The College of New Jersey. He won numerous awards including fellowships from the prestigious National Endowment for the Humanities (1998-1999, 2003-2004) and from the Guggenheim Foundation (2002-2003) in the field of East Asian Studies.

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