

RUSSIA AND THE OTTOMAN EMPIRE: TRANSREGIONAL AND COMPARATIVE APPROACHES
Graduate Student Workshop***

SATURDAY APRIL 5, 2008

Graduate Student Lounge, Philosophy Hall, Room # 301. Columbia University

Presented by the Harriman Institute, Project on Russia and Islam

10:00 **Coffee and opening remarks**

Session 1: 10:30-12:15 “Overlapping Boundaries: the Caucasus as a site of competition and cohabitation”

Moderator: Michael Reynolds (Princeton University)

- **Irma Kreiten** (Southampton University)
“War and state in the Northeastern Black Sea region: The impact of the Russian-Ottoman rivalry on processes of political modernization (19th century).”
- **Halit D. Akarca** (Princeton University)
“Continuity or Contingency: Russian interest in Eastern Anatolia/Western Armenia.”
- **Leslie Sargent** (University of California, Santa Barbara)
“Armenian and Azeri ‘Muslim’ subjects of the Russian empire: Perceptions of preferential treatment, discrimination, and a ‘zero sum’ game in the transformation of ‘political community’ in the South Caucasus, 1812-1905.”

Session 2: 1:45-3:30 “Russia and the Ottoman Empire: comparative approaches”

Moderator: Jane Burbank (NYU)

- **Nikolay A. Antov** (University of Chicago)
“The Muscovite and Ottoman Principalities – Territorial Expansion, Political Consolidation, and Strategies of Dynastic Legitimization in Comparative Perspective (14th –16th cc.).”
- **Darin Stephanov** (UCLA)
“(In)visibility and the Shaping of a Monarchic Persona in the late Ottoman and Russian Empires.”
- **Mustafa Tuna** (Princeton University)
“Fifth Column or Imperial Paranoia: Confrontation between Russian Muslim Intellectuals and Russian Imperial Administration in the Late Russian Empire.”

Session 3: 3:45-5:30 “Transregional approaches: the Ottoman Empire, Russia, and the USSR”

Moderator: Ryan Gingeras (Long Island University)

- **Andrew Robarts** (Georgetown University)
“Population Movements and the Spread of Disease Across the Ottoman-Russian Frontier, 1768-1830s.”
- **Lale Can** (NYU)
“Beyond the Porte: Informal Diplomacy between Istanbul and Bukhara under Abdülhamid II.”
- **Lisa Yountchi**. (Northwestern University)
“The Politics of Historiography: Russian, Soviet and Tajik scholars studying Central Asia.”

***PAPERS WILL BE PRE-CIRCULATED. Presenters will discuss their work for 10-12 minutes, but will not be reading their papers. Persons interested in attending this workshop who would like to receive copies of papers in advance should contact James Meyer at jhm2133@Columbia.edu.

