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Registration (Galleria, Intercultural Center)

6:00 pm-8:00 pm

Welcome Reception and Photographic Exhibition (Galleria, Intercultural Center)

Friday, October 3

8:00 am-4:00 pm

Registration (Galleria, Intercultural Center)

8:00 am-8:00 pm

Conference Exhibition (Copley Formal Lounge)

9:00 am-10:45 am

Session I (see pages 10-11)

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12:45 pm-2:00 pm

Lunch Break

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Session III (see pages 14-16)

5:00 pm-6:30 pm

Keynote Address: Rory Stewart (Gaston Hall, Healy Building)

6:30 pm-8:30 pm

Reception (tent on Copley Lawn)

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8:00 am-4:00 pm

Registration (Galleria, Intercultural Center)

8:00 am-8:00 pm

Conference Exhibition (Galleria, Intercultural Center)

9:00 am-5:00 pm

Film Festival (Auditorium, Intercultural Center; see pages 29-30)

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Sunday, October 5

8:00 am-9:00am

2009 Conference Committee Meeting (Room 102, Intercultural Center)

8:30 am-9:00 am

Registration (Galleria, Intercultural Center)

8:00 am-1:00 pm

Conference Exhibition (Galleria, Intercultural Center)

9:00 am-10:45 am

Session I (see pages 24-26)

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Session II (see pages 26-28)

1:00 pm

Conference ends

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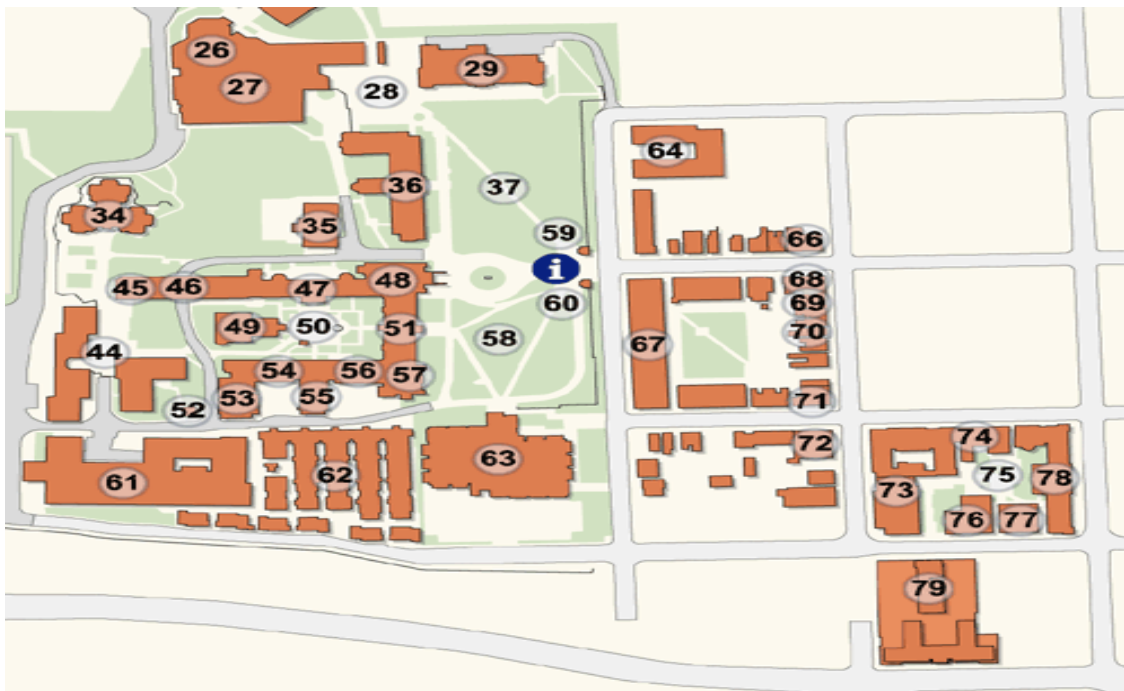
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- 22. Leavey Center, Food Court, GU Bookstore, and Marriott Hotel
- 24. Main shuttle bus stop
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- 51. Healy Hall
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i Visitor information desk

P Limited visitor parking

MAIN CAMPUS: EAST



INFORMATION

COMPUTERS AND INTERNET

Computers are available in the Center for Eurasian, Russian, and East European Studies (Bunn Intercultural Center, Room 111)

Unsecured wireless access available on campus

MAILING SERVICES

Post Office
1215 31st Street, NW

UPS Store
1419 37th Street, NW

PRINT SHOP

FedEx-Kinkos
3329 M Street, NW
Phone: (202) 965-1414
M-Th 24 hours; F 12am-10pm; Sat 7am-10pm; Sun 7am-12am

BOOKSTORES

University Bookstore
Leavy Center
M-F 9am-7pm; Sat-Sun 11am-5pm

Barnes and Noble
3040 M Street NW
M-Sun 9am-11pm

ON-CAMPUS DINING

Epicurean and Company
Located on first floor of Darnell Hall

University Food Court
Leavy Center

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Friday, 9:00-10:45, ICC, Auditorium

Chair: **Marjorie Mandelstam Balzer** (Georgetown University; balzerm@georgetown.edu)

Laman Tasch (Northern Illinois University; laman.tasch@comcast.net)

“Comparative Study of the State Nationality Policy in Russia under Yeltsin and Putin”

Mariya Chelova (Berlin Social Science Center, Humboldt University; chelova@wzb.eu)

“Explaining Regime Outcomes in the Former Soviet Union States: Cleavage Structure, Party Systems, and Voting Patterns”

Arus Harutyunyan (Western Michigan University; arus.harutyunyan@wmich.edu)

“Untangling the Double-Edged Politics of Remembering, Boundaries and Belongingness”

Anna Martirosyan (University of Missouri, St. Louis; annamartirosyan@hotmail.com)

“War, State Militarization and Contentious Politics of Exclusion in Armenia”

SO-01 • ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL CHANGE IN CENTRAL ASIA AND THE CAUCASUS

Friday, 9:00-10:45, Mortara Center Boardroom

Chair: **Hilary Drew** (Georgetown University; hd43@georgetown.edu)

Delia Bachankaeva (Barnard College, Columbia University; db2280@columbia.edu)

“Marketing and Sustainable Development in the Caucasus: The Case Study of the Kalmyk Republic”

Zohra Ismail (Indiana University Bloomington; zmismail@gmail.com)

“A Home of Our Own: Emerging Land Conflicts in Gorno-Badakhshan, Tajikistan”

Mettursun Beydulla (Harvard University; beydulla@fas.harvard.edu)

“Deryabuyi: A Microcosm of Social Change in ‘Xinjiang’”

PO-02 • RUSSIA AND THE NEAR ABROAD

Friday, 9:00-10:45, ICC, CCAS Boardroom

Chair: **Cory Welt** (Georgetown University; cdw33@georgetown.edu)

Lyndon Allin (Georgetown University; allinl@law.georgetown.edu)

“The Ties that Bind: Russia’s Non-military Means of Influence in Abkhazia”

Antje Kastner (German Development Institute; Antje.Kaestner@gmail.com)

“The Domestic Sources of Change in Russian Foreign Policy towards the NIS”

Valeriy Dzutsev (University of Maryland; vdzutsev@umd.edu)

“Russian Neoimperialism and its Implications in the Northern Caucasus”

Yelda Demirag (Baskent University; demirag@baskent.edu.tr)

“Eastward Enlargement of NATO and Russia”

SO-02 • MASS MEDIA IN KAZAKHSTAN: IN HIGHER EDUCATION AND JOURNALISM PRACTICE

Friday, 9:00-10:45, ICC, Room 450

Chair: **Maureen Nemecek** (Oklahoma State University; mjnemecek@comcast.net)

Discussant: **Rafis Abazov** (Columbia University; ra2044@columbia.edu)

Maureen Nemecek (Oklahoma State University; mjnemecek@comcast.net)

“Journalism Educators in Kazakhstan: Teaching, Curriculum and Practice”

Sholpan Kozhamkulova (Kazakhstan Institute of Management, Economics and Strategic Research; sholpank@yahoo.com)

“Framing Effects of TV News Media in Kazakhstan: How Ch 31, Khabar, KTK and Kazakhstan-1 Report News”

Stanislav Los (Kazakh National University; st_los@yahoo.com)

“Arguments For and Against the Development of Kazakhstani Internet Journalism”

HC-01 • LINGUISTICS, LANGUAGE AND LANGUAGE POLICY

Friday, 9:00-10:45, ICC, Room 462

Chair: **Ron Sela** (Indiana University; rsela@indiana.edu)

Yukiyasu Arai (Slavic Research Center, Hokkaido University, Japan; samandabadra@gmail.com)

“The Kalmyk Language Policy in the 1920s”

Jonathan Washington (Indiana University; jonwashi@indiana.edu)

“Historical Interactions among Turkic Groups Inferred through Constraint-based Linguistic Typology”

Saruul-Erdene Myagmar (Mongolian Cultural Center; info@mongolcc.org)

“Meanings of Mongolian Verb bai- (Copula) and Its Translation into English”

HC-02 • GEORGIAN STUDIES

Friday, 9:00-10:45, ICC, McGhee Library

Chair: **Julie Christensen** (George Mason University; jchrists@gmu.edu)

Discussant: **John Colarusso** (McMaster University; colarusss@mcmaster.ca)

Bert Beynen (Free Library of Philadelphia; beyneng@freelibrary.org)

“Dionysos, Rustam and Tariel: The Symbolism of the Panther Skin”

Zakharia Pourtskhvanidze (University of Frankfurt am Main, Germany; linguagon@aol.com)

“A New Perspective on Notion of Subject in Georgian”

Babak Rezvani (University of Amsterdam; brezvani@fmg.uva.nl)

“The Forgotten Caspian Georgians of Iran”

Lela Samushia (J.W.G. Goethe University, Frankfurt am Main; lelamarisa@yahoo.de)

“Speech Reporting in Kartvelian”

FRIDAY ♦ SESSION II ♦ 11:00 AM - 12:45 PM

PO-03 • ETHNIC MOBILIZATION AND CONFLICT IN EURASIA

Friday, 11:00-12:45, ICC, Auditorium

Chair: **Miriam Lanskoj** (National Endowment for Democracy; miriaml@ned.org)

Idil Tuncer Kilavuz (Marmara University; idiltuncer@marmara.edu.tr)

“Understanding Violent Conflict: A Comparative Study of Tajikistan and Uzbekistan”

Caspar Tristan ten Dam (Queens University Belfast; ctendam01@qub.ac.uk)

“Values, Aims, and Methods of Violence by Chechen and Albanian Insurgents: Findings and Implications for Future Research of Conflicts on the Eurasian Continent”

Shahyar Daneshgar (Indiana University; sdaneshg@indiana.edu)

“Iran and Challenges of a New Millennium: Ethnic Unrests, an Overview of Events, the Case of Azerbaijanis”

Bekmyrza Tokotegin (Institute for Social Science; tokotegin@yahoo.com)

“Europe Meets the Caucasus: A Stability and Security Policy for the Caucasus”

PO-04 • CIVIL SOCIETY/NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS

Friday, 11:00-12:45, Mortara Center Boardroom

Chair: **Ayca Ergun** (Middle East Technical University; ayer@metu.edu.tr)

Discussant: **G. Alper Ataser** (Selcuk University; ataser@metu.edu.tr)

Edgar McGee (Ohio University; maqi3@yahoo.com)

“Organizational Culture of Non-government Organizations in Post-soviet Azerbaijan”

Rustamjon Urinboyev (Maastricht University; rustamurin@yahoo.com)

“The Role and Impact of Public Administration Schools and Human Rights/Civil Society Groups in Democratic Governance of Multiethnic Communities in Uzbekistan”

HC-03 • EXPRESSIONS OF SOCIAL CHANGE AND IDENTITY THROUGH LITERATURE

Friday, 11:00-12:45, ICC, CCAS Boardroom

Chair: **Marcia Morris** (Georgetown University; morrisma@georgetown.edu)

Discussant: **Agnes Kefeli Clay** (Arizona State University; akefeli@asu.edu)

Rozaliya Garipova (Princeton University; garipova@princeton.edu)

“The Traditional Tatar Ulama and Modernity: An Analysis of the Journal Din ve Maishet”

Rahmon Inomkhojaye (Indiana University; rinomkho@indiana.edu)

“Mahmud Tarzi on the Events of 1928-29 in Afghanistan”

Danielle Ross (University of Wisconsin, Madison; danielleross@wisc.edu)

“At War with the Tatar Kingdom: Proving a Pan-Islamic Conspiracy Theory, or the Izh-Bubi Trial Re-examined”

Rian Thum (Harvard University; thum@fas.harvard.edu)

“Tazkiras in Practice: the Production and Use of Hagiographical Manuscripts in Xinjiang at the Turn of the 20th Century”

PO-05 • DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY IN CENTRAL ASIA

Friday, 11:00-12:45, ICC, Room 450

Chair: **Sean Roberts** (The George Washington University; seanrr@gmail.com)

Jennifer Brick (University of Wisconsin, Madison; jbrick@wisc.edu)

“Traditional Leadership and Community Development in Rural Afghanistan”

Nicolas-Claude Gosset (Universite Libre de Bruxelles, Belgian National Fund for Scientific Research; ngosset@ulb.ac.be)

“Uzbekistan’s Mahalla Rush: Potentials and Limitations of Development Agencies’ New Architecture of Provision in Grassroots Constituencies”

Kelly McMan (Case Western Reserve University; kelly.mcmann@case.edu)

“Particularistic Politics as an Unexpected Outcome of Market Reform in Central Asia”

Erica Marat (ISDP&CACI; emarat@silkroadstudies.org)

“State Weakness, Organized Crime, and Corruption in Central Asia”

SO-03 • CHANGING GENDER ROLES AND RELATIONS IN CENTRAL ASIA

Friday, 11:00-12:45, ICC, Room 462

Chair: **Marianne Kamp** (University of Wyoming; mkamp@uwoyo.edu)

Discussant: **Cynthia Werner** (Texas A & M; werner@neo.tamu.edu)

Katalin Fábrián (Lafayette College; fabiank@lafayette.edu) and **Muborak Sharipova** (Independent Consultant; muborakopenasia@hotmail.com)

“Women and Violence in Tajikistan: From Soviet Liberation to Post-Soviet Political and Economic Segregation”

Noah Tucker (Harvard University; ntucker@fas.harvard.edu)

“Wives, Submit to Your Husbands? The Role of Religion in Movements for Re-Traditionalization of Women’s Roles”

M. Reid Hamel (University of California, Berkeley; reidh@demog.berkeley.edu)

“Women’s Labor Force Participation in the Caucasus: A Household-Level Assessment”

PO-06 • CHALLENGES FACING DEMOCRATIC MONGOLIA

Friday, 11:00-12:45, ICC, McGhee Library

Chair: **Alicia Campi** (The Mongolia Society; monsocacampi@gmail.com)

Luvshanchultem Myagmarsuren (Indiana University; luvmyagma@yahoo.com)

“Landlocked Mongolia and the ‘Third Neighbor’ Concept”

Alicia Campi (The Mongolia Society; monsocacampi@gmail.com)

“U.S. Government Policies towards Mongolia in the Last 20 years--A Review”

John Williams (Principia College; john.williams@principia.edu)

“Political Efficacy in Mongolia’s Emerging Democracy”

FRIDAY ♦ SESSION III ♦ 2:00 PM - 3:45 PM

PO-07 • ISLAMIC REVIVAL ACROSS EURASIA: RELIGIOUS AND POLITICAL TRENDS

Friday, 2:00-3:45, ICC, Auditorium

Chair: **Eric McGlinchey** (George Mason University; emcglinc@gmu.edu)

Discussant: **Dmitry Gorenburg** (AAASS, Harvard University; oenburg@gmail.com)

Kathleen Collins (University of Minnesota; colli433@umn.edu)

“The Popular Shift toward Political Islam”

John Schoeberlein (Harvard University; schoeber@fas.harvard.edu)

“How the Soviet System Changed Islam in Central Asia”

Miriam Lanskoj (National Endowment for Democracy; miriaml@ned.org)

“Islam and the North Caucasus Insurgency”

Anar Valiyev (Azerbaijan Diplomatic Academy; avaliyev@ada.edu.az)

“Islam in Azerbaijan: Which Way to Go?”

PO-08 • CENTRAL ASIA: WHY SO FEW CONFLICTS?

Friday, 2:00-3:45, Mortara Center Boardroom

Chair: **Nancy Lubin** (JNA Associates, Inc.; JNA-Associates@earthlink.net)

Discussant: **S. Frederick Starr** (Central Asia-Caucasus Institute, Johns Hopkins University; sfstarr@jhu.edu)

Roger Kangas (National Defense University; kangasr@ndu.edu)

“Delegitimizing Conflict: An ‘Official Explanation’ of Why So Little Conflict”

Avinoam Idan (University of Haifa; avdan@netvision.net.il)

“Central Asia: the Impact of the Land-locked Factor on Regional Cooperation and Relations”

Brenda Shaffer (University of Haifa; bshaffer@univ.haifa.ac.il)

“The Autocratic Peace of Central Asia”

Svante E. Cornell (Central Asia-Caucasus Institute, Silk Road Studies Program Joint Center, Johns Hopkins University, SAIS, Institute for Security and Development Policy; scornell@silkroadstudies.org)

“The Absence of Ethno-federalism and the Lack of Ethnic War in Central Asia”

PO-09 • AMERICAN FOREIGN POLICY AND NEO-IMPERIALISM IN CENTRAL ASIA

Friday, 2:00-3:45, ICC, CCAS Boardroom

Chair: **Tugrul Keskin** (Virginia Tech. University; tugrul@vt.edu)

Discussant: **Kemal Silay** (Indiana University; ksilay@indiana.edu)

Ajay Kumar Patnaik (Jawaharlal Nehru University; patnaik.ajay@gmail.com)

“Export of Democracy: US Geopolitical Moves in Central Asia”

Azeem Ibrahim (University of Cambridge; ai242@cam.ac.uk)

“Motivational Drivers of US Policy in Post Soviet Era”

Tugrul Keskin (Virginia Tech. University; tugrukl@vt.edu) and **Gary Wood** (Virginia Tech. University; garywood@vt.edu)

“New-Imperialism and Promotion of Democracy in Central Asia: Case of NED and NDI”

**PO-10 • SOCIAL WELFARE IN POST-COMMUNIST STATES: CHALLENGES,
DYNAMICS AND IMPLICATIONS**

Friday, 2:00-3:45, ICC, Room 450

Chair: **Kate Schecter** (The American International Health Alliance; kschechter@aiha.com)

Discussant: **Alexandra Vacroux** (Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars; alexandra.vacroux@wilsoncenter.org)

Elena Maltseva (University of Toronto; elena.maltseva@utoronto.ca)

“Policy Implementation in Post-Soviet States: A Comparison of Social Welfare Reform in Russia and Kazakhstan”

Erica Johnson (University of Washington; ejj3@u.washington.edu)

“Authoritarian Survival and Social Welfare in Post-Communist States”

Svetlana Inkina (University of Washington; svetlana.inkina@gmail.com)

“The Russian Welfare Model: Is There Room for Regional Disparities?”

SO-04 • MAJORITY-MINORITY RELATIONS IN THE CAUCASUS

Friday, 2:00-3:45, ICC, Room 462

Chair: **Claire Pogue** (McLarty and Associates, Georgetown University; cpogue@maglobal.com)

Magomedkhan Magomedkhanov (Institute of History, Archeology & Ethnography of Dagestan Scientific Center of Russian Academy of Sciences; mkhan@yandex.ru)

“Transformation of Identities in Dagestan”

Ludmila Pravikova (Pyatigorsk State Linguistic University, Russia; pravikova@mail.com)

“Linguistic Identity Change in the North Caucasus”

Mantas Kvedaravicius (University of Cambridge; mk561@cam.ac.uk)

“Outlaws in Lawless Land? Torture and the ‘Rule’ in Post-Soviet Chechnya”

Salvatore Di Rosa (Research Group, Ghent University, Belgium; Salvatore.Dirosa@Ugent.Be)

“Mobilised Muslim Identity and the Construction of Islamism in Kabardino-Balkaria”

**SO-05 • ROUNDTABLE: RURAL DEVELOPMENT AND RESTRUCTURING IN CENTRAL
ASIA, PAST AND PRESENT**

Friday, 2:00-3:45, McGhee Library

Chair: **Sean Roberts** (The George Washington University; seanrr@gmail.com)

Discussant: **Marianne Kamp** (University of Wyoming; mkamp@uwyo.edu)

Zulfiya Tursunova (University of Manitoba; zulfiya_tursunova@yahoo.com)

“Rural development and Livelihood in Uzbekistan”

Sarah Cameron (Yale University; sarah.cameron@yale.edu)

“Clan in Form, Class in Content?: The Kazakh Steppe and Early Soviet Planning, 1923-1928”

Russell Zanca (Northeastern Illinois University; rzanca@neiu.edu)

“Counting Sheep for the New Order: State Measures and Shepherds’ Recollections of Collectivization”

Marianne Kamp (University of Wyoming; mkamp@uwyo.edu)

“Group Work, Individual Pay: Incentives for Laborers on Uzbek Collective Farms in the 1930s”

SATURDAY ♦ SESSION I ♦ 9:00 AM - 10:45 AM

PO-11 • ROUNDTABLE: WASHINGTON WHISPERS—A VIEW OF CENTRAL ASIA AND THE CAUCASUS FROM THE DC PERSPECTIVE

Saturday, 9:00-10:45, ICC, Room 101

Chair: **Daniel L. Burghart** (National Defense Intelligence College; Daniel.Burghart@dia.mil)

Michael Ochs (Helsinki Commission, US Congress; Michael.Ochs@mail.house.gov)

Cory Welt (Georgetown University; cdw33@georgetown.edu)

Roger Kangas (National Defense University; kangasr@ndu.edu)

Steve LeVine (Business Week; stevlevine@gmail.com)

Theresa Sabonis-Helf (National Defense University and National War College; Sabonishelft@ndu.edu)

PO-12 • ENERGY, INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, AND DOMESTIC POLICIES

Saturday 9:00-10:45, ICC, Room 115

Chair: **Hayriye Kahveci** (Middle East Technical University; hkahveci@metu.edu.tr)

Discussant: **Roger P. Hamburg** (Independent Scholar; hamburg@indiana.edu)

Andrea Herschman Kendall-Taylor (UCLA; ahersch@ucla.edu)

“Political Sources of Dutch Disease: Political Time Horizons and Windfall Foreign Savings”

Karlygash Dairabayeva (The George Washington University; karly@gwu.edu)

“Is The ‘Dubai Model’ a New Paradigm for Growth and Investment Strategies for Oil-Based Economies: Case Study Eurasia”

Galiya Abdrakhmanova (Kazakh National University; galiya.abdrakhmanova@gmail.com)

“Central Asia in Three Initiatives for Regional Integration: EurAsEC, SCO, and ECO—a Comparative Analysis”

HC-04 • MODERN HISTORIOGRAPHY OF XINJIANG AND THE UYGHURS: BEYOND THE CHINESE SOURCES

Saturday, 9:00-10:45, ICC, Room 108

Chair: **James A. Millward** (Georgetown University; millwarj@georgetown.edu)

Discussant: **Stanley Toops** (Miami University; toopssw@muohio.edu)

Jun Sugawara (Tokyo University of Foreign Studies; sugawara@uighur.jp)

“Waqf Litigation at Kashghar: A Case Study on Islamic Lawsuit Procedure under Chinese Rule”

Sean Roberts (The George Washington University; seanrr@gmail.com)

“The Rise of Uyghurstan in the Russian Empire and Soviet Union”

Nabijan Tursun (Radio Free Asia; tursunn@rfa.org)

“Uyghur Sources and Perspectives on the Early 20th Century Uyghur”

PO-13 • THE POLITICAL GEOGRAPHY OF REGIONS

Saturday, 9:00-10:45, ICC, Room 107

Chair: **Sylvia Önder** (Georgetown University; onders@georgetown.edu)

Discussant: **Babak Rezvani** (University of Amsterdam and Utrecht University; b.rezvani@uva.nl)

Pinar Akcali (Middle East Technical University; akcali@metu.edu.tr)

“An Assessment of Eurasianism in Turkey as a Foreign Policy Option”

Alla Mirzoyan (Florida International University; allamir@yahoo.com)

“In Between or Within?: Southern Caucasus as a ‘Constructed’ Region”

Iqboljon Qoraboyev (University of Montpellier 1, France; iqboljon@gmail.com)

“Contending Political Rationalities of Central Asian Regionalism”

Asel Dolotkeldieva (Sciences Po de Paris; adkasymovna@gmail.com)

“Kyrgyz Migrants between Russia and Kyrgyzstan: Strategies, Impacts and Dynamics”

HC-05 • NEW PERSPECTIVES ON RUSSIAN AND SOVIET COLONIALISMS

Saturday, 9:00-10:45, ICC, Room 104

Chair: **Agnes Kefeli Clay** (Arizona State University; akefeli@asu.edu)

Kristin Collins (The Ohio State University; breyfogle.4@osu.edu)

“Stealing Daughters: Relations between Russia and the Caucasus in the Nineteenth Century”

Cloe Drieu (Inalco, and CHDT; cloe.drieu@free.fr)

“How Natives Took Hold of the Camera, and How They Lost It (Uzbekistan, 1931-1936)”

Eileen Kane (Connecticut College; ek2497@columbia.edu)

“Imperialism through Islamic Networks: Russia and the Hajj”

Anaita Khudonazar (University of California, Berkeley; anaitkin@yahoo.com)

“Between Evropa and Asiiia: Mirages of Central Asia in Imperial Art of the Nineteenth Century”

Simo Mikkonen (Stanford University and University of Jyväskylä; simikko@stanford.edu)

“Leak in the Soviet System of Security? People of the Black Sea and Caspian Areas as Informants to the West during the Late 1950s and 1960s”

SATURDAY ♦ SESSION II ♦ 11:00 AM - 12:45 PM

PO-14 • ROUNDTABLE: US DEVELOPMENT AND DIPLOMACY POLICY IN CENTRAL ASIA AND THE CAUCASUS

Saturday, 11:00-12:45, ICC, Room 101

Chair: **Eric McGlinchey** (George Mason University; emcglinc@gmu.edu)

Sada Aksartova (George Mason University; saksarto@gmu.edu)

Cory Welt (Georgetown University; cdw33@georgetown.edu)

Sean Roberts (The George Washington University; seanrr@gmail.com)

SO-06 • MIGRATION IN CENTRAL ASIA IN AN ERA OF GLOBALIZATION

Saturday, 11:00-12:45, ICC, Room 115

Chair: **Daniel L. Burghart** (National Defense Intelligence College; Daniel.Burghart@dia.mil)

Discussant: **Daniel L. Burghart** (National Defense Intelligence College; Daniel.Burghart@dia.mil)

Cynthia Buckley (University of Texas, Austin; cbuckley@austin.utexas.edu)

“Migration in Comparative Perspective: What Can North America tell us about Eurasia?”

Saltanat Liebert (Virginia Commonwealth University; sliebert@vcu.edu)

“Integration of Central Asian Migrants in the United States”

Urmat Tynaliyev (University of Minnesota; lginkg@gmail.com)

“Labor Migration from Kyrgyzstan to Russia and its Impact on the Individual and Community Development”

Irina Novikova (American University; arina.novikova@gmail.com)

“Does it Matter Where You Come from? Identity Politics and Access to Basic Services Among Internal Migrants in Bishkek”

HC-06 • LOCAL AND REGIONAL HISTORY OF CENTRAL ASIA

Saturday, 11:00-12:45, ICC, Room 108

Chair: **Allen Frank** (Independent Scholar; afrank7129@yahoo.com)

Discussant: **Virginia Martin** (University of Wisconsin-Madison; virginiamartin@tds.net)

Elmira Köchümkulova (University of Central Asia; elmira.kuchumkulova@ucentralasia.org)

“The Oral History of Soviet Sedentarization/Collectivization of the Nomadic Kyrgyz in the Aksi Region of Southern Kyrgyzstan”

Jin Noda (The Toyo Bunko; nodajin@d1.dion.ne.jp)

“The History of Eastern Kazakhstan Written by a Tatar Imam: Beyond the Border of the Empires”

Tomohiko Uyama (Hokkaido University; uyama@slav.hokudai.ac.jp)

“Historiography of Local and Regional Studies in Western Kazakhstan: An Alternative to National History?”

Zeev Levin (Tel-Aviv University; levinzv@gmail.com)

“History of Samarkand As Presented in the Historical Museums of the City”

PO-15 • WESTERN FOREIGN POLICY: CENTRAL ASIA

Saturday, 11:00-12:45, ICC, Room 104

Chair: **Jennifer Long** (Georgetown University, longj@georgetown.edu)

Barry Carlson (Air Command and Staff College; barak.carlson@maxwell.af.mil)

“Coordinating International Stabilization Programs in Afghanistan through Improved Governance”

Ahadjon Abdurahmonov (University of Wyoming; aabdurah@uwyo.edu)

“Democracy and Human Rights Promotion as a Central Element of the US Foreign Policy towards Uzbekistan”

Eric Freedman (Michigan State University; freedma5@msu.edu) and **Navbahor Imamova** (Voice of America Uzbek Service; navbahor@hotmail.com)

“The Voice of America’s Uzbek Service: Political Outreach, Visions of America or Propaganda?”

AbduMannob Polat (Independent Consultant and Scholar; AbduMannob@yahoo.com)

“US-Uzbekistan Failures”

HC-07 • SPIRITUALITY AND IDENTITY IN INNER ASIA

Saturday, 11:00-12:45, ICC, Room 118

Chair: **Mir Sadat** (hsadat@yahoo.com)

Orhon Myadar (University of Arizona; orhon@email.arizona.edu)

“The Myth of Nomads: Demystifying Mongolian Nomadic Identity”

Catherine Kmita (University of Alberta; ckmita@yahoo.com)

“The Inner Mongolian Dance, Andai, As a Therapeutic Form”

HC-08 • HISTORICAL PROBLEMS IN THE MONGOL EMPIRE

Saturday, 11:00-12:45, ICC, Room 106

Chair: **James Millward** (Georgetown University, millwarj@georgetown.edu)

Discussant: **Ruth Dunnell** (Kenyon College; dunnell@kenyon.edu)

Timothy May (North Georgia College & State University; tmmay@ngcsu.edu)

“First Date: When Did the Mongols First Encounter the Khwarazmian Empire?”

Paul Buell (Western Washington; pbuell@speakeasy.net)

“Admonishing Women in the Secret History of the Mongols”

Florian Schwarz (The University of Washington; fschwarz@u.washington.edu)

“The Mongols, Local Politics, and Cultural Production in 13th and 14th Century Bukhara”

HC-09 • RELIGION AND MATERIAL CULTURE

Saturday, 11:00-12:45, ICC, Room 107

Chair: **Marjorie Mandelstam Balzer** (Georgetown University, balzerm@georgetown.edu)

Discussant: **Vernon Schubel** (Kenyon College; schubel@kenyon.edu)

Nina Chichinadze (Ilia Chavchavadze State University; nchichinadze@yahoo.com)

“Shaping of Religious Space: Veneration of Miracle-working Icons in Medieval Georgia”

Rasul Ejaz (Independent Scholar; ejaz.rasul@lycos.co.uk)

“Sufi Shrines in Central Asia”

Melanie Michailidis (Carleton College; mmichail@carleton.edu)

“Samanid Pottery: High vs. Low Art, or a Multiplicity of Choices?”

Mushegh Asatryan (Yale University and Fairfield University; mushegh.asatryan@yale.edu)

“Mufaddal al-Jufi and the Kufan ‘Extremists’ in the Eighth Century”

SATURDAY ♦ SESSION III ♦ 2:00 PM - 3:45 PM

PO-16 • GOVERNANCE: THE IMPACT OF DEMOCRATIZATION AND STATE-BUILDING

Saturday, 2:00-3:45, ICC, Room 101

Chair: **Harley Balzer** (Georgetown University; balzerh@georgetown.edu)

Dinissa Duvanova (princeton university; duvanova@princeton.edu)

“Do Civil Service Reforms Lead to Better Governance? The Experience of Kazakhstan”

Verena Fritz (World Bank; vfritz@worldbank.org)

“Transition and State-Building in the Southern CIS”

Fredrik Matias Sjoberg (Uppsala University & London School of Economics;
f.m.sjoberg@lse.ac.uk)

“Explaining Electoral Competitiveness in Kyrgyzstan: Moving Beyond the ‘Clan’ Hypothesis”

Maks Kobonbaev (University of Missouri-St. Louis and the World Bank Group;
maks_kobonbaev@yahoo.com)

“Institutional Sources of Corruption in the Baltic and Central Asian States”

PO-17 • POLITICAL ELITES IN CENTRAL EURASIA

Saturday, 2:00-3:45, ICC, Room 115

Chair: **Benjamin Loring** (Georgetown University; bhl22@georgetown.edu)

Sebastian Schiek (University of Hamburg; sebastian.schiek@web.de)

“International Organizations and Informality in Kazakhstan”

Azamat Sakiev (Maxwell School, Syracuse University; asakiev@maxwell.syr.edu)

“Do Leaders Matter for Regimes: Leadership Styles of Kyrgyzstan’s Akayev, Kazakhstan’s Nazarbayev, and Uzbekistan’s Karimov”

Ayca Ergun (Middle East Technical University; ayer@metu.edu.tr)

“Democratization and Political Elite in Post-Soviet Azerbaijan”

PO-18 • WESTERN PERSPECTIVES: KOSOVO AND THE WEST IN RESHAPING THE CONFLICTS IN THE SOUTH CAUCASUS

Saturday, 2:00-3:45, ICC, Room 108

Chair: **John Mackedon** (George Washington University; mack007@gwu.edu)

Discussant: **John Mackedon** (George Washington University; mack007@gwu.edu)

Rainer Ruge (European Union; rainer.ruge@consilium.europa.eu)

“Territorial Integrity versus the Right of Self-Determination: The Southern Caucasus as Seen from a European Perspective”

Julie George (Queens College, City University of New York; Julie.George@qc.cuny.edu)

“The Impact of Regime Type on Eurasia’s Frozen Conflicts”

Niklas Nilsson (Central Asia-Caucasus Institute and Silk Road Studies Program Joint Center, Johns Hopkins University; nnilsson@silkroadstudies.org)

“EU Interest in the South Caucasus: Sufficient to Face Russian Competition?”

SO-07 • MAJORITY-MINORITY RELATIONS IN CENTRAL ASIA AND AFGHANISTAN

Saturday, 2:00-3:45, ICC, Room 104

Chair: **Babak Rezvani** (University of Amsterdam and Utrecht University; b.rezvani@uva.nl)

Regina Faranda (U.S. Department of State; farandard@state.gov) and **David Nolle** (Independent Scholar; dbnolle@frontiernet.net)

“Boundaries of Ethnic Identity in Central Asia: Titular and Russian Perceptions of Ethnic Commonalities in Kyrgyzstan and Kazakhstan”

Gabriele Rasuly-Paleczek (University of Vienna; gabriele.rasuly@univie.ac.at)

“Conflict Settlement and Mediation among the Uzbeks of Northeastern-Afghanistan”

Nurgul Sawut (RMIT University, Australia; snurgul@hotmail.com)

“The Comparison between the Uzbek-Kyrgyz in the Southern Kyrgyzstan and the Uyghur-Kyrgyz Relations in the Southern Xinjiang”

HC-10 • ISSUES OF AUTHORITY AND CULTURAL IDENTITY

Saturday, 2:00-3:45, ICC, Room 118

Chair: **Nurten Kilic-Schubel** (Kenyon College; kilicn@kenyon.edu)

Gulnara Dadabaeva (Kazakh Institute of Management, Economics and Strategic Research; gdadabaeva@mail.ru)

“Problems of Formation of Cultural Identity in Modern Kazakhstan”

Eva-Marie Dubuisson (University of Michigan; edubuis@umich.edu)

“Speaking Change and Feeling Authority in Contemporary Kazakh Aitus Poetry”

Jeremy Alan Pine (University of Pennsylvania; jeremypine@gmail.com)

“Niyazov’s Cultural Policy: A Tool for Creating a Perpetual State of Exception”

Anna Oldfield (Hamilton College; aoldfiel@hamilton.edu)

“‘Don’t Get in My Face Like Ashiq Peri’: Life and Legends of Azerbaijan’s ‘First’ Woman Minstrel”

PO-19 • AUTHOR MEETS CRITICS: BHAVNA DAVE’S *KAZAKHSTAN: ETHNICITY, LANGUAGE, POWER*

Saturday, 2:00-3:45, ICC, Room 107

Chair: **Laura Adams** (Harvard University; lladams2@earthlink.net)

Bhavna Dave (SOAS; bd4@soas.ac.uk)

Ed Schatz (University of Toronto; ed.schatz@utoronto.ca)

Dmitry Gorenburg (Harvard University; gorenburg@gmail.com)

SATURDAY ♦ SESSION IV ♦ 4:00 PM - 5:45 PM

SO-08 • EDUCATIONAL REFORMS IN CENTRAL ASIA

Saturday, 4:00-5:45, ICC, Room 101

Chair: **Hans Gutbrod** (CRRC -- Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia; hans@crrccenters.org)

Discussant: **Victoria Clement** (Western Carolina University; vclement@wcu.edu)

Christopher Whitsel (Indiana University; cwhitsel@indiana.edu)

“Family Conditions, Democratic Choice, and Sitting at Home: Investigating Educational Participation in Post-Soviet Tajikistan”

Dildorahon Qurbonova (Andijan College of Economics; dildorahon@inbox.ru)

“Reforms in Public Education in Uzbekistan: Mismanagement or Wrong Policy? An Experimental Analysis”

Alan DeYoung (University of Kentucky; ajdey@uky.edu)

“International Struggles over the Political Economy of Higher Education in Kyrgyzstan”

Mieke Meurs (American University; mmeurs@american.edu); **Lisa Giddings** (University of Wisconsin-LaCrosse, giddings.lisa@uwlax.edu)
“Birthing After Socialism: Factors Underlying De-medicalization of Birthing in Tajikistan”

**HC-11 • RISE, FALL, AND RELIGION ON MONGOLIA’S WESTERN FRINGE:
SOURCES ON OIRAT AND WESTERN MONGOLIAN HISTORY**

Saturday, 4:00-5:45, ICC, Room 115

Chair: **Christopher P. Atwood** (Indiana University, Bloomington; catwood@indiana.edu)

Discussant: **Christopher P. Atwood** (Indiana University, Bloomington; catwood@indiana.edu)

Richard Taupier (University of Massachusetts, Amherst; taupier@research.umass.edu)

“The Biography of the Oirat Gegen Zaya Pandita”

Robin Charpentier (Indiana University Bloomington; rcharpen@indiana.edu)

“The Rise and (Soon to Come) Fall of the Oirats in Emchi Ghabang Shirab’s ‘History of the Four Oirats’”

Alice Seddon (Indiana University, Bloomington; aseddon@indiana.edu)

“A Voice from the Mountains: The Songs, Poems, and Journals of General Lu”

Allen Frank (Independent Scholar; afrank7129@yahoo.com)

“The Mongol-Qalmaq Bayani: An Islamic Ethnography of the Mongols”

HC-12 • RELIGIOUS HISTORY AND IDENTITY IN CENTRAL ASIA

Saturday, 4:00-5:45, Room ICC 108

Chair: **Timothy May** (North Georgia College & State University; tmmay@ngcsu.edu)

Janet Kilian-Kivler (George Washington University; jmkk@gwu.edu)

“Russian Orthodox Missionaries in Semirechie and Kuldja in the 19th Century”

Erik Aasland (Fuller Graduate Schools; erikkim@eemail.org)

“Indexing Islam: Ilyas Esenberlin’s Representation of Islam in ‘The Nomads’”

R. Charles Weller (Asia Research Associates; chawel@ara-cahrc.com)

“Kazakh Islamization: New 16th Century Evidence to Overturn the 19th Century Thesis”

**HC-13 • IMPERIAL ORDER, NATIONALISMS AND LOCAL POLITICS IN OTTOMAN
ANATOLIA AT THE TURN OF THE 20TH CENTURY**

Saturday, 4:00-5:45, ICC, Room 104

Chair: **Sylvia Önder** (Georgetown University; onders@georgetown.edu)

Halit Akarca (Princeton University; hakarca@princeton.edu)

“Trabzon as a Russian City”

Richard Antaramian (University of Michigan; reantaramian@yahoo.com)

“The New Nationalism: 19th Century Ottoman Armenian Political Violence and the Armenian Revolutionary Federation”

SO-09 • ENVIRONMENTAL DEGRADATION AND HEALTH PROBLEMS

Saturday, 4:00-5:45, ICC, Room 118

Chair: **Cynthia Werner** (Texas A & M; werner@neo.tamu.edu)

Atsushi Ogihara (Waseda University; aogi@waseda.jp)

“Ecological Destruction of the Aral Sea and the Socioeconomic and Health Status of Its Residents”

Rusty Butler (Utah Valley University; butlerro@uvsc.edu) and **Baktybek Abdrisaev** (Utah Valley University; abdrisba@uvsc.edu)

“Potential for Cooperation between the Northern American Rocky Mountains and Mountainous Nations of Central Asia under the Umbrella of Sustainable Mountain Development”

Ashot Khoetsyan (Yerevan State University; akhoetsian@ysu.am)

“Economic and Environmental Predictions for Desertification in Republic of Armenia”

HC-14 • PERSPECTIVES ON MONUMENTS AND TOURISM

Saturday, 4:00-5:45, ICC, Room 106

Chair: **Sarah Dixon Klump** (Kennan Institute; sarah.klump@wilsoncenter.org)

Nadejda Ozerova-Waggoner (Independence scholar; nadejda29@yandex.ru)

“Changing Public Monuments in Uzbekistan: Policy and Ideology”

Sulhiniso Rahmatullaeva (Independent Scholar; sulhiniso@yahoo.com)

“Samarqand Registan: a Pearl of Medieval Central Asian Urban Architecture”

Stanley Toops (Miami University; toopssw@muohio.edu)

“Landscapes of Silk Road Tourism”

Malahat Farajova (Gobustan National Historical-Artistic Preserve; malahat@mail.ru)

“GIS’ Aided Modeling for Prehistory of Gobustan”

HC-15 • FOLKLORE AND MYTH IN GEORGIAN LITERATURE

Saturday, 4:00-5:45, ICC, Room 107

Chair: **John Colarusso** (McMaster University; colarusss@mcmaster.ca)

Discussant: **Julie Christensen** (George Mason University; jchrste@gmu.edu)

Kevin Tuite (Universite de Montreal; tuitekj@anthro.umontreal.ca)

“Anti- and Pseudo-ethnography in Georgian Literature”

Ketevan Nadareishvili (I. Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University; greekstudies@caucasus.net)

“The Main Trends in Interpreting Medea and Antigone in Georgian Culture”

Nestan Ratiani (AGILE at Ilia Chavchavadze State University; nestanratiani@hotmail.com)

“Georgia - The Country of the Eagle, The Country of the Sun”

Mary Childs (University of Washington; mchilds@u.washington.edu)

“It’s All in a Word: Language and National Identity in Georgian Literature”

SUNDAY ♦ SESSION I ♦ 9:00 AM - 10:45 AM

PO-20 • STATE AND SOCIETY RELATIONS IN CENTRAL ASIA

Sunday, 9:00-10:45, ICC, Room 101

Chair: **Jonathan Zartman** (Air Command and Staff College; jkzartman@msn.com)

Discussant: **Askar Abdrakhmanov** (Institute for World Economy and Politics; askar.abdrakhmanov@gmail.com)

Alima Bissenova (Cornell University; azb3@cornell.edu)

“The Roles of the State and Capital in Urban Development in Kazakhstan”

Don Van Atta (Independent Scholar; donvanatta@earthlink.net)

“The Political Economy of Cotton in Tajikistan”

Timothy Moench (Defense Intelligence Agency; moencht@hotmail.com)

“Implications of Turkmen Sultanism”

Jonathan Zartman (Air Command and Staff College; jkzartman@msn.com)

“State Capacity and Outward Orientation in Central Asia”

PO-21 • ROUNDTABLE: CURRENT EVENTS IN GEORGIA

Sunday, 9:00-10:45, ICC, Room 107

Chair: **John Mackedon** (George Washington University; mack007@gwu.edu)

Julie George (Queens College, CUNY; Julie.George@qc.cuny.edu)

Hans Gutbrod (CRRC -- Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia; hans@crrccenters.org)

Stephen Jones (Amherst Mount Holyoke College; sfjones@mtholyoke.edu)

Svante E. Cornell (Central Asia-Caucasus Institute and Silk Road Studies Program Joint Center, Johns Hopkins University, SAIS, Institute for Security and Development Policy; scornell@silkroadsstudies.org)

SO-10 • NOT YOUR GRANDFATHER’S XINJIANG: UNDERSTANDING THE NEW REALITIES OF ‘AUTONOMY’ IN THE XINJIANG UIGHUR AUTONOMOUS REGION

Sunday, 9:00-10:45, ICC Room 108

Chair: **Sean Roberts** (The George Washington University; seanrr@gmail.com)

Jaya Conser Lapham (University of Washington; conserlj@u.washington.edu)

“Balance: The Common Uses of Uighur Medicine in Xinjiang”

Eric Schluessel (Indiana University - Bloomington; eric.schluessel@gmail.com)

“Mother-Tongue Education in Xinjiang, Past and Present”

Arifueya Eri (Georgetown University; ae223@georgetown.edu)

“Silent Awakening: Uyghur Identity and Consumer Culture in 21st Century Xinjiang”

Bradley Jensen Murg (University of Washington; jensmurg@u.washington.edu)

“Autonomy in the Bingtuan?: Institutional Change in the Xinjiang Production and Construction Corps”

PO-22 • RETHINKING INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS AND GEOPOLITICS

Sunday, 9:00-10:45, ICC, Room 115

Chair: **David Montgomery** (Boston University; davidwmontgomery@gmail.com)

Discussant: **Emil Joroev** (University of Maryland; emil.joroev@gmail.com)

Thomas J. Wood (University of South Carolina, Aiken; thomasw@usca.edu)
“Rethinking Traditional Geopolitics”

John D. Heathershaw (University of Exeter, UK; j.d.heathershaw@exeter.ac.uk)
“Towards a Critical Geopolitics of Central Asia”

Zahid Anwar (University of Peshawar; ozahid@hotmail.com)
“Gwadar Deep-Sea Port Emergence as Regional Trade and Transportation Hub: Prospects and Problems”

Abdualil Abdurasulov (BBC News; abdurasilov@gmail.com)
“Pipeline Politics: Constructing National Interests”

SO-11 • RECONSTRUCTING THE STATE: PUBLIC IMAGES AND MEDIA REPRESENTATIONS

Sunday, 9:00-10:45, ICC, Room 104

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“Vision for a New Yerevan: Post-Soviet Urban Transformations in The Armenian Capital”

Issa Abildayev (Al-Farabi Kazakh National State University; isa_abildayev@yahoo.com)
“Branding Kazakhstan: Problems and Prospects of the Strategy to Promote a Country’s Image Abroad”

Hans Ibold (Missouri School of Journalism; hpid26@mizzou.edu)
“Doing Citizenship the Digital Way? Youth and the Internet in Kyrgyzstan”

Greta Uehling (InterMedia Survey Institute; uehlingg@intermedia.org)
“Media in Kyrgyzstan after the Tulip Revolution: The ‘Inconvenient Questions’ Television Program”

HC-16 • RELIGION AND SPIRITUALITY IN CENTRAL AND INNER ASIA: PAST AND PRESENT

Sunday, 9:00-10:45, ICC, Room 106

Chair: **Benjamin Loring** (Georgetown University; bh122@georgetown.edu)

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“Buddhism in Contemporary Mongolia: Tibetan or Mongolian?”

Mark David Luce (University of Chicago; mdluce@uchicago.edu)
“The Confessional Composition of Umayyad Khurasan”

Yaacov Ro’i (Tel Aviv University; john@post.tau.ac.il)
“Muslim Identity and Islamic Practice in Post-Soviet Central Asia”

PO-23 • ENERGY POLICY AND INTERNATIONAL POLITICS

Sunday, 9:00-10:45, ICC, Room 116

Chair: **Theresa Sabonis-Helf** (National Defense University and National War College; Sabonishelft@ndu.edu)

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“A New ‘Great Game’ for Gas: A Cost-Benefit Analysis of Alternate Natural Gas Pipeline Routes for Turkmenistan”

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“Caspian Energy Resources and Russian Foreign Policy in the Region”

Deniz Tura (Royal Holloway, University of London; dtura@post.harvard.edu)

“A Line with Responsibilities; Regional Sustainable Development Program of British Petroleum along the Baku-Tbilisi-Ceyhan Pipeline”

SUNDAY ♦ SESSION II ♦ 11:00 AM - 12:45 PM

PO-24 • ISLAMISM IN CENTRAL ASIA

Sunday, 11:00-12:45, ICC, Room 101

Chair: **Tristan Mabry** (Georgetown University; tjm76@georgetown.edu)

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“Radical Islam in Central Asia: What Explains Variation in Support by Various Ethnic Groups?”

Peter Sinnott (Independent Scholar; pjsinnott@aol.com)

“The Road Not Taken: A Reappraisal of the December 1991 Karimov-Yoldashev Debate”

Didier Chaudet (French Institute of International Relations; didier.chaudet@gmail.com)

“Al Qaida in Central Asia? The IMU, the Uzbek Regime, and the American War on Terror”

SO-12 • GOVERNANCE AND CIVIL SOCIETY IN KYRGYZSTAN AND UZBEKISTAN

Sunday 11:00-12:45, ICC, Room 107

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“Corporate Governance in the Kyrgyz Republic”

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“Promoting ‘Good Governance’ in Post-Soviet Kyrgyzstan”

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“Developing of Uzbek Model of Civil Society in Neo-Liberal and Communal Sense”

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“Changing Role and Capacity of Mahalla System in Uzbekistan”

Azamat Junisbai (Indiana University; ajunisba@indiana.edu)

“Understanding Welfare State Attitudes in Kazakhstan and Kyrgyzstan”

HC-17 • TOLERANCE BUILDING IN THE SOUTH CAUCASUS

Sunday, 11:00-12:45, ICC, Room 108

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“Conflict Resolution and Sustainable Development”

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“Confidence Building as Part of the Peace Process between Georgians and Abkhazians”

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“Religious Diversity and Public Harmony in South Caucasus”

Elene Medzmariashvili (Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University; lika2medz@yahoo.com)

“Tolerance Building through Education in Georgia”

PO-25 • FOREIGN POLICY IN CENTRAL ASIA

Sunday, 11:00-12:45, ICC, Room 115

Chair: **Daniel Burghart** (National Defense Intelligence College; Daniel.Burghart@dia.mil)

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“Foreign Policy Making in Kazakhstan”

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“Iran’s Foreign Policy in Central Asia”

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“Key Features of Turkmenistan’s Foreign Policy under President Gurbanguly Berdimukhamedov”

Galymzhan Kirbassov (Binghamton University; gkirbas1@binghamton.edu)

“A Game Theoretic Approach to Kazakhstan’s Multi-vector Foreign Policy”

PO-26 • FADING COLORS OF REVOLUTION: GEORGIA AND KYRGYZSTAN

Sunday, 11:00-12:45, ICC, Room 104

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“The Saakashvili Reforms: Lessons from Georgia’s Fight Against Corruption”

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“Colorful Authoritarians? Protest, Policing and Repression in Georgia and Kyrgyzstan 2005-2007”

Brian Grodsky (University of Maryland, Baltimore County; bgrodsky@umbc.edu)

“Institutionalizing Revolution in Georgia: From Social Movements to Corporate Interests?”

SO-13 • ROUNDTABLE: SECONDARY AND POST SECONDARY EDUCATION IN THE SOUTH CAUCASUS

Sunday, 11:00-12:45, ICC, Room 106

Chair: **Richard Lussen** (The Guivy Zaldastanishvili American Academy in Tbilisi; rel@aat.ge)

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HC-18 • DOCUMENTARY MOVIE: SHOKAN VALIKHANOV

Sunday, 11:00-12:45, ICC, Room 116

Chair: **Anna Lawton** (Georgetown University; lawtona@georgetown.edu)

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“The Adventures of Shokan Valikhanov in Central Asia: what can we learn about him?”

Maureen Nemecek (Oklahoma State University; mjnemecek@comcast.net)

“Discussing History in Kazakhstan: The Case of Documentary about Shokan Valikhanov”

FILM FESTIVAL

All films will be shown in the Auditorium of the Intercultural Center (ICC)

The films included in this program were ones of great significance to the development of each country's emerging independent national cinematography. The value of these films lies not necessarily in the narratives of Central Asian culture, history, and society they present, but in the unique opportunity those representations provide for the viewer to get a sense of how these peoples conceive of and interpret themselves. The films are shown here with the hope that they will give viewers the chance to observe not only the national originality of each nation but also the social and cultural connections that exist among the peoples of the Central Asian region.

THE ORATOR | 9:00 AM

UZBEKISTAN, 1998 • YUSUP RAZYKOV

This ironic account of the establishment of Soviet power in Uzbekistan almost takes the shape of an Eastern fairy tale about a poor arbakesh and his three, later four, wives. With the violent Hudjum movement (the unveiling of women) underway, Iskander, the husband, attempts to protect his wives by becoming a Soviet agitator and marrying a revolutionary activist, a liberated woman of the East. As traditional Uzbek life crumbles around them, the characters discover the elements of their culture that endure.

Winner of the Grand Prix at the 1999 Kinoshock Film Festival (CIS and Baltic States).

AKSUAT | 11:00 AM

KAZAKHSTAN, 1997 • SERIK APRYMOV

"Aksuat" is a Kazakh village where mobile phones, cars, and satellite dishes provide the amenities of a modern life, and yet village life remains traditional and is ruled by the "elder," the local mob leader. The film tells the story of two brothers. Kanat, the younger brother represents the "New Kazakh," having returned home to his village with his pregnant Russian wife and without money. Aman, the older brother, has lived his whole life in the village, built a house, settled down, but never married. The relationship of these two brothers serves as a metaphor for the crossroads at which an independent Kazakhstan finds itself. Kanat has lost touch with his roots and his morals, but Aman lives a hard life in a corrupt, unjust society.

Winner of a Special Jury Prize at the 1998 International Film Festival "Eurasia" and a Jury Prize at the 1999 Festival of Three Continents in Nantes.

BESHKEMPIR | 1:00 PM

KYRGYZSTAN, 1998 • AKTAN ABDYKALYKOV

The film begins with five old women, “besh kempir” performing a socialization ceremony for an infant orphan, who is adopted by a childless family. To protect him from the “evil eye,” the family names the child “Beshkempir.” As the boy grows up, he eventually discovers that he is adopted and begins to see his family and his world differently. The one person with whom he remains close through it all is his grandmother. The different episodes of the film are stiched together like a “Kurak,” a traditional Kyrgyz patchwork quilt in which each patch of fabric is connected to a memory.

Winner of the Silver Lion at the Locarno International Film Festival, the Don Quixote Prize from the International Association of Cinema, the Grand Prix at the first Eurasia Film Festival in Almaty, the Audience and Jury Awards at the International Film Festival in Vienna, the Asian Film Jury Award at the International Film Festival in Tokyo, the Grand Prix at International Film Festival in Cottbus, and more.

LITTLE ANGEL MAKE ME HAPPY | 3:00 PM

TURKMENISTAN, 1993 • USMAN SAPAROV

The film tells the story of a German boy whose family had been deported from the Volga region to Turkmenistan at the beginning of the Second World War. Accidentally evading the next deportation round to Siberia, the boy is left alone in the abandoned village.

Winner of the Grand Prix for the children genre at the 1993 Berlinale, the Liv Ulman Prize at the 1994 Chicago Film Festival, the Golden Butterfly at the 1994 Isfagan Film Festival, the Silver Elephant at the 1993 Udaipur Film Festival, and the Grand Prix at the 1994 Kinotavr in Sochi.

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