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Schedule: Session 1 - Thursday afternoon, June 29

Chair: Ruziya **Kamarova** (L. N. Gumilyov Eurasian National University; ruziya@gmail.com)

Discussant: Alima **Bissenova** (Nazarbayev University) [TBC]

Zohra **Ismail-Beben** (Nazarbayev University; zohra.beben@nu.edu.kz)

“The Shrine of Khoja Nuriddin and the Politics of Absence”

Stefanie **Kicherer** (Eberhard-Karls-Universität Tübingen; stefanie.kicherer@email.de)

“Extinct Superstition or Modern Epidemic? The Spirit Possession Wam in Upper Bartang”

Malgorzata **Biczuk** (Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology; biczyk@eth.mpg.de)

“Life and Year Cycle Celebrations and Conflict Avoidance in Pamir Mountains”

Amrisho **Lashkariev** (University of Central Asia; a.lashkariev@gmail.com)

“Lightning the Sacred Lantern: Exploring Transition through the Prism of Ritual”

AN-02 ♦ Identity Practices and Orientations

Schedule: Session 2 - Friday morning, June 30

Chair: Indira **Alibayeva** (Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology; alibayeva@eth.mpg.de)

Discussant: Meltem **Sancak** (Bilgi University) [TBC]

John **Schoeberlein** (Nazarbayev University; john.schoeberlein@nu.edu.kz)

“Kazakh Oralmandar and Challenges of Kazakh Identities”

Anna **Novikov** (CCCEE Cologne-Bonn/The Hebrew University of Jerusalem;

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“Islam, Pan-Turkism or Western Globalism?: Dynamics of Cultural and Visual Self-Reconstruction in Kazakhstan in the Post-Soviet Period”

Paulina **Simkin** (University of Augsburg; paulina.simkin@geo.uni-augsburg.de)

“‘Finally Our People Have Learned What Coffee Really Is’: Insights into Drinking Coffee and Visiting Cafes in Bishkek”

AN-03 ♦ Roundtable: Central Asian Ethnography: A View from Inside [Состояние этнографии в Центральной Азии: взгляд изнутри]

Note: Mixed language (Russian, English)

Schedule: Session 2 - Friday morning, June 30

Chair: Aida Aaly **Alymbaeva** (Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology; alymbaeva@gmail.com)

Kulshat **Medeuova** [Кулшат **Медеуова**] (L. N. Gumilyov Eurasian National University;

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“Epistemological Break and Random Anthropology”

Abylabek **Asankanov** [Абылабек **Асанканов**] (Kyrgyz Academy of Sciences; abyyla@mail.ru)

“Prospects of Ethnology in Kyrgyzstan [Перспективы этнологии в Кыргызстане]”

- Valeriy **Khan** [Валерий Хан] (Institute of History of the Academy of Sciences of Uzbekistan; kxanval@yahoo.com)
“Soviet Ethnography and Post-Soviet Ethnology in Central Asia: What Is the Difference?”
- Muhiddin **Faizulloev** [Муҳиддин Файзуллоев] (State University of Khujand; f.m.f_51@mail.ru)
“State of Ethnology in Contemporary Tajikistan”
- Ina **Heß** (Humboldt-University of Berlin; ina-hess1@gmx.de) and Lucia **Sunder-Plassmann**
(Humboldt-University of Berlin; ina-hess1@gmx.de)
“Ethnography/Anthropology of Central Asia in Literature: A View from Outside”

AN-04 ♦ Planning Marriage and Family: Recent Evolutions of Family and Marriage Patterns in Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan

Schedule: Session 3 - Friday morning, June 30

- Chair:* Diana **Kudaibergenova** (University of Cambridge; creative.corazon@gmail.com)
Discussant: Cynthia **Werner** (Texas A&M University; werner@tamu.edu)
Cynthia **Buckley** (University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign; buckleyc@illinois.edu)
“First Comes Baby: Contraceptive Use and Birth Timing in Tajikistan”
- Juliette **Cleuziou** (University of Paris Nanterre; juliette.cleuziou@hotmail.com)
“The Irony of Marriage in Contemporary Tajikistan: Discussion on Increasing Wedding Expenses and Growing Matrimonial Instability”
- Catherine **Poujol** (INALCO & Institut Français d'Etudes de l'Asie Centrale, Bishkek; catherine.poujol@inalco.fr)
“Is There Freedom in Being Single for Women in Central Asia?”

AN-05 ♦ Central Asian Mobilities: Paradigms of Geographies, Practices and Research

Note: Mixed language (English, Russian)

Schedule: Session 3 - Friday morning, June 30

- Chair:* Cholpon **Turdalieva** (American University of Central Asia; turdalieva@gmail.com)
Discussant: Emil **Nasritdinov** (American University of Central Asia; emilzn@gmail.com)
Rustam **Abdunazarov** [Рустам Абдуназаров] (State University of Khujand; rustam-0878@mail.ru)
“Creating and Developing Private Route Lines System in the Cities of Post-Soviet Tajikistan”
- Aida **Alymova** (Kyrgyz University of Economics; alymova@mail.ru)
“The Narratives of Mobility in Travel Writing by Karl Gustav Mannerheim”
- Mukaram **Toktogulova** (American University of Central Asia; mucaramt@yahoo.com)
“Religious Mobilities of ‘Masturat’ in Kyrgyzstan”

AN-06 ♦ Cultural Difference and Inclusion/Exclusion

Schedule: Session 3 - Friday morning, June 30

- Chair:* Zarina **Mukanova** (Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology; mukanova@eth.mpg.de)
Discussant: Asel **Murzakulova** (University of Central Asia; aselmurza@gmail.com)
Ji Eun **Sim** (Hanyang University; svetofor@naver.com)
“Film Hanaan (2011): Korea and Uzbekistan Seen from a Margin”
- Anton **Nikolotov** (Freie Universität Berlin, Berlin Graduate School of Muslim Cultures and Societies; nikolotov.anton@gmail.com)
“Inhabiting the Eurasian Borders and Corridors: Vagrant Sellers of Luck in Moscow”
- Irfan **Ali Shah** (University of Peshawar; milton_440@yahoo.com)
“Ascendency of Qawm, Ethnicity, and Ethnic Conflict in Afghanistan”

Valeriy **Khan** (Institute of History of the Academy of Sciences of Uzbekistan; khanval@yahoo.com)
“What Does Multiculturalism Mean in Central Asia?”

AN-07 ♦ “Between War- and SecurityScapes” The Case-studies on Everyday Life of LGBT Community in Bishkek

Note: Mixed language (Russian, English)

Schedule: Session 4 - Friday afternoon, June 30

Chair: Nina **Bagdasarova** (American University of Central Asia; nina.bagdasarova@gmail.com)

Discussant: Asele **Myrzabekova** (University of Bonn; aselyam@gmail.com)

Nurbek **Omurov** (American University of Central Asia; nkomurov@gmail.com)

“Coming Out as a Strategy of Securityscape Development for LGBT People in Kyrgyzstan”

Daniyar **Orsekov** [Данияр **Орсеков**] (Independent Scholar; danorsek@gmail.com)

“‘A Day, a Week, a Year... We Do Not Know What Is Happening to Us Tomorrow...’: Unimaginable Future of Transgender People as a Part of Their Warscapes [«День, неделя, месяц, год... Мы, в принципе, не знаем, что с нами будет завтра»]”

Aikanysh **Eralieva** [Айканыш **Ералиева**] (Independent Scholar; aikaeralieva@gmail.com)

“‘My Personal Space Is My Personal State!’ On a Role of Personal Space in Securityscape Building [«Мое личное пространство – это мое государство!»]”

AN-08 ♦ “Diasporas and Repatriants: National and Transnational Ties among Kazakhs

Schedule: Session 5 - Friday afternoon, June 30

Chair: Gulnara **Ibraeva** (Pikir Izildoo Laboratory; ibraeva@gmail.com)

Discussant: Didar **Kassymova** (KIMEP University; didar@kimep.kz)

Indira **Alibayeva** (Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology; alibayeva@eth.mpg.de)

“Living Together Apart”

Cynthia **Werner** (Texas A&M University; werner@tamu.edu)

“Religion, Politics and Globalization among the Kazakhs of Western Mongolia”

Peter **Finke** (University of Zurich; peter.finke@uzh.ch)

“The Kazakhs in Western Mongolia and the Impacts of Out-migration”

AN-09 ♦ “In/Securities of Everyday Life in Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan

Schedule: Session 5 - Friday afternoon, June 30

Chair: Meltem **Sancak** (Bilgi University) [TBC]

Discussant: Hafiz **Boboyorov** (Bonn International Center for Conversion; hafizboboyorov@gmail.com)

Nina **Bagdasarova** (American University of Central Asia; nina.bagdasarova@gmail.com)

“The ‘Securityscapes’ to Survive: The LGBT Community in Kyrgyzstan”

Asele **Myrzabekova** (University of Bonn; aselyam@gmail.com)

“Romantic Securityscapes of Youth in Kyrgyzstan: Day-to-day Dating and Marriage Practices”

Jafar **Usmanov** (University of Bonn; usmanov_jafar@yahoo.com)

“Coping with (In)security: Securityscapes of Civil Rights Activists in Some Urban Areas of Tajikistan”

Conrad **Schetter** (Bonn International Center for Conversion; schetter@bicc.de) and Marc **von Boemcken** (Bonn International Center for Conversion; schetter@bicc.de)

“Routine Transgressions. Everyday Security in Central Asia”

AN-10 ♦ Can We Hear Fish? An Ethnographic Experiment with Non-human Perspectives on the Naryn-Syrdarya River

Note: Mixed language (English, Russian)

Schedule: Session 6 - Saturday morning, July 1

Chair: Dinara **Abildenova** (University of Zurich) [TBC]

Discussant: Irene **Mestre** (University of Central Asia; irene_mestre@hotmail.com)

Jeanne **Féaux de la Croix** (Eberhard-Karls-Universität Tübingen; jeanne.feaux@uni-tuebingen.de)

Mohira **Suyarkulova** (American University of Central Asia, Central Asian Studies Institute; suyarkulova_m@auca.kg)

Adham **Ashirov** (Mirzo Ulugbek National University of Uzbekistan; adhashirov@yandex.ru)

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AN-11 ♦ Traditional Symbols and Social Reconfigurations

Schedule: Session 6 - Saturday morning, July 1

Chair: Aida Aaly **Alymbaeva** (Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology; alymbaeva@gmail.com)

Discussant: [TBD]

Jerzy **Wasilewski** (University of Warsaw; jswasilewski@uw.edu.pl)

“Mongolian Wedding Games and Meaningful Sheep Bones”

Daniyar **Karabaev** (American University of Central Asia / Kyrgyz National University;

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“The Role of the ‘Yaks’ in the Life of Kyrgyz in the Eastern Pamir: Sarykol at the End of 19th and Beginning of 20th Centuries”

Toko **Fujimoto** [**藤本透子**] (National Museum of Ethnology;

toko_moldir@idc.minpaku.ac.jp)

“The Religious and Social Aspects of ‘Ancestral Lands’ in Rural Kazakhstan: An Anthropological Perspective”

AN-12 ♦ Perspectives on Kinship in Central Asia Today

Schedule: Session 7 - Saturday morning, July 1

Chair: Patrick **Heady** (Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology; heady@eth.mpg.de)

Discussant: Baktybek **Isakov** (Kyrgyz-Turkish Manas University; baktybek2607@gmail.com)

Zarina **Mukanova** (Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology; mukanova@eth.mpg.de)

“Shezhire: The Relevance of Patrilineal Descent in Contemporary Kazakhstan”

Verena **La Mela** (Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology; lamela@eth.mpg.de)

“Kin Relationships, Trade and Social Change among Uighurs in Zharkent, Southeastern Kazakhstan”

Louise **Bechtold** (Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology; bechtold@eth.mpg.de)

“Expressing Closeness and Respect: Women’s Use of Names and Kinship Terms in a Kyrgyz Village in Southern Kyrgyzstan”

AN-13 ♦ Urban Transformation and Political Context

Schedule: Session 8 - Saturday afternoon, July 1

Chair: Verena **La Mela** (Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology; lamela@eth.mpg.de)

Discussant: Jeanne **Féaux de la Croix** (Eberhard-Karls-Universität Tübingen; jeanne.feaux@uni-tuebingen.de)

Katarzyna **Jarosz** (International University of Logistics and Transport; katarzynojarosz@gmail.com)
“City Identity in the Context of Political Changes and through the Lens of Military Conflict: Case Study of Sukhumi, Abkhazia”

Jean-Paul **Loubes** (Ecole Nationale Supérieure d'Architecture de Paris La Villette; jploubes@wanadoo.fr)
“The Transformations of Kashgar”

Olivier **Boucheron** (Ecole Nationale Supérieure d'Architecture de Paris La Villette; olivier.boucheron@gmail.com)
“Chinese Persistences in Ulaanbaatar”

AN-14 ♦ Institutional Change in Central Asia: Economic and Social Aspects

Schedule: Session 9 - Sunday morning, July 2

Chair: Svetlana **Jacquesson** (American University of Central Asia, Central Asian Studies Institute; jacquessonsvetlana@gmail.com)

Discussant: Peter **Finke** (University of Zurich; peter.finke@uzh.ch)

Eliza **Isabaeva** (University of Zurich; eliza.isabaeva@uzh.ch)
“Right to Housing in Bishkek”

Dinara **Abildenova** (University of Zurich; dinara.abildenova@uzh.ch)
“Wedding Celebrations in Kazakhstan”

Meltem **Sancak** (Bilgi University; meltem.sancak@uzh.ch)
“Central Asian Migrants in Istanbul: State Politics and Social Adaptations”

AN-15 ♦ Ethnic Diversity in Kyrgyzstan and Implications for Pluralism

Note: Mixed language (Russian, English)

Schedule: Session 10 - Sunday morning, July 2

Chair: Louise **Bechtold** (Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology; bechtold@eth.mpg.de)

Discussant: Jeff **Sahadeo** (Carleton University; jeff_sahadeo@carleton.ca)

Gulrano **Ataeva** [Гулраъно **Атаева**] (Medecins Sans Frontieres; getasmile19@gmail.com)
“Isfana: The Land of Diversities [Исфана: земля многообразия]”

Janyl **Bokontaeva** [Жаныл **Боконтаева**] (Issyk-Kul State University; kjanyl7@mail.ru)
“History of the Establishment and Development of Ethnic Entrepreneurship in the Town of Karakol [История становления и развития этнического предпринимательства в г. Каракол]”

Amantur **Japarov** [Амантур **Жапаров**] (Institute of History, National Academy of Sciences of the Kyrgyz Republic; amantourj@gmail.com)
“The Deported Karachays in Kyrgyzstan: Experience of Integration [Депортированные карачаевцы в Кыргызстане: опыт интеграции]”

Ideat **Temirbek uulu** [Идеат **Темирбек уулу**] (Kyrgyz State History Museum; ideat-bol@mail.ru)
“Integration Issues of the Ethnic Kyrgyz in Kyrgyzstan: The Example of the Kyrgyz who Moved from Tajikistan [Вопросы интеграции этнических кыргызов в Кыргызстане: на примере переселившихся из Таджикистана кыргызов]”

Abdymitalip **Murzakmetov** [Абдымиталип **Мурзакметов**] (Osh State University; suzak65@mail.ru)
“Traditions and Beliefs of Uzbeks of Kyrgyzstan Concerning Food [Верования узбеков Кыргызстана, связанные с едой]”

Cultural Studies

CU-01 ♦ Roundtable: Revitalizing the Musical Heritage of Central Asia: Challenges and Opportunities

Note: Sponsored by University of Central Asia [Mixed language: Russian, English]

Schedule: Session 1 - Thursday afternoon, June 29

Chair: Elmira **Kuchumkulova** (University of Central Asia; elmira.kuchumkulova@ucentralasia.org)

Alexander **Djumaev** (Independent Scholar; adjumaev@yahoo.com)

Faroghat **Azizi** (National Conservatory Tajikistan; farog48aziz@mail.ru)

Theodore **Levin** (Dartmouth College; theodore.c.levin@dartmouth.edu)

Razia **Syrdybaeva** (Center Ustatshakirt, Bishkek; ustat@mail.kg)

Chorshanbe **Goibnazarov** (University of Central Asia; chorshanbe.ghoibnazarov@ucentralasia.org)

Katherine **Freeze** (Brown University; katiefreeze@gmail.com)

CU-02 ♦ Roundtable: Space, Place and Social Meaning

Schedule: Session 2 - Friday morning, June 30

Chair: Catherine **Poujol** (Institut d'Etudes de l'Asie centrale, Bishkek; catherine.poujol@inalco.fr)

Discussant: Ruslan **Rahimov** (American University of Central Asia; rahimov_r@auca.kg)

Boram **Shin** (Hanyang University; shboram@gmail.com)

“Representation of ‘Home Away from Home’ by Soviet Korean Diaspora Artists in Central Asia”

Baktybek **Isakov** (Kyrgyz-Turkish Manas University; baktybek2607@gmail.com)

“Distribution of Resources and Spatial Hierarchy: The Case of Pre-Soviet Kyrgyz Pastoralism”

Katerina **Zäch** (Independent Scholar; kzaech@bluewin.ch)

“Wells: Their Culture and Current Visibility in Everyday Life of People in Kyzyl-Oi, Kyrgyzstan”

CU-03 ♦ The Memory Places of Post-nomad Identity in Eurasia: Comparative Analysis of Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan and Mongolia - Part I

Note: Mixed language (English, Russian)

Schedule: Session 3 - Friday morning, June 30

Chair: Galina **Gorborukova** (American University of Central Asia; gorborukova_g@auca.kg)

Discussant: Svetlana **Jacquesson** (American University of Central Asia, Central Asian Studies Institute; jacquessonsvetlana@gmail.com)

Jacques **Legrand** (INALCO; jacques.legrand@inalco.fr)

“Creating-recreating Places of Memory in Mongolia”

Gulnara **Ibraeva** (Pikir Izildoo Laboratory; ibraeva@gmail.com)

“Ata-Beyit Memorial Complex as a Mirror of Unfinished History of Nation Building in Kyrgyzstan”

Moira **O’Shea** (University of Chicago; moshea@uchicago.edu)

“The Symbolic Landscape of Bishkek: Visual Nationalism and Collective Memory in Public Art”

CU-04 ♦ The Memory Places of Post-nomad Identity in Eurasia: Comparative Analysis of Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan and Mongolia - Part II

Note: Mixed language (Russian, English)

Schedule: Session 4 - Friday afternoon, June 30

Chair: Amantur **Жапаров** [Амантур Жапаров] (Institute of History, National Academy of Sciences of the Kyrgyz Republic; amantourj@gmail.com)

Discussant: Catherine **Poujol** (Institut d'Etudes de l'Asie centrale, Bishkek; catherine.poujol@inalco.fr)

Kulshat **Medeuova** (L. N. Gumilyov Eurasian National University; mkulshat@mail.ru)

“Emotional Frames of Commemoration in Kazakhstan: Between Routinization and Heroization of Memory”

Aijarkin **Кожобекова** [Айжаркин Кожобекова] (International Ataturk Alatau University; akojobekova@gmail.com)

“Monuments to Heroes or Construction of Memory about April uprising of 2010 in Kyrgyzstan”

Eleonora **Proyaeva** [Элеонора Прояева] (; eleonora.proyaeva@gmail.com)

“‘A Child’s Place’: Toys and Other Objects of the Soviet Childhood as a ‘Place’ of Collective Identity”

Mikhail **Shishin** [Михаил Шишин] (Polzunov Altai State Technical University; shishinm@gmail.com)

“Rashan-Khad as an Encyclopedia of Tamga-like Symbols in Eurasia”

CU-05 ♦ Enduring Cultural Heritage

Schedule: Session 5 - Friday afternoon, June 30

Chair: Theodore **Levin** (Dartmouth College; theodore.c.levin@dartmouth.edu)

Discussant: Elmira **Kuchumkulova** (University of Central Asia; elmira.kuchumkulova@ucentralasia.org)

Guzel **Sayfullina** (Institute of History, Academy of Sciences of Republic of Tatarstan; gsayfi@gmail.com)

“Traditions of Sufi Dhikr in the Musical-poetical Culture of Tatar Muslims”

Bahrinisso **Kobilova** (Academy of Sciences of Tajikistan; bahri60@mail.ru)

“Musical Culture of the Pamirs: Preservation and Documentation”

K. Anne **Pyburn** (Indiana University-Bloomington; apyburn@indiana.edu) and Aida **Abdykanova** (American University of Central Asia; apyburn@indiana.edu)

“The Value of Heritages”

Natalie **Kononenko** (University of Alberta; nataliek@ualberta.ca)

“Ukrainian Traditions in Canada and Kazakhstan”

CU-06 ♦ Place and Memory Politics

Schedule: Session 6 - Saturday morning, July 1

Chair: Moira **O’Shea** (University of Chicago; moshea@uchicago.edu)

Discussant: Gulnara **Aitpaeva** (Aigine Cultural Research Center; aitgul@yahoo.com)

Ketevan **Khutsishvili** (Ivane Javakhsishvili Tbilisi State University; ketevan.khutsishvili@tsu.ge)

“Correlation of Ethno-cultural Identity and Sacred Geography: The Case of IDPs of Shida Kartli, Georgia”

Iván **Szántó** (Eotvos Lorand University / Austrian Academy of Sciences; szanto.ivan@btk.elte.hu)

“The Shrine of Mir Sayyid ‘Ali Hamadani in Kulob and Its Contested Memory Space”

Elena **Paskaleva** (Leiden University; elpask@gmail.com)

“Commemorating Karimov in Samarkand”

CU-07 ♦ Symbolic Meanings in Changing Contexts

Schedule: Session 7 - Saturday morning, July 1

Chair: Radha **Raina** (Independent Scholar; radha.raina@gmail.com)

Discussant: Ali **Igmen** (California State University, Long Beach; ali.igmen@csulb.edu)

Aliya **Alimzhanova** (T. K. Zhurgenov Kazakh National Academy of Arts; asha.001@mail.ru)

“Semiotic Analysis of the Sign-symbolic System of Kazakh Art”

Lala **Hasanova** [Лала Тофиг кызы **Гасанова**] (Nizami Institute of Literature, Azerbaijan National Academy of Sciences; htlala@mail.ru)

“About Genre of Yusif Vezir Chemenzeminli’s ‘Diary of a Young Boy’ [К вопросу о жанре произведения «Дневник молодого юноши» Юсифа Везира Чемаземинли]”

Inzhuna **Karazhanova** (Independent Scholar; orianna1987@yandex.ru)

“Monstrous Women and Gender Borders in Kazakh Fairy Tales”

Yusen **Yu** (Heidelberg University; yuyusen@outlook.com)

“Buddhist Iconography in ‘Islamic’ Paintings of Century Asia and Iran”

Tursun **Gabitov** (Al-Farabi Kazakh National University; tursungabitov@mail.ru) and Zhanna

Kantarbayeva (Al-Farabi Kazakh National University; tursungabitov@mail.ru)

“Kazakh Culture in the Context Dialogue: The East and West”

Economy

EC-01 ♦ Unsustainable Economies?

Schedule: Session 1 - Thursday afternoon, June 29

Chair: [TBD]

Discussant: Christian **Timm** (Private University Goettingen) [TBC]

Rahat **Sabyrbekov** (American University of Central Asia; rahat.sabyrbekov@gmail.com)

“Don’t Blame the Herder for Pasture Degradation: Findings from Household Surveys in Kyrgyzstan”

Charles **Becker** (Duke University; cbecker@econ.duke.edu) and Nurgul **Ukueva** (American University of Central Asia; ukueva_n@auca.kg) and Kathryn H. **Anderson** (Vanderbilt University; kathryn.anderson@vanderbilt.edu)

“Urban and Rural Living Standards Differentials in the Kyrgyz Republic: Why Does Anyone Remain in the Countryside?”

Misook **Choi** (American University of Central Asia, Central Asian Studies Institute;

chloe4art@gmail.com)

“Rethinking Dead Industries”

Mustafa **Coşkun** (Eberhard-Karls-Universität Tübingen; coskun-mustafa@outlook.com)

“Between Ruination and Development: Shifting Political Economy and Livelihoods in Southern Kyrgyzstan”

EC-02 ♦ Development Challenges and Opportunities

Schedule: Session 2 - Friday morning, June 30

Chair: David **Pearce** World Bank / Asian Development Bank, USA; david_pearce25@hotmail.com)

Discussant: Charles **Becker** (Duke University; cbecker@econ.duke.edu)

Lorena **Lombardozi** (SOAS, University of London; 547213@soas.ac.uk)

“Patterns of Food Consumption and Crop Commercialization in the Uzbek Agrarian Change: Is Cotton in Competition with Quality Food?”

Young-Rae **Kim** (Mongolia International University; youngrae@miu.edu.mn)
“Current Status of International Tourism Network among Countries on Silk and Spice Routes:
The Role of Central Asia”

Mira **Nurmakhanova** (KIMEP University; miranur@kimep.kz)
“Oil and Growth Challenge in Kazakhstan”

Aislu **Taisarinova** (Kazakh-German University; taisarinova@gmail.com) and Zumratkhon **Sanakulova**
(Kazakh-German University; taisarinova@gmail.com)
“Feasibility Study on Perceptiveness of ‘Western Europe-Western China’ Transit Corridor
Influence on Development of Regions in the Republic of Kazakhstan”

EC-03 ♦ Growth and Development Patterns of Emerging Economies of Central Asia

Schedule: Session 3 - Friday morning, June 30

Chair: Jayarethanam **Pillai** (American University of Central Asia; jayarethanam_s@auca.kg)

Discussant: Gregory **Dunn** (American University of Central Asia; dunn_g@auca.kg)

Urmat **Tynaliyev** (Kazakh-British Technical University; u.tynaliyev@kbtu.kz) and Carolyn **Erdener**
(KIMEP University; u.tynaliyev@kbtu.kz)
“Money Attitudes among Business Students in Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan and Uzbekistan”

Salima **Bekbolotova** (American University of Central Asia; bekbolotova_s@mail.ru)
“The Effect of Economic Integration on Economic Wellbeing of a Latecomer Country: The Case
of Kyrgyzstan”

Mira **Nurmakhanova** (KIMEP University; miranur@kimep.kz)
“Oil and Growth Challenge in Kazakhstan”

EC-04 ♦ Women in New Economies

Schedule: Session 5 - Friday afternoon, June 30

Chair: [TBD]

Discussant: Cynthia **Buckley** (University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign; buckleyc@illinois.edu)

Azhar **Baisakalova** (KIMEP University; azhbeg@kimep.kz)
“Gendered Labor Market in Turbulent Times”

Anil **Kumar** (Guru Jambheshwar University of Science & Technology; anil_k6559@yahoo.co.uk)
“A Study of Business Barriers Faced by Women in Small Businesses”

Burulcha **Sulaimanova** (Kyrgyz-Turkish Manas University; sulaymanova@gmail.com)
“Gender Specific Determinants of International Migration in Kyrgyzstan”

Kamila **Kolpashnikova** (American University of Central Asia; kolpashnikova_k@auca.kg)
“Women’s Work: Decomposing the Gender Gap in Time Spent on Housework in Kyrgyzstan”

EC-05 ♦ State-Business-Relations in Eurasia: How State Forms Partnership for Economic Development

Schedule: Session 5 - Friday afternoon, June 30

Chair: Joachim **Ahrens** (Private University Goettingen; ahrens@pfh.de)

Discussant: Jayarethanam **Pillai** (American University of Central Asia; jayarethanam_s@auca.kg)

Diana **Usmanova** (University of Groningen; usmanova@gee-research.net)
“State-business Relations for Industrial Development: Determinants of Effective Cooperation
in Korea and Kazakhstan”

Tamar **Jugheli** (University of Groningen; jugheli@gee-research.net)
“State as Engine of Development: State-Business Partnership in the Agricultural Sector of
Georgia”

Zhanat **Murzakulova** (University of Groningen; murzakulova@gee-research.net) and Christian **Timm** (Private University Goettingen; murzakulova@gee-research.net)
“Localizing in a Globalized World: Creating Local Suppliers in Kazakhstan’s Industrialization and Diversification Strategy”

EC-06 ♦ Keeping Outside of the Formal Economy

Schedule: Session 6 - Saturday morning, July 1

Chair: David **Pearce** (World Bank / Asian Development Bank, USA; david_pearce25@hotmail.com)

Discussant: Irna **Hofman** (Leiden University; i.hofman@hum.leidenuniv.nl)

Gulzat **Botoeva** (University of Roehampton; botoevag@gmail.com)

“The Legitimation of Illegal Practices: The Case of Illegal Hashish Production in Rural Kyrgyzstan”

Abel **Polese** (Tallinn University; ap@tlu.ee) and Jeremy **Morris** (University of Aarhus; ap@tlu.ee)

“The Harmfulness and Harmlessness of Informality: An Exploration of Practices Happening in Spite of or Beyond the State in Former Socialist Spaces”

Emilia Roza **Sulek** (University of Zurich; emisulek@yahoo.com)

“‘Shh! It’s a Secret’: How to Keep Trade Secrets in Central Asia”

EC-07 ♦ Institutions and Economic Efficiency

Schedule: Session 7 - Saturday morning, July 1

Chair: [TBD]

Discussant: [TBD]

Ryota **Saito** (University of Tsukuba; noppo6@gmail.com)

“Actors’ Norms and Identities over Water Security in Uzbekistan: Positive Analysis from Water Consumer’s Associations”

Marat **Murzabekov** (Uppsala University; marat.murzabekov@kultgeog.uu.se)

“The Cartographic Heritage: The Role of the Cartographic Continuity in the Kyrgyz Pasture Management”

Irna **Hofman** (Leiden University; i.hofman@hum.leidenuniv.nl)

“Granted to Privatize, but Failed to Capitalize: Understanding the Role of Production Politics and Social Networks in Emerging Farm Typologies in Post-Soviet Tajikistan”

EC-08 ♦ Economic Activity and Social Process

Schedule: Session 8 - Saturday afternoon, July 1

Chair: [TBD]

Discussant: Abel **Polese** (Tallinn University; ap@tlu.ee)

Tamara **Mun** (American University of Central Asia; mun_t@auca.kg)

“Effects of Fertility Rate on Economic Growth”

Zurab **Gvelesiani** (Central European University; z.gvelesiani@gmail.com)

“Emergence of Consumer Societies within the Area of the Former Soviet Union on the Example of Georgia”

Denis **Ivanov** (University of Bologna; denis.ivanov@studio.unibo.it)

“Solutions to Dependence on Remittances in Tajikistan: A Comprehensive Look on Social and Economic Impact of Monetary Inflows”

EC-09 ♦ Environment and Economy

Schedule: Session 9 - Sunday morning, July 2

Chair: [TBD]

Discussant: Kanat **Sultanaliyev** (American University of Central Asia; sultanaliyev_k@auca.kg)

Murodbek **Laldjebaev** (Cornell University; University of Central Asia; mml243@cornell.edu)

“What Factors Influence Energy Use: Evidence from Mountain Communities of Tajikistan”

Kanaiym **Kydyralieva** (American University of Central Asia; kydyralieva_k@auca.kg) and Syrgak

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“Evaluating Investment Projects with Significant Environmental Impact in Central Asia”

Niels **Thevs** (World Agroforestry Center; n.thevs@cgiar.org), Victor **Martinez** (University of

Greifswald; victormartinezbolea@gmail.com), Volker **Beckmann** (University of Greifswald;

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ruslaan.200587@gmail.com), and Azim **Baibagysov** (Al-Farabi Kazakh National University;

azim.baibagysov@gmail.com)

“Ecosystem Services of the Ili Delta, Kazakhstan, and Willingness to Pay for Their Protection by Inhabitants of Almaty: An Interview-based Study”

Education

ED-01 ♦ Educational Reform Goals and Achievements

Schedule: Session 1 - Thursday afternoon, June 29

Chair: Christopher **Whitsel** (North Dakota State University; christopherwhitsel@gmail.com)

Discussant: Sarfaroz **Niyozov** (Aga Khan University Institute for Educational Development) [TBC]

Duishon **Shamatov** (Nazarbayev University, Graduate School of Education;

duishonkul.shamatov@nu.edu.kz) and Zhibek **Tleshova** (Academy of Public Administration

under the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan; duishonkul.shamatov@nu.edu.kz)

“Research Capacity Building of PhD Students in Kazakhstani Universities”

Zeynep Tuba **Sungur** (Middle East Technical University; tubasungur@hotmail.com)

“Education Policies of Afghanistan on National Identity Formation”

Yuhui **Li** (Rowan University; li@rowan.edu)

“Higher Education Reform, Assistance Program and OBOR Development in Xinjiang”

ED-02 ♦ Roundtable: From Soviet to European to Global?: Future Directions for Higher Education in Central Eurasia

Schedule: Session 2 - Friday morning, June 30

Chair: Isak **Froumin** (Higher School of Economics, Moscow; ifroumin@hse.ru)

Emma **Sabzalieva** (University of Toronto; emma.sabzalieva@mail.utoronto.ca)

Martha **Merrill** (Kent State University; mmerrill@kent.edu)

Zumrad **Kataeva** (Higher School of Economics, Moscow; zkataeva@hse.ru)

Chynarkul **Ryskulova** (Kent State University; cryskulo@kent.edu)

Sari **Eriksson** (University of Helsinki, Aleksanteri Institute; sari.eriksson@helsinki.fi)

ED-03 ♦ Roundtable: Educators and Their Environment

Schedule: Session 3 - Friday morning, June 30

Chair: [TBD]

Discussant: Chynarkul **Ryskulova** (Kent State University) [TBC]

Mir **Afzal** (Nazarbayev University; afzal.mir@nu.edu.kz) [TBC]

“Improving Quality of Education through Enhancement of Teachers’ Capacity: Policy Implications for Higher Education”

A. S. **CohenMiller** (Nazarbayev University; anna.cohenmiller@nu.edu.kz), Yelena **Tselenko** (JSC KAZGUU University; yelena.tselenko@nu.edu.kz), Svetlana **Ogay** (Nazarbayev University; svetlana.ogay@nu.edu.kz), Aigul **Shakhmanova** (Kazakh Ablai Khan University of International Relations and World Languages; aigul.shakhmanova@nu.edu.kz), Amina **Saburova** (Nazarbayev University; amina.saburova@nu.edu.kz), Roza **Sagitova** (Olis Language School; roza.sagitova@nu.edu.kz), and Jalalidin **Jaenbai** (Zayed University; jaenbai@yahoo.com)
“Conceptualizing a Family-friendly Campus: A Qualitative Study in Kazakhstan”

Jalalidin **Jaenbai** (Zayed University; jaenbai@yahoo.com)

“Teaching Here and There: Comparing University Faculty Work in Kyrgyzstan and USA”

ED-04 ♦ What Education Gets You

Schedule: Session 4 - Friday afternoon, June 30

Chair: [TBD]

Discussant: [TBC]

Christopher **Whitsel** (North Dakota State University; christopherwhitsel@gmail.com)

“The Educational Market in Tajikistan and Kazakhstan: A View from Parents”

Zhazira **Turlanbekova** (Kazakh-British Technical University; zturlanb@kent.edu)

“Comparative Higher Education of Present and Past Kazakhstan”

Fariza **Tolesh** (Nazarbayev University; fariza.tolesh@nu.edu.kz) and Adele **Del Sordi** (University of Amsterdam; fariza.tolesh@nu.edu.kz)

“Is the ‘Bolashak Syndrome’ Real?: The Expectations, Employment and Innovation Potential of Kazakhstani Graduates Returning from Abroad”

ED-05 ♦ Book Panel: Educational Policies in Pakistan, Afghanistan, and Tajikistan: Contested Terrain in the Twenty-First Century

Schedule: Session 4 - Friday afternoon, June 30

Chair: Sarfaroz **Niyozov** (Aga Khan University Institute for Educational Development; sarfaroz.niyozov@aku.edu)

Discussant: Duishon **Shamatov** (Nazarbayev University; duishonkul.shamatov@nu.edu.kz)

Dilshad **Ashraf** (Aga Khan University Institute for Educational Development; dilshad.ashraf@aku.edu)

Mir **Afzal** (Nazarbayev University, Graduate School of Education; afzal.mir@nu.edu.kz)

Shama **Dossa** (Aga Khan Foundation / University of Central Asia; shama.dossa@gmail.com)

ED-06 ♦ European Higher Education Reforms in Central Asia

Schedule: Session 5 - Friday afternoon, June 30

Chair: Bermet **Tursunkulova** (American University of Central Asia; tursunkulova_b@auca.kg)

Discussant: Martha **Merrill** (Kent State University; mmerrill@kent.edu)

Zumrad **Kataeva** (Higher School of Economics, Moscow; zkataeva@hse.ru)

“Central Asian Universities in the Era of the Bologna Process: Challenges and Ways of Adaptations”

Sari **Eriksson** (University of Helsinki, Aleksanteri Institute; sari.eriksson@helsinki.fi)

“National and International Justifications for Higher Education Reforms in Kyrgyzstan”

Chynarkul **Ryskulova** (Kent State University; cryskulo@kent.edu)

“Faculty Attitudes towards Independent Accreditation of Pedagogical Programs”

ED-07 ♦ Central Asian Perspective on Measurement of Educational Quality

Note: Mixed language (Russian, English)

Schedule: Session 6 - Saturday morning, July 1

Chair: Abakir **Mamytov** (Kyrgyz Academy of Education; abakir.mamytov@mail.ru)

Discussant: Julia **Levin** (Kyrgyz Academy of Education; levin.julia.10@gmail.com)

Nurgul **Uteumagambetova** [Нургүл **Утеумагамбетова**] (National Testing Center of Ministry of Education and Science of the Republic of Kazakhstan; solnse_n92@mail.ru)

“Development of the First Regional Large-scale Assessment Instrument from the Perspective of Kazakhstan”

Khairullo **Mirzoaminov** [Хайрулло **Мирзоаминов**] (National Testing Center under the President of the Republic of the Tajikistan; mxm.1969@mail.ru)

“Assessment Design of Central Asia Program for Student Assessment in the Context of Tajikistan”

Mira **Mykyeva** [Мира **Мыкева**] (Ministry of Education Kyrgyzstan; mira.mykyeva@mail.ru)

“Providing Information for Educational Quality Improvement in Context of Kyrgyzstan”

Gozel **Nobatova** [Гозель **Нобатова**] (Ministry of Education Turkmenistan; owadan87@mail.ru)

“Lessons Learned from the First Regional Large-scale Assessment in Turkmenistan”

ED-08 ♦ The Shifting Landscapes of Post-Soviet Higher Education

Schedule: Session 7 - Saturday morning, July 1

Chair: Zumrad **Kataeva** (Higher School of Economics, Moscow; zkataeva@hse.ru)

Discussant: Isak **Froumin** (Higher School of Economics, Moscow; ifroumin@hse.ru)

Dmitry **Semyonov** (Higher School of Economics, Moscow; dsemyonov@hse.ru) and Daria **Platonova** (HSE University, Moscow; dsemyonov@hse.ru)

“Expansion and Transformations of Higher Education Systems: The Case of Post-Soviet Countries”

Martha **Merrill** (Kent State University; mmerrill@kent.edu)

“Inequality in Quality or Dismissing Dualisms: Higher Education in Kazakhstan and Kyrgyzstan”

Emma **Sabzalieva** (University of Toronto; emma.sabzalieva@mail.utoronto.ca)

“Conceptualizing Change in Post-Soviet Higher Education”

ED-09 ♦ Roundtable: Twenty-five Years of Transition and Secondary School Transformation in Post-Soviet Countries

Schedule: Session 8 - Saturday afternoon, July 1

Chair: Bohdan **Krawchenko** (University of Central Asia; bohdan.krawchenko@ucentralasia.org)

Isak **Froumin** (Higher School of Economics, Moscow; ifroumin@hse.ru)

Elena **Minina** (Higher School of Economics, Moscow; evminina@hse.ru)

Valentin **Deychman** (Soros Foundation/Kyrgyzstan; valya@soros.kg)

Duishon **Shamatov** (Nazarbayev University; duishonkul.shamatov@nu.edu.kz)

Mir **Afzal** (Nazarbayev University, Graduate School of Education; afzal.mir@nu.edu.kz)

ED-10 ♦ Roundtable: Introduction of Traditional Knowledge in Educational Process

Note: Mixed language (English, Russian)

Schedule: Session 9 - Sunday morning, July 2

Chair: Murat **Aitmatov** [Мурат **Айтматов**] (Kyrgyz National Agrarian University; bdc-knau.kg@mail.ru)

Discussant: Jyldyz **Doolbekova** (Christensen Fund; jyldyz@christensenfund.org)

Gulnara **Botokanova** [Гульнара **Ботоканова**] (Kyrgyz National Agrarian University; botokanova@rambler.ru)

“Introduction of Traditional Knowledge in Educational Process”

Cholpon **Turdalieva** (American University of Central Asia; turdalieva@gmail.com)

“Protection of Biocultural Diversity through Museums: Reality or Utopia?”

Almagul **Osmonova** (Taalim-Forum Public Foundation; taalimforum@gmail.com)

“Traditional Ecological Knowledge Integrated in School Education”

ED-11 ♦ Roundtable: Internationalization of Education

Schedule: Session 10 - Sunday morning, July 2

Chair: Tamo **Chattopadhyay** (Columbia University; tamo.chattopadhyay@gmail.com)

Discussant: A. S. **CohenMiller** (Nazarbayev University) [TBC]

Nazgul **Mingisheva** (Karaganda State Medical University; nazgulm2006@gmail.com)

“Internationalization on Higher Education in Kazakhstan: The Case of the Medical University”

Svetlana **Zhanabayeva** (International Information Technology University; szhana@aim.com) and Meirimkul **Tuleup** (Almaty University of Power and Telecommunications; szhana@aim.com)

“Innovative Methods of Teaching English and Kazakh for Professional Purposes at Technical Universities of Kazakhstan”

Riyaz Ahmad **Sheikh** (University of Kashmir Hazratbal Srinagar; rriyazmilan@gmail.com)

“Internationalization and Ex-Soviet Uzbek Higher Education Scenario: A Global Perspective”

Shynar **Imangaliyeva** (Narxoz University; shynar.imangaliyeva@narxoz.kz)

“Internationalization at Home in the Context of Student-centered Policy of Kazakhstani Universities”

History

HI-01 ♦ Shaping the Soviet Body Politic

Schedule: Session 1 - Thursday afternoon, June 29

Chair: Ali **Igmen** (California State University, Long Beach; ali.igmen@csulb.edu)

Discussant: Marianne **Kamp** (Indiana University-Bloomington; mkamp@indiana.edu)

Mirlan **Bektursunov** (Hokkaido University; tegin07@gmail.com)

“Making Soviet Kyrgyzstan: First Soviet Kyrgyz Elite and the Soviet Power, 1917-1925”

Vsevolod **Kritskiy** (Graduate Institute of Geneva; vsevolod.kritskiy@graduateinstitute.ch)

“Kirghiz Autonomous Socialist Soviet Republic in the Wake of National Delimitation: State Building in the Newly Delimited Regions”

Zarine **Dzhandosova** [Заринэ **Джандосова**] (St.-Petersburg University;

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“‘Female Question’ in the Documents of Semirechye Regional Department of National Affairs, 1918-1919”

Bolot **Abdrakhmanov** (Institute of State National Security Committee of the Kyrgyz Republic named after Lieutenant General A. K. Bakaev; bolot.a.1958@mail.ru) and Zuhra **Altyмышhova** (Kyrgyz-Turkish Manas University; bolot.a.1958@mail.ru)
“Activities of Security Bodies of Soviet Kyrgyzstan in Mass Repressions, 1937-1938”

HI-02 ♦ Geographies of Identity in Soviet and Post-Soviet Central Asia

Schedule: Session 2 - Friday morning, June 30

Chair: Gulnara **Mendikulova** (Al-Farabi Kazakh National University; gmendikul@hotmail.com)

Discussant: Ian **Campbell** (University of California, Davis; iwcampbell@gmail.com)

Anna **Whittington** (University of Michigan; annawhit@umich.edu)

“World War II and the Making of Soviet Citizens in Central Asia”

Mara **Gubaidullina** (Al-Farabi Kazakh National University; gubaidullinamara1@gmail.com)

“Integration Processes and Projects in Central Asia: A Comparative Perspective”

Bahodoor **Kosimi** (Academy of Mass Communication; bahodoor@gmail.com)

“Cultural Integration in Post-Soviet Space under Intensifying Migration and Nationalist Pressure”

HI-03 ♦ Imagining Nationhood in the Caucasus

Schedule: Session 3 - Friday morning, June 30

Chair: Thomas **Wier** (Free University of Tbilisi; t.wier@freeuni.edu.ge)

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Sarah **Slye** (Independent Scholar; zzslye@gmail.com)

“Calling for Unity in the Caucasus, 1917-1921”

Timothy K. **Blauvelt** (Ilia State University/American Councils for International Education: ACTR/ACCELS; timothy.blauvelt@iliauni.edu.ge)

“Nationalism, Mobilization and Clientalism in Post-Stalinist Abkhazia, 1953-1967”

Donnacha **O Beachain** (Dublin City University; donnacha.obeachain@dcu.ie)

“Nation-building and Elections in Abkhazia”

HI-04 ♦ Imperial Projects of Economic Transformation

Schedule: Session 3 - Friday morning, June 30

Chair: Beatrice **Penati** (Nazarbayev University; bpenati@nu.edu.kz)

Discussant: Gulmira **Sultangalieva** (Al-Farabi Kazakh National University; rosa_1933@rambler.ru)

Jack **Seitz** (Iowa State University; jkseitz@iastate.edu)

“Unsettling Agronomists: Agricultural Schools and Experiment Stations on the Kazakh Steppe, 1904-1917”

Yuan **Gao** (European University at St. Petersburg; yuan.gao@nu.edu.kz)

“Make Horses Better?: Horse Breeding and Russian Colonization of Turkestan, 1870-1910”

Bakhtiyor **Alimdjanov** (Saint-Petersburg State University; felix_1985@mail.ru)

“Russian Merchants in Turkestan: The Case of N. I. Ivanov”

HI-05 ♦ Reading the Colonial Archives in Central Asia: Along and Against the Grain

Schedule: Session 4 - Friday afternoon, June 30

Chair: Timothy K. **Blauvelt** (American Councils / Ilia State University; timothy.blauvelt@iliauni.edu.ge)

Discussant: Paolo **Sartori** (Institute of Iranian Studies, Austrian Academy of Sciences; paolo.sartori@oeaw.ac.at)

Ian **Campbell** (University of California, Davis; iwcampbell@gmail.com)

“‘There Is No Road To What Has Passed Away Irretrievably’: Networks, Archives, and the Triumph of Resettlement Statistics, 1896-1917”

Alexander **Morrison** (Nazarbayev University; alexander.morrison@nu.edu.kz)

“‘Protokol Doznaniya’: Investigations and Interrogations in Russian Turkestan”

Cholpon **Turdaliev**a (American University of Central Asia; turdalieva@gmail.com)

“Excursion into Otherness through the Book of Ellsworth Huntington, ‘The Pulse of Asia’”

HI-06 ♦ Archaeological Evidence of Premodern Eurasian Cultures

Schedule: Session 4 - Friday afternoon, June 30

Chair: Ablet **Kamalov** (Turan University, Almaty; abletk@yahoo.com)

Discussant: Aida **Abdykanova** (American University of Central Asia; abdykanova@gmail.com)

Aidyn **Zhuniskhanov** (Nazarbayev University; aidyn.zhuniskhanov@nu.edu.kz)

“The Kimak Problem in Semey Region”

Alexander **Pachkalov** (Financial University, Moscow; zolornum@mail.ru)

“Numismatics as a Source for History of Golden Horde Cities”

Dmitry **Vasilyev** (Institute of Oriental Studies of the Russian Academy of Sciences; dmivas46@mail.ru)

“New Oldturkic Script form South Siberia with Tamga of Kyrgyz Rulers”

Mohammad Ajmal **Shah** (University of Kashmir Hazratbal Srinagar; shahajmal7@gmail.com)

“Archaeological Studies of Migration Routes from Central Asia to Kashmir, India”

HI-07 ♦ Author-Critic Forum: Visions of Justice by Paolo Sartori

Schedule: Session 5 - Friday afternoon, June 30

Chair: Svetlana **Jacquesson** (American University of Central Asia, Central Asian Studies Institute; jacquessonsvetlana@gmail.com)

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HI-08 ♦ Central Asian Parts and the Soviet Whole

Schedule: Session 6 - Saturday morning, July 1

Chair: Anna **Whittington** (University of Michigan; annawhit@umich.edu)

Discussant: Beatrice **Penati** (Nazarbayev University; bpenati@nu.edu.kz)

Charles **Shaw** (Central European University; shawc@ceu.edu)

“Overcoming Nationality in War: Reconceptualizing Uzbek Participation in World War II”

Isaac **Scarborough** (London School of Economics and Political Science; i.scarborough@lse.ac.uk)

“Tajikistan as a ‘Subsidized’ Socialist Republic: Reconsidering the Evidence”

Mauricio **Borrero** (St. John's University; borrerom@stjohns.edu)

“The USSR Football League as a Microcosm of the Soviet Nationalities Question”

HI-09 ♦ Social Order on the Edges of Empire

Schedule: Session 6 - Saturday morning, July 1

Chair: Dina **Amanzholova** (Institute of Russian History; amanzholova19@mail.ru)

Discussant: Hideyuki **Naganuma** (University of Tokyo; naganuma_hide0630@yahoo.co.jp)

Ablet **Kamalov** (Turan University, Almaty; abletk@yahoo.com)

“Adoption of Child as a Form of Bondage in Kashgaria during the Republican Period”

Nurlan **Kabdylkhak** (Nazarbayev University; n.kabdylkhak@gmail.com)

“The Shala-Qazaqs: A Legal and Ethnic Category in the 19th Century Kazakh Steppe”

Khilola **Nazirova** (Al-Beruni Center for Oriental Manuscripts/Tashkent State Institute of Oriental Studies; oybonu@gmail.com)

“Tuzemets and Chuzhemets: A Local Point of View”

HI-10 ♦ The Role of the Kazakh Elite in Formation of Local Management in 19th -Beginning of 20 Centuries

Note: Mixed language (Russian, English)

Schedule: Session 7 - Saturday morning, July 1

Chair: Alexander **Morrison** (Nazarbayev University; alexander.morrison@nu.edu.kz)

Discussant: Beatrice **Penati** (Nazarbayev University; bpenati@nu.edu.kz)

Gulmira **Sultangalieva** [Гульмира Султангалиева] (Al-Farabi Kazakh National University; rosa_1933@rambler.ru)

“Deputies of Inner Horde as Officials of the Local Management of the Empire: Personalities, Activities (19th Century)”

Tenlik **Dalayeve** [Тенлик Далаева] (Abai Kazakh National Pedagogical University; tenlik95@gmail.com)

“Vybornye (Electors) in Kazakh Volosts (the Second Half of the 19th Century-Early 20th Century): Functions and Specific Activities”

Dina **Amanzholova** [Дина Аманжолова] (Institute of Russian History; amanzholova19@mail.ru)

“Leaders of Kazakh ASSR in Beginning of the 1920s and the Establishment of Soviet Statehood”

HI-11 ♦ Premodern Transformations of Regional Integration

Schedule: Session 7 - Saturday morning, July 1

Chair: [TBD]

Discussant: [TBD]

Ali Mohammad **Tarafdari** (National Library & Archives of Iran; tarafdary@yahoo.com)

“Barmakids and Intellectual Exchange between Buddhist and Muslims World during Abbasid Caliphate”

Nilgün **Dalkesen** (Istanbul Medeniyet University; dalkesen2014@gmail.com)

“Sati Bik and the Post-Ilkhanid Middle East”

Zahid **Anwar** (University of Peshawar; zauop@yahoo.com) and **Sumaira** (University of Peshawar; zauop@yahoo.com)

“Geostrategic Significance of Kabul under Mughals, 1504-1738”

HI-12 ♦ Early Soviet Transformations of Agriculture and Their Aftermaths

Schedule: Session 8 - Saturday afternoon, July 1

Chair: Isaac **Scarborough** (London School of Economics and Political Science; i.scarborough@lse.ac.uk)

Discussant: Charles **Shaw** (Central European University; shawc@ceu.edu)

Marianne **Kamp** (Indiana University-Bloomington; mkamp@indiana.edu)

“Uzbekistan’s Collectivization Compared”

Beatrice **Penati** (Nazarbayev University; bpenati@nu.edu.kz)

“There Are No Kulaks in Uzbekistan: Class Ascription, Final Liquidation, and Their Enemies”

Mehmet Volkan **Kaşıkcı** (Arizona State University; mehmet.kasikci@asu.edu)

“Orphans of the Famine: Rethinking Sovietization in Central Asia”

HI-13 ♦ Imperial Institutions and Local Practices

Schedule: Session 8 - Saturday afternoon, July 1

Chair: Yuan **Gao** (European University at St. Petersburg; yuan.gao@nu.edu.kz)

Discussant: Ali **Igmen** (California State University, Long Beach; ali.igmen@csulb.edu)

Hideyuki **Naganuma** (University of Tokyo; naganuma_hide0630@yahoo.co.jp)

“The Transition of Russia’s Perception about the Borderline over the Kazakh Steppe, 1820s-1860s”

Khushnodbek **Abdurasulov** (Al-Beruni Center for Oriental Manuscripts/Tashkent State Institute of Oriental Studies; leroy_brown@mail.ru)

“On the Introduction of Russian Units of Measure in Turkestan or Hār Jāyning Ūz Tāsh-Tarāzisi Bār”

Dono **Ziyaeva** (Mirzo Ulugbek National University of Uzbekistan; dono61@mail.ru)

“Traditional Medicine in Turkestan at the End of the 19th-Beginning of the 20th Centuries”

HI-14 ♦ Sources and Perspectives on 19th and Early 20th Century Legacies

Schedule: Session 9 - Sunday morning, July 2

Chair: Jack **Seitz** (Iowa State University; jbseitz@iastate.edu)

Discussant: Ablet **Kamalov** (Turan University, Almaty; abletk@yahoo.com)

Aigerim **Alzhanova** (Al-Farabi Kazakh National University; aikosha_ab@mail.ru)

“Historical and Literary Materials about Kazakhstan the 19th Century”

Anton **Ikhsanov** (Independent Scholar; antonx2301@icloud.com)

“Turkmen Informants of A. N. Samoylovich (1880-1938): The Collection and Studies of Turkmen Historical Heritage and Way of Life”

Azim **Malikov** (Mirzo Ulugbek National University of Uzbekistan; azim_malikov@yahoo.com)

“The Tribal Stories of the Ming and Yuz of the Samarkand Province in the 19th-Early 20th Centuries”

HI-15 ♦ Discussion of Walking Tour of Bishkek

Schedule: Session 9 - Sunday morning, July 2

Chair: Yuri **Boyanin** (La Trobe University; yuri@yuriboyanin.com)

HI-16 ♦ Kazakh Steppe and the Russian Empire: Social Changes in Process of the Reforms (19th-Early 20th Centuries)

Note: Mixed language (Russian, English)

Schedule: Session 10 - Sunday morning, July 2

Chair: Gulmira **Sultangalieva** (Al-Farabi Kazakh National University; rosa_1933@rambler.ru)

Discussant: Tenlik **Dalayeva** (Abai Kazakh National Pedagogical University; tenlik95@gmail.com)

Ulzhan **Tuleshova** (Al-Farabi Kazakh National University; tuleshova.ulzhan@gmail.com)

“Entry of Kazakhs into Privileged Estates of the Russian Empire”

Bakhytzhan **Malikov** [Бахытжан **Маликов**] (Al-Farabi Kazakh National University; malikov_bakytjan@mail.ru)

“The Volost Rulers as Intermediaries between the Russian Government and Nomadic Society”

Aigul **Bimoldanova** [Айгүль **Бимолданова**] (Abai Kazakh National Pedagogical University; malaeva96@mail.ru)

“Social Portrait of the Kazakh Volost Rulers of the Steppe Region, 19th-Early 20th Centuries”

International Relations

IR-01 ♦ Geopolitical Imagination

Schedule: Session 1 - Thursday afternoon, June 29

Chair: [TBD]

Discussant: Assel **Bitabarova** (Hokkaido University; assel.bitabar@gmail.com)

Gulnara **Dadabayeva** (KIMEP University; gdadabaeva@mail.ru)

“Eurasian Union: Is It an Attempt to Restore a Soviet Union?”

Edward **Wastnidge** (Open University; edward.wastnidge@open.ac.uk)

“Central Asia in the Iranian Geopolitical Imagination”

Khalida **Nurmetova** (Freie Universität Berlin; khalidanur@yahoo.com)

“Security Threats in Central Asia and the ‘Danger Discourse’: Hype or Reality?”

George **Sanikidze** (Ilia State University; gsany@yahoo.com)

“Iran and the South Caucasian Countries: Mutual Historical Perceptions and Modern Political Realities”

IR-02 ♦ Political Events and International Ramifications

Schedule: Session 1 - Thursday afternoon, June 29

Chair: [TBD]

Discussant: Gulnara **Dadabayeva** (KIMEP University; gdadabaeva@mail.ru)

Noemi Maria **Rocca** (University of Coimbra; roccanoemi1@gmail.com)

“Evolution and Continuity in Iran’s Foreign Policy towards Southern Caucasus and Central Asia”

Guner **Ozkan** (Necmettin Erbakan University, Konya; gunerozkan005@yahoo.com)

“Turkish Foreign Policy towards Central Asian Turkic States after the 15 July 2016 Attempted Coup in Turkey”

Enayatollah **Yazdani** (University of Isfahan; eyazdan@ase.ui.ac.ir)

“The Impact of Central Asia’s Internal Dynamics on Its External Relations”

IR-03 ♦ Articulation of External Interests and Internal Dynamics

Schedule: Session 2 - Friday morning, June 30

Chair: [TBD]

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Kelly **Hammond** (University of Arkansas; kah018@uark.edu)

“An Axis Moment: Convergences between Japanese and German Interests in Central Asia during WWII”

Thomas Stephan **Eder** (Mercator Institute for China Studies; thomas.eder@merics.de)

“Challenges to Sino-Russian Rapprochement in Central Asia”

Ragnar **Skre** (Independent Scholar; ragnar.skre@gmail.com)

“Through the Backdoor: Expert Knowledge as Power”

IR-04 ♦ Central Asia’s International Interactions: Identity, Politics, Domination

Schedule: Session 3 - Friday morning, June 30

Chair: Marlene **Laruelle** (George Washington University; laruelle@gwu.edu)

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Selbi **Hanova** (University of St Andrews; sh219@st-andrews.ac.uk)

“In Search of Security of Identity of the State: Cases from Central Asia”

Elham **Gharji** (University of Coimbra; egharji@gmail.com)

“Foreign Policy Dynamics in Post-Soviet Central Eurasia: Central Asian States and Shaping of the Regional Order”

Zhanibek **Arynov** (University of St Andrews; za24@st-andrews.ac.uk)

“Between Opportunity and Threat: Images of the EU in Kazakhstan and Kyrgyzstan”

Shairbek **Dzhuraev** (University of St Andrews; shairbek@gmail.com)

“The Politics of Foreign Policy in New States: The Case of Post-Soviet Kyrgyzstan”

IR-05 ♦ International Image and Influence

Schedule: Session 4 - Friday afternoon, June 30

Chair: [TBD]

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Assel **Bitabarova** (Hokkaido University; assel.bitabar@gmail.com)

“Chinese Thinking about Central Asia: Official Narratives, Expert Perceptions, and Evolving Policies”

Gaukhar **Nursha** (Al-Farabi Kazakh National University; gaukhar.nursha@gmail.com)

“Chinese Soft Power in Kazakhstan and Kyrgyzstan: A Confucius Institutes Case-study”

Bernardo **Teles Fazendeiro** (University of St Andrews; btfazendeiro@gmail.com)

“Civilizational Rhetoric in Uzbekistan’s Foreign Policy: A Consequence of International Misrecognition of Status?”

IR-06 ♦ Multilateralism and Security Solutions

Schedule: Session 4 - Friday afternoon, June 30

Chair: Medet **Tiulegenov** (American University of Central Asia; tiulegenov@gmail.com)

Discussant: Marissa **Quie** (University of Cambridge; mq10000@cam.ac.uk)

Kamen **Velichkov** (L. N. Gumilyov Eurasian National University; kvelichkov@hotmail.com)

“Emerging Regional Powers in International Mediation: The Case of Kazakhstan”

Aliya **Tskhay** (OSCE Academy in Bishkek; at99@st-andrews.ac.uk)

“Providing the Middle Ground: Kazakhstan’s Efforts in Conflict Mediation in Syrian and Ukrainian Conflicts”

Kamilla **Usmanova** (Jean Moulin University Lyon 3; kamilla.d.usmanova@gmail.com)

“Managing Security Risks Collectively: Multilateral Cooperation between Russia and Central Asia in Afghanistan’s Stabilization, 1991-2016”

IR-07 ♦ Regional Cooperation: Successes and Challenges

Schedule: Session 5 - Friday afternoon, June 30

Chair: [TBD]

Discussant: [TBD]

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“The OSCE in the 21st Century: A Simulacrum in International Affairs?”

Jildiz **Nicharapova** (American University of Central Asia; jildiz.nicharapova@yahoo.fr)

“Why the Shanghai Cooperation Organization Does Not Work”

Ann-Sophie **Gast** (Freie Universität Berlin; a.gast@transnationalstudies.eu)

“Regionalism in Eurasia: Explaining Governance Transfers to Regional Organizations”

IR-08 ♦ International Organizations in Central Asia 25+: Norms, Targets, Impact, (Unintended) Externalities, Alternatives - Panel 1

Schedule: Session 6 - Saturday morning, July 1

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“Benefactor, Industry or Intruder?: Perceptions of International Organizations in Central Asia: The Case of the OSCE in Tajikistan”

Philipp **Lottholz** (University of Birmingham; pxl167@bham.ac.uk) and Chynara **Temirova** (University of Central Asia; pxl167@bham.ac.uk)

“The Song Remains the Same?: International Organizations’ Contribution to Development, Peace and Security in Kyrgyzstan”

Oleg **Korneev** (University of Paris 13; oleg.vl.korneev@gmail.com)

“Practicing What They Preach: International Organizations and Communities of Practice in Central Asian Migration Governance Field”

IR-09 ♦ International Organizations in Central Asia 25+: Norms, Targets, Impact, (Unintended) Externalities, Alternatives - Panel 2

Schedule: Session 7 - Saturday morning, July 1

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Payam **Foroughi** (OSCE Academy in Bishkek; p.foroughi@osce-academy.net) and Inna **Kuzmenko** (Independent Scholar; p.foroughi@osce-academy.net)

“Measuring Liberal Norms: Ranking and Rating OSCE’s Participating States via the New ‘Index of Comprehensive Security’”

Liga **Rudzite** (Tallinn University of Technology; ligarudzite@yahoo.com)

“Multiple Aims, One Management: Neoliberal Moralization within Development Cooperation Practices of Donors Representing Differing Aid Regimes: The Case of Kyrgyzstan”

Khushbakht **Hojiev** (University of Bonn; khush.hojiev@gmail.com)

“Production and ‘Maintenance’ of Everyday Peace in Jabbor Rasulov of Tajikistan”

IR-10 ♦ Development and the International Order

Schedule: Session 8 - Saturday afternoon, July 1

Chair: [TBD]

Discussant: Payam **Foroughi** (OSCE Academy in Bishkek) [TBC]

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“New Donor Strategies: Implications for NGOs in Post-Soviet Kyrgyzstan”

Reina **Artur kyzy** (American University of Central Asia; artur_k@auca.kg)

“Comparative Analysis of Civil Societies: Islam and Foreign Aid Factors in Post-Soviet Central Asia”

Marissa **Quie** (University of Cambridge; mq10000@cam.ac.uk)

“The Migration/Aid Nexus: The European Union and Afghanistan”

IR-11 ♦ Border Problems and Security Strategies

Schedule: Session 9 - Sunday morning, July 2

Chair: [TBD]

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Rustam **Burnashev** (Al-Farabi Kazakh National University; burnashev@hotmail.com)

“Central Asia: The Power of Weak States”

Beishenbek **Toktogulov** (Kastamonu University; btoktogulov@kastamonu.edu.tr)

“The Failure of Settlement on Kyrgyz-Uzbek Border Issues: An Absence of Diplomacy?”

Andrea **Zinzani** (University of Manchester; andrea.zinzani@gmail.com) and Filippo **Menga**

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“The Circle of Hydro-Hegemony between Riparian States and Development Policies: Evidence from the Talas Transboundary Waterscape (Kyrgyzstan-Kazakhstan)”

IR-12 ♦ From Integration of Experts towards Integration of the Region

Note: Mixed language (Russian, English)

Schedule: Session 10 - Sunday morning, July 2

Chair: Tolganay **Umbetaliyeva** (Friedrich Ebert Stiftung; umbetali@yahoo.com)

Discussant: Sardor **Salimov** (Independent Scholar; sardor.salimov@gmail.com)

Farkhad **Tolipov** (Caravan of Knowledge, Tashkent; farkhad_tolipov@yahoo.com)

“Five States and/or One Region?: National-regional Dualism in Central Asia”

Sanat **Kushkumbayev** [Санат **Кышкымбаев**] (Kazakhstan Institute for Strategic Studies under the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan; kushkumbayev@yahoo.com)

“Central Asia: External Construction of the Region”

Tamerlan **Ibraimov** (Centre for Legal and Political Studies, Bishkek; tibraimov@gmail.com) and

Abdugani **Mamadazimov** (Tajik National University; tibraimov@gmail.com)

“Silk Democracy in Central Asia: Political Commons and Peculiarities of the Region’s Countries”

Elmira **Nogoibayeva** [Эльмира **Ногойбаева**] (Polis Asia, Bishkek; e.nogoibaeva@gmail.com)

“The State and Islam in Central Asia”

Linguistics and Language

LI-01 ♦ Current Work in the Field of Turkic Linguistics

Schedule: Session 3 - Friday morning, June 30

Chair: Loren **Billings** (American University of Central Asia; billings_l@auca.kg)

Discussant: Irina **Nevskaya** (Frankfurt University; nevskeya@em.uni-frankfurt.de)

- Mahire **Yakup** (Nazarbayev University; yakefu.mayila@nu.edu.kz) and Ruslan **Arziyev** (Institute for In-service Training of Teachers, Almaty; yakefu.mayila@nu.edu.kz)
“Loanwords in Uyghur: Phonetically Driven or Phonologically Driven?”
- Joshua **Meyer** (University of Arizona; joshuameyer@email.arizona.edu)
“Language Technologies in Central Asia”
- Denis **Tokmashev** (Tomsk Polytechnic University; kogutei@yandex.ru)
“Substrate Phenomena in Tomsk Tatar”
- Alexander **Sugar** (University of Washington; sugara@uw.edu)
“Situation Aspect Type of Uyghur Auxiliary Verbs”
- Jonathan **Washington** (Swarthmore College; jonathan.washington@swarthmore.edu) and Francis **Tyers** (University of Tromsø; jonathan.washington@swarthmore.edu)
“Towards a Systematic Functional Description of Turkic Nominal Morphosyntax”

LI-02 ♦ Linguistic Change

Schedule: Session 4 - Friday afternoon, June 30

- Chair:* Loren **Billings** (American University of Central Asia; billings_l@auca.kg)
- Discussant:* Elmira **Orazaliyeva** (Nazarbayev University) [TBC]
- Giulia **Cabras** (Qinghai University for Nationalities; giulia.cabras@inalco.fr)
“Ethnogenesis and Language Contact in Amdo Tibet: The Oral Narratives of the Wutun Language Community”
- Fatma **Sahan Guney** [Fatma **Şahan Güney**] (Muğla Sıtkı Koçman University; fsahan2003@yahoo.com)
“Is Volga Vowel Shift Turkic Induced?: Further Evidence from Caucasian Turkic Languages”
- Irina **Nevskaya** (Frankfurt University; nevs kaya@em.uni-frankfurt.de) and Saule **Tazhibayeva** (L. N. Gumilyov Eurasian National University; nevs kaya@em.uni-frankfurt.de)
“Sociolinguistic Situation of Turkic Ethnicities Deported to Kazakhstan”

LI-03 ♦ Language Contact in Kazakhstan: Social Aspects

Schedule: Session 5 - Friday afternoon, June 30

- Chair:* Jonathan **Washington** (Swarthmore College; jonathan.washington@swarthmore.edu)
- Discussant:* Mahire **Yakup** (Nazarbayev University; yakefu.mayila@nu.edu.kz)
- Elmira **Orazaliyeva** (Nazarbayev University; elmira.orazaliyeva@nu.edu.kz)
“Language Policy and Language Contacts in Kazakhstan: Sociolinguistic Issues”
- Gulnar **Akanova** (Nazarbayev University; gulnar.akanova@nu.edu.kz)
“Language Ideologies among Kazakhstani Youth”
- Nailya **Salimbayeva** (Nazarbayev University; nailya.salimbayeva@nu.edu.kz)
“Sociolinguistic Aspects of Kazakh-Russian-English Code-Switching”

LI-04 ♦ Development of the State Language in a Multilingual Society

Note: Mixed language (Kyrgyz, Russian)

Schedule: Session 6 - Saturday morning, July 1

Chair: [TBD]

- Discussant:* Karlygash **Sarekenova** (L. N. Gumilyov Eurasian National University; sarekenova_kk@enu.kz)
- Gulzura **Jumakunova** [Гүльзура **Жумакунова**] (Ankara University; gulzura@gmail.com)
“The Importance of Regulating Internal and External Resources for the Development of the State Language”

Gulnara **Jamasheva** [Гульнара **Жамашева**] (National Academy of Sciences of the Kyrgyz Republic; gulnaraj_an@mail.ru)

“Russian and English Loanwords in Kyrgyz Language”

Zina **Karaeva** [Зина **Караева**] (International University of Kyrgyzstan; zina.karaeva@yahoo.com)

“Semiotic Units in the Central Asian and European Cultures and Their Interpretations”

Mukhtar S. **Davletov** [Мухтар С. **Давлетов**] (National Academy of Sciences of the Kyrgyz Republic; mukhtar.davlat@gmail.com)

“Interference and Transformation in a Process of Translating from Russian to Kyrgyz: Display and Causes”

LI-05 ♦ Language Changes and Maintenance in Kazakhstan: A Descriptive Analysis

Note: Mixed language (Russian, English)

Schedule: Session 7 - Saturday morning, July 1

Chair: Mahire **Yakup** (Nazarbayev University; yakefu.mayila@nu.edu.kz)

Discussant: Jonathan **Washington** (Swarthmore College; jonathan.washington@swarthmore.edu)

Karlygash **Sarekenova** [Карлыгаш **Сарекенова**] (L. N. Gumilyov Eurasian National University; sarekenova_kk@enu.kz)

“Lexical Changes in the Vocabulary of the Kazakh Language in the Years of Independence”

Lazzyat **Espekova** [Лаззыт **Эспекова**] (L. N. Gumilyov Eurasian National University; espekova@bk.ru)

“Phonetic Features of Loanwords in the Kazakh Language as a Result of Language Contacts”

Gulbarshyn **Syzdykova** [Гулбаршын **Сыздыкова**] (L. N. Gumilyov Eurasian National University; go.syzdykova@mail.ru)

“Morphological Features and Changes of Loanwords in Kazakh Language”

Raushangul **Avakova** [Раушан **Авакова**] (Al-Farabi Kazakh National University; r_avakova@mail.ru)

“The Maintenance of Uyghur Language in the Multilingual Space”

Literature and the Arts

LT-01 ♦ National Literatures and the Enlightenment Project in Central Asia, 1894-1997

Schedule: Session 1 - Thursday afternoon, June 29

Chair: Svetlana **Jacquesson** (American University of Central Asia, Central Asian Studies Institute; jacquessonsvetlana@gmail.com)

Discussant: Naomi **Caffee** (University of Arizona; naomi.caffee@gmail.com)

Christopher **Fort** (University of Michigan; cfort@umich.edu)

“National or International Tragedy?: The International Origins of Mahmudxo’ja Behbudiy’s ‘National Tragedy’ The Parricide”

Joshua **Freeman** (Harvard University; freeman01@g.harvard.edu)

“The Ili Century: Sadir Palwan and the Making of the Modern Uyghur Pantheon”

Christopher **Baker** (American University of Central Asia, Central Asian Studies Institute; chrisbak@uamail.iu.edu)

“A Civilization in Pieces: Collecting and Its Contradictions in Dombrovsky’s ‘The Keeper of Antiquities’”

LT-02 ♦ Soviet Experience and Legacies

Schedule: Session 2 - Friday morning, June 30

Chair: Gulnara **Dadabayeva** (KIMEP University; gdadabaeva@mail.ru)

Discussant: Georgy **Mamedov** () [TBC]

Laura **Berdikhojayeva** (International Science Complex "Astana"; laura.berdikhojayeva@gmail.com)

"Representations of Soviet Modernity in Oralkhan Bökei's Works"

Anna **Oldfield** (Coastal Carolina University; aoldfield@coastal.edu)

"Memories Don't Burn: Soviet Censorship and the Azerbaijani Bard"

Mukhtar **Senggirbay** (Suleyman Demirel University; mukhtar.zh@gmail.com)

"The Place of Traumatic Soviet Legacy in the History (Re)interpretation and Nation-building Processes in Kazakhstan"

LT-03 ♦ Inscribing Identity in Central Asia: Literature, Language, and the Politics of Belonging

Schedule: Session 9 - Sunday morning, July 2

Chair: Christopher **Baker** (American University of Central Asia, Central Asian Studies Institute; chrisbak@umail.iu.edu)

Discussant: Joshua **Freeman** (Harvard University; freeman01@g.harvard.edu)

Naomi **Caffee** (University of Arizona; naomi.caffee@gmail.com)

"(The) Broken Russian: Translingual Subjectivity in Contemporary Central Asian Literature"

Diana **Kudaibergenova** (University of Cambridge; creative.corazon@gmail.com)

"Inside Mankurt-stan: Contesting Ethnicity and National Identity in Contemporary Art and Literature of Post-Soviet Kazakhstan"

Gabriel **McGuire** (Nazarbayev University; gvmcguire@gmail.com)

"Aqyn Agha?: Abai Zholy and the Qara Sozder"

Politics

PO-01 ♦ Theorizing 'Power' in Central Asia

Schedule: Session 1 - Thursday afternoon, June 29

Chair: Rustam **Burnashev** (Al-Farabi Kazakh National University; burnashev@hotmail.com)

Discussant: Farkhad **Tolipov** (Caravan of Knowledge, Tashkent; farkhad_tolipov@yahoo.com)

Filippo **Costa Buranelli** (University of St Andrews; fcb7@st-andrews.ac.uk)

"The Pervasive Nature of Power in Central Asia"

Adrien **Fauve** (CERI Science Po; adrien.fauve@gmail.com)

"Personality Cult or Sacralization of Power?: How Political Theory Grounds in Kazakhstan"

Diana **Kudaibergenova** (Lund University/University of Cambridge; creative.corazon@gmail.com)

"Power, Knowledge, and the 'Self' in Everyday Normalization of the Political Truth"

Paolo **Sorbello** (University of Glasgow; p.sorbello.1@research.gla.ac.uk)

"Power, Hegemony, and Control: Labor and Oil in Kazakhstan"

PO-02 ♦ Illiberal Conflict Management in Central Asia: Succeeding Where Western Policy Failed?

Schedule: Session 2 - Friday morning, June 30

Chair: John **Heathershaw** (University of Exeter; j.d.heathershaw@exeter.ac.uk)

Discussant: Matteo **Fumagalli** (Central European University; fumagallim@ceu.edu)

Nick **Megoran** (Newcastle University; nick.megoran@newcastle.ac.uk)

“Kyrgyz Villages in Uzbekistan during the 2010 Ferghana Valley Events”

Joldon **Kutmanaliev** (European University Institute; joldon@gmail.com)

“Conflict Management at the Local Level: Intercommunal Non-aggression Pacts and Intracommunal Policing during the June 2010 Ethnic Violence in Southern Kyrgyzstan”

David **Lewis** (University of Exeter; d.lewis@exeter.ac.uk)

“Authoritarian Conflict Management in Central Asia”

Alisher **Khamidov** (Newcastle University; akhamido@hotmail.com)

“Bottom-up Peacekeeping in Southern Kyrgyzstan: How Local Actors Managed to Prevent the Spread of Violence to Aravan, June 2010”

PO-03 ♦ Political Concepts and State Practices

Schedule: Session 2 - Friday morning, June 30

Chair: Aziz **Burkhanov** (Nazarbayev University; aziz.burkhanov@nu.edu.kz)

Discussant: Douglas W. **Blum** (Providence College; douglblum@providence.edu)

Nargiza **Chorieva** (Nazarbayev University; nargizchorieva@gmail.com)

“E-government in Kazakhstan and Uzbekistan: Success and Challenges”

Kyle **Estes** (University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign; kestes3@illinois.edu)

“Titularity and Ethnicized Public Goods Provision in Southern Kyrgyzstan”

Tobias **Kraudzun** (Freie Universität Berlin; tobias.kraudzun@fu-berlin.de)

“Sovereignty as a Resource: Performing a Securitized Border in Tajikistan’s Pamirs”

Khalida **Azhigulova** (University of Leicester; ka243@le.ac.uk)

“Effectiveness of Refugee Protection in Central Asia: Law, Politics and Practice”

PO-04 ♦ Legal Norms

Schedule: Session 3 - Friday morning, June 30

Chair: Elida **Nogoibaeva** (American University of Central Asia; nogoibaeva_e@auca.kg)

Discussant: Megan **McCormick** (American University of Central Asia) [TBC]

Natalia **Alenkina** (American University of Central Asia; alenkina_n@mail.ru) and Nazira **Tursunbaeva** (Kyrgyz Russian Slavic University; alenkina_n@mail.ru)

“Courts of Biys and Aksakals in Kyrgyzstan: What Does the History Teach?”

Medet **Tiulegenov** (American University of Central Asia; tiulegenov_m@auca.kg)

“Diffusion of Democratic Norms in Central Eurasia: Exploring Dyadic Relations on Gender and Ethnic Norms in Transition Countries”

Saltanat **Janenova** (Nazarbayev University; saltanat.janenova@nu.edu.kz), Roza **Tleukhan** (Nazarbayev University; roza.tleukhan@nu.edu.kz) and Assiya **Karibay** (Nazarbayev University; assiya.karibay@nu.edu.kz)

“Ethics Codes for Civil Servants: Comparative Analysis of the Practices from OECD Countries and Central Asia”

Galym **Zhussipbek** (Independent Scholar; galym.zhussipbek@gmail.com), Zhanar **Nagayeva** (Independent Scholar; nzhanar@yandex.ru) and Kairat **Moldashev** (Kazakh-British Technical University / Suleiman Demirel University; kairatm@gmail.com)

“Human Rights Education: A Case of a Kazakhstani University”

PO-05 ♦ Coping with Conflict

Schedule: Session 3 - Friday morning, June 30

Chair: Dina **Sharipova** (KIMEP University; dina.sharipova@kimep.kz)

Discussant: John **Heathershaw** (University of Exeter; j.d.heathershaw@exeter.ac.uk)

Aziz **Burkhanov** (Nazarbayev University; aziz.burkhanov@nu.edu.kz)

“Ukraine Today, Kazakhstan Tomorrow?: Crimean Conflict in Kazakhstan’s Political and Media Discourse”

Matteo **Fumagalli** (Central European University; fumagallim@ceu.edu)

“At Home Abroad?: Exit, Voice, and Loyalty among Central Asia’s Uzbeks Abroad”

Patrik **Meyer** (Universitas Muhammadiyah Yogyakarta; patrikmeyer@gmail.com)

“SICMa: Sino-Islamic Conflict Management Framework Defusing Tensions between Chinese and Muslims”

Fernando **Casal Bertoa** (University of Nottingham; fernando.casal.bertoa@nottingham.ac.uk)

“Polarizing Politics and the Future of Democracy: Georgia in Comparative Perspective”

Sarah **Dorr** (University of Leeds; ptswd@leeds.ac.uk)

“The Transregional Impact of the Arab Spring in Kazakhstan, 2005-2015”

PO-06 ♦ Social Capital in Central Asia: Origins and Implications

Schedule: Session 4 - Friday afternoon, June 30

Chair: Natsuko **Oka** (Institute of Developing Economies Japan External Trade Organization; na2koka@gmail.com)

Discussant: Aziz **Burkhanov** (Nazarbayev University; aziz.burkhanov@nu.edu.kz)

Dina **Sharipova** (KIMEP University; dina.sharipova@kimep.kz)

“The Determinants of Social Capital in Kazakhstan: Negative or Positive?”

Nurseit **Niyazbekov** (KIMEP University; nurseit@kimep.kz)

“Non-democratizing Outcomes of Hybrid Social Capital in Kazakhstan”

Didar **Kassymova** (KIMEP University; didar@kimep.kz)

“Networking of Ethnic Repatriates: Cases of Social Capital Efficiency for Kazakhs from China and Uzbekistan”

PO-07 ♦ Gender, Governance, Resistance, Spaces and Peace in FATA, Pakistan

Schedule: Session 6 - Saturday morning, July 1

Chair: Sarfraz **Khan** (University of Peshawar, Area Study Centre; skhanr87@yahoo.com)

Discussant: Shahida **Aman** (University of Peshawar; shahida_aman@upesh.edu.pk)

Samina **Afridi** (University of Peshawar; sameena.afriidi@gmail.com)

“Women, Spaces and Resistance in FATA”

Zarmina **Baluch** (Islamia College University; zarminafaiq@gmail.com)

“Pakistan’s Post 9/11 Afghan Policy: Repercussions for FATA”

Noor **ul-Amin** (Islamia College University; amin_icp@yahoo.com)

“Maliki System in FATA: An Appraisal”

Jawad **ur Rahman** (Bannu Medical College; eurekabks@gmail.com)

“(Un)constitutional Status of FATA: The Cause of Turbulence”

Imran **Khan** (Independent Scholar at Bacha Khan Education Foundation; imran.khan.tangi@gmail.com)

“Framing People of FATA: A Case for Marginalization and Denial”

PO-08 ♦ Roundtable: Why Not Here? The Present and Future of Party Development in Central Asia

Schedule: Session 7 - Saturday morning, July 1

Chair: Nurseit **Niyazbekov** (KIMEP University) [TBC]

Anthony **Bowyer** (International Foundation for Electoral Systems; abowyer@ifes.org)

Fernando **Casal Bertoa** (University of Nottingham; fernando.casal.bertoa@nottingham.ac.uk)

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Ermek **Adylbekov** (National Democratic Institute, Bishkek; eadylbekov@ndi.org)

PO-09 ♦ Political and Economic Development in Kyrgyzstan

Schedule: Session 8 - Saturday afternoon, July 1

Chair: Bermet **Tursunkulova** (American University of Central Asia; tursunkulova_b@auca.kg)

Discussant: Jon **Mahoney** (Kansas State University; jmahoney@ksu.edu)

Seyit Ali **Avcu** (Ankara Yildirim Beyazit University; avcuseyit@hotmail.com)

“Why a Democratic State Wants to Restrict Religious Freedom? The Case of Kyrgyzstan”

Bakyt **Omurzakov** (Kyrgyz National University; bakyt.omurzakov@gmail.com)

“Implications of Eurasian Customs Union on the Kyrgyz Republic: Economic and Political Perspectives”

Yaşar **Sarı** (Abant İzzet Baysal University; yasarsari@gmail.com)

“Relations between International Financial Institutions and Kyrgyzstan: Impact on Economic and Political Development of Kyrgyzstan”

PO-10 ♦ Local and Regional Political Institutions

Schedule: Session 8 - Saturday afternoon, July 1

Chair: Matteo **Fumagalli** (Central European University; fumagallim@ceu.edu)

Discussant: Joldon **Kutmanaliev** (European University Institute) [TBC]

Christilla **Marteau d’Autry** (University of Paris Ouest Nanterre La Defense; cmdautry@gmail.com)

“‘Go and Tidy Your Room! It Looks Like Democracy Out There!’: Democratic Process in a Neighborhood of Samarkand, Uzbekistan”

Chien-peng (C. P.) **Chung** (Lingnan University; cpchung@hotmail.com)

“Assessing the Notion of Tibet and Xinjiang as ‘Internal Colonies’ of China”

Vincenc **Kopecek** (University of Ostrava; vincenc.kopecek@osu.cz)

“Who Rules Javakheti?: A Study of Informal Politics in an Armenian Populated Region of Georgia”

PO-11 ♦ Book Panel: Towards a Historical Analysis of Civil Society in Central Eurasia

Note: Mixed language (Russian, English)

Schedule: Session 9 - Sunday morning, July 2

Chair: Irina **Chernykh** (Kazakh Institute for Strategic Studies under the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan; chernykhi@yahoo.com)

Elmira **Shishkaraeva** (UNDP Kyrgyzstan; shishkaraeva@gmail.com)

Irina **Mersyanova** (Higher School of Economics, Moscow; imersyanova@hse.ru)

Alexander **Wolters** (OSCE Academy in Bishkek; a.wolters@osce-academy.net)

Shamsiddin **Karimov** (National Association of NGOs; shamskarimov@yahoo.com)

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PO-12 ♦ Political Values

Schedule: Session 9 - Sunday morning, July 2

Chair: Emilbek **Dzhuraev** (American University of Central Asia; emil.jorojev@gmail.com)

Discussant: Dina **Sharipova** (KIMEP University; dina.sharipova@kimep.kz)

Sayed Nooroddin **Alavi** (Kabul University; nooroddinalawi@gmail.com)

“An Evaluation Study on Rogers’ Peasant Sub-culture Theory in the Rural Areas of Afghanistan: Ghaza Villages around Kabul Province”

Selma **Akyildiz** (Middle East Technical University; ypek4735@gmail.com)

“Reflections of Nationalism and the Role of Language Policies in Post-Soviet Azerbaijan”

Marlene **Laruelle** (George Washington University; laruelle@gwu.edu)

“National-Patriotism in Kazakhstan: A Contribution to the Youth Values Debate”

Barbara **Junisbai** (Pitzer College; barbara_junisbai@pitzer.edu) and Azamat **Junisbai** (Pitzer College; barbara_junisbai@pitzer.edu)

“Political Context and Political Values: Comparing Democratic Attitudes in Kazakhstan and Kyrgyzstan”

PO-13 ♦ Institutions of Political Inclusion

Schedule: Session 10 - Sunday morning, July 2

Chair: Rustam **Burnashev** (Al-Farabi Kazakh National University; burnashev@hotmail.com)

Discussant: David **Lewis** (University of Exeter) [TBC]

Bakhtiar **Igamberdiev** (International Ataturk Alatoo University; igamberdiyev@yahoo.com)

“Development of Inclusive Institutions in Russian Federation as a Source of Stability and Efficient Economic Development”

Akmaljon **Abdullayev** (University of World Economy and Diplomacy; abdullayev_akmal@mail.ru)

“Grassroots Activism through Social Networking Websites in Modern Uzbekistan”

Serik **Beimenbetov** (Al-Farabi Kazakh National University; serik.beimenbetov@gmail.com) and

Markus **Kaiser** (Al-Farabi Kazakh National University; serik.beimenbetov@gmail.com)

“Incorporation of Kazakh Ethnic Returnees in Kazakhstan: The Role of Repatriate Organizations”

Mahabat **Baimyrzaeva** (Middlebury Institute of International Studies; mbaimyrz@miis.edu)

“The Role and Levers of Culture Change in Kyrgyzstan’s Public Sector Reforms”

Religion

RE-01 ♦ Minority Rights, Secularism and Identity in an ‘Ethnic Democracy’:

Muslim Minorities in Post-Soviet Georgia - Part I

Schedule: Session 1 - Thursday afternoon, June 29

Chair: Hayati **Beşirli** (Kyrgyz-Turkish Manas University; hayati.besirli@gmail.com)

Discussant: John **Schoeberlein** (Nazarbayev University; john.schoeberlein@nu.edu.kz)

Yuliya **Biletska** (Karabük University; yuklya.work@gmail.com)

“Minorities Confront Ethno-Religious Nationalism in an Ethnic Democracy: The Case of Post-Soviet Georgia”

Ayşegül **Aydingün** (Middle East Technical University; aydingun@metu.edu.tr)

“The Growing Significance of the Georgian Orthodox Church: A Challenge to Secularism and a Source of Discrimination for Muslim Minorities”

Hazar Ege **Gürsoy** (Middle East Technical University; egursoy@metu.edu.tr)

“Remaining between Religion and Ethnicity: Muslim Georgians of Adjara”

**RE-02 ♦ Minority Rights, Secularism and Identity in an ‘Ethnic Democracy’:
Muslim Minorities in Post-Soviet Georgia - Part II**

Schedule: Session 2 - Friday morning, June 30

Chair: Ayşegül **Aydingün** (Middle East Technical University; aydingun@metu.edu.tr)

Discussant: Ketevan **Khutsishvili** (Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University;
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Alter **Kahraman** (Middle East Technical University; alter@metu.edu.tr)

“Azeris/Borchali Turks in Georgia: The Swing between Tolerance and Alienation”

Serhat **Keskin** (Middle East Technical University; serkes@metu.edu.tr)

“An Unfulfilled Promise of Post-Soviet Georgia: The Repatriation of Meskhetian/Ahiska Turks to their Homeland”

Anil **Uner** [Anil **Üner**] (Middle East Technical University; uneranil@gmail.com)

“Identity Shift and Dominance of Salafism in the Kist Community in Georgia after the Russo-Chechen Wars”

RE-03 ♦ Religions in Soviet Time: Strategies of Survival

Schedule: Session 4 - Friday afternoon, June 30

Chair: John **Schoeberlein** (Nazarbayev University; john.schoeberlein@nu.edu.kz)

Discussant: Natalie **Kononenko** (University of Alberta; nataliek@ualberta.ca)

Yuliya **Shapoval** (L. N. Gumilyov Eurasian National University; shapoval74@mail.ru)

“Preserving Ethnic Identity and Religion in Soviet Kazakhstan: A Case Study of Deported Poles”

Ruziya **Kamarova** (L. N. Gumilyov Eurasian National University; ruziya@gmail.com)

“The Transformation of Religious Practices as a Result of Deportation of Chechens to Kazakhstan”

Gulzhamilya **Kamarova** (L. N. Gumilyov Eurasian National University; kamarovamika@gmail.com)

“‘They Were Unable to Wean Us from the Faith’: A Case Study of the Ingush in Soviet Kazakhstan”

RE-04 ♦ Religion and Its Social Context

Schedule: Session 5 - Friday afternoon, June 30

Chair: [TBD]

Discussant: [TBD]

Ariell **Ahearn** (University of Oxford; ahearn.ariell@gmail.com)

“Securing the Future in Uncertain Times: The Work of Mergens and Buddhist Oracles in Mongolia”

Leila **Almazova** (Kazan Federal University; leilaalmazova@gmail.com)

“Islamic Political Organizations and Trends in Contemporary Russia”

Almakan **Orozobekova** (Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology; orozobekova@eth.mpg.de)

“The Role of Kinship Ties in Recruitment of Individuals from the Kyrgyz Republic”

Sherzod **Eraliev** (University of Tsukuba; esherzode@gmail.com)

“The Growing Religiosity among Many Central Asian Migrants in Russia: Why Does Migration ‘Theologize’?”

Omid **Afghan** (Kabul Education University; omidafghan_88@yahoo.com)

“A Sociological Approach to Fundamentalism and Democracy in Afghanistan, 2001-2017”

RE-05 ♦ Politics of Religious Personhood

Schedule: Session 6 - Saturday morning, July 1

Chair: [TBD]

Discussant: Rano **Turaeva** (Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology; r.turaeva@gmail.com)

Nazif M. **Shahrani** (Indiana University-Bloomington; shahrani@indiana.edu)

“Politics of Crafting Mu’min or Muslim Personhood in Post-Soviet Uzbekistan”

Mariam **Darchiashvili** (Ilia State University; m.darchiashvili@gmail.com)

“Religiosity and Capital: Religious Practices in Young Meskhetians from Nasakirali”

Mehmonsho **Sharifov** (University of Bergen; mehmonsho@yahoo.com)

“Nafs (Human Nature) and the Paradox of Sovereignty in Tajikistan”

Dominik **Müller** (Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology/University of Zurich;

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“Negotiating Islamic Authority and Religious Activism among Central Asian Students in Russia: An Anthropological Case Study”

RE-06 ♦ Islam, State and Society

Schedule: Session 7 - Saturday morning, July 1

Chair: Alexander **Wolters** (OSCE Academy in Bishkek; a.wolters@osce-academy.net)

Discussant: John **Heathershaw** (University of Exeter; j.d.heathershaw@exeter.ac.uk)

Alima **Bissenova** (Nazarbayev University; abissenova@nu.edu.kz)

“Fitting into a Secular Society: The Discreet Charm of Kazakhstani Muslim Entrepreneurs”

Emil **Nasritdinov** (American University of Central Asia; emilzn@gmail.com), Nurbek **Bekmurzaev**

(Independent Scholar; nurbek0124@gmail.com) and Tamo **Chattopadhyay** (Columbia University; tamo.chattopadhyay@gmail.com)

“Religion, Peacebuilding, and Education: The Case of Kyrgyzstan’s Madrasas”

Asel **Doolotkeldieva** (Kyrgyz-Turkish Manas University; adkasymovna@gmail.com)

“From the Big City to a Village: Young Muslim Women Engaging in the Discursive Community Building in Kyrgyzstan”

RE-07 ♦ Workshop: Understanding Radicalization

Schedule: Session 8 - Saturday afternoon, July 1

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Leila **Almazova** (Kazan Federal University; leilaalmazova@gmail.com) [TBC]

Nazif M. **Shahrani** (Indiana University-Bloomington; shahrani@indiana.edu) [TBC]

Mukaram **Toktogulova** (American University of Central Asia; mucaramt@yahoo.com) [TBC]

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RE-08 ♦ Multidisciplinary Approach to the Study of Waqf in Central Asia

Note: Mixed language (English, Russian)

Schedule: Session 8 - Saturday afternoon, July 1

Chair: Alexander **Morrison** (Nazarbayev University; alexander.morrison@nu.edu.kz)

Discussant: Bakhtiyar **Babadjanov** (Al-Beruni Center for Oriental Manuscripts, Tashkent State Institute of Oriental Studies; bbmir@yandex.ru)

- Nargiza **Ismatova** (Mirzo Ulugbek National University of Uzbekistan; nargis5525@mail.ru)
“Some Aspects of Rental Practices of Waqf Properties within the Bukharan Emirate: Analysis of Archival Documents of 19th-20th Centuries”
- Qahramon **Yakubov** (Mirzo Ulugbek National University of Uzbekistan; qahramon_14@mail.ru)
“Waqf Administration in Khorezm: Transmission of the Post of Mutawallī from Imam to Elder”
- Salimakhon **Fayzieva** [Салимахон **Файзиева**] (Al-Beruni Center for Oriental Manuscripts, Tashkent State Institute of Oriental Studies; salima_khony@mail.ru)
“Waqf Document as a Primary Source of Architectural Monument: The Example of the Sakhib-Zade Madrasah in Kokand [Вакуфный документ как исторический источник архитектурного памятника (на примере медресе Сахиб-заде хазрет в г.Коканде)]”

RE-09 ♦ Genealogies of Religious Institutions

Schedule: Session 9 - Sunday morning, July 2

- Chair:* Yuliya **Shapoval** (L. N. Gumilyov Eurasian National University; shapoval74@mail.ru)
- Discussant:* Leila **Almazova** (Kazan Federal University; leilaalmazova@gmail.com)
- Vohid **Kholov** (Institute of History of the Academy of Sciences of Uzbekistan; abduvohid_1116@mail.ru)
“Is Going to Bahā’ al-Dīn Naqshband’s Shrine for Seven Times on Foot Equal to Pilgrimage to Mecca and Madina for Hajj? Rumors and Reality in Islam and Their Use in Daily Life of Uzbeks”
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“Джунги, как руководство казиев”
- Galina **Yemelianova** (University of Birmingham; g.yemelianova@bham.ac.uk)
“State-Muslim Relations in Contemporary Kazakhstan: A Historical Enquiry”
- Murad **Ismayilov** (University of Cambridge; murad.ismayilov@cantab.net)
“The Secular and the Sacred in Post-Soviet Modernity: Towards a Re-sacralisation of Political Space in Azerbaijan”

RE-10 ♦ Islam and Migration in Russia

Note: Mixed language (English, Russian)

Schedule: Session 10 - Sunday morning, July 2

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- Rano **Turaeva** (Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology; r.turaeva@gmail.com)
“The Role of Mosques in the Integration of Migrants”
- Dmitriy **Oparin** (Moscow State University; dimaoparin@hotmail.com)
“Ethnic Imams and the Role of Ethnicity in Religious Practices in Moscow”
- Lili **di Puppo** (Higher School of Economics, Moscow; ldipuppo@hse.ru)
“Traditional Islam in Russia”
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“Halal Businesses of Muslims in Russia”

Issues of Scholarship

SC-01 ♦ Connecting Spaces: Central Asia and Its Neighborhoods

Schedule: Session 1 - Thursday afternoon, June 29

Chair: Mirzohid **Rahimov** (Institute of History of the Academy of Sciences of Uzbekistan; mirzonur@yahoo.com)

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“Logistical Spaces in Eurasia”

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“The Politics of Routes: Reconstructing the Connects in the Central Asian Neighborhood”

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“Media and Issues of Identity in Central Asia”

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“Central Asia and Russian Literature Linking Civilizations, Humanizing Spaces”

SC-02 ♦ The Development of Regional Scholarship

Schedule: Session 2 - Friday morning, June 30

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“From Central Asia to Central Eurasia: A Personal Retrospective”

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“Critics of Central Asian Studies in Turkey”

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“The Peace Studies in Kazakhstan: Specificities and Perspectives”

SC-03 ♦ Roundtable: Bridging Central Asian and Caucasus Area Studies (Part One)

Schedule: Session 5 - Friday afternoon, June 30

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SC-04 ♦ Roundtable: Researcher Security in Peace, Conflict, and Security Research: Ethics, Methodology, Positionality

Schedule: Session 7 - Saturday morning, July 1

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SC-05 ♦ Roundtable: New Approaches in Central Asian Studies: Concepts and Practices

Note: Mixed language (Russian, English)

Schedule: Session 10 - Sunday morning, July 2

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“New Approaches to Formation of Central Asian Community History and the Establishment of Common Cultural Paradigms”

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“Historical Science in Context of Interdisciplinary Synthesis and Transdisciplinarity: The Way for Full-Fledged Research”

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“Central Asian Studies: New Trends”

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“Revisiting the Central Asian Studies from the Perspective of Kyrgyzstan”

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“Important Turning Points of the Tajik Ethnology in Transition”

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“Tolerance in the Context History of Central Asia: Phenomenological Analysis”

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“Global and Regional Values along the Silk Road: Logistics Movement of Knowledge and Culture”

Galyimzhan **Duisen** [Галыймжан **Дуйсен**] (R. B. Suleimenov Institute of Oriental Studies; galyimzhan@inbox.ru)

“Cultural Tourism in Central Asia: Experience and Development Trends”

Sociology and Social Issues

SO-01 ♦ Author-Critic Forum: Critically Assessing ‘The Social Process of Globalization’ by Douglas Blum

Schedule: Session 1 - Thursday afternoon, June 29

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SO-02 ♦ Roundtable: Blessing or Hindrance: How Is Migration Shaping Central Asian Societies?

Note: Russian

Schedule: Session 4 - Friday afternoon, June 30

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SO-03 ♦ Roundtable: Media Discourses

Schedule: Session 5 - Friday afternoon, June 30

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“Reflection of Media’s Language in Its Own Attitude of Delivering the President’s Speeches
about Language Issues in Kazakhstan”

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“Transformation of Politics and Communication in Kyrgyzstan: New Media, New Publics and
New Actors”

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“Analysis of Bakiyev’s Discourse on International Relations”

SO-05 ♦ Women and Traditional Orders

Schedule: Session 7 - Saturday morning, July 1

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“The Islamization of Kyrgyz Society and The Women’s Jamaat”

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“Patriarchy and Masculinity under Question in Tajikistan: The Dichotomy of Strong Women
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SO-06 ♦ Environment and Human Geography

Schedule: Session 8 - Saturday afternoon, July 1

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“Impacts of Climate Variations on the Accessibility of the Kūhistoni Badakhshon Autonomous
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“Disaster Vulnerability and Management Strategies in Mountainous Ecosystems of Kashmir
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“Human and Environmental Complexity in Rural Mongolia”

SO-07 ♦ Gender Norms

Schedule: Session 8 - Saturday afternoon, July 1

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“‘You Are/You Are Not Beautiful Enough’: New Gender Stereotypes and Images for Tajik Women?”

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“Digital Vigilantism among Kyrgyz Migrants in Russia and Gendered Embodiment of the Motherland”

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“Understanding the Process(es) of Leaving among Women Survivors of Domestic Violence in Kyrgyzstan: A Grounded Theory Study”

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