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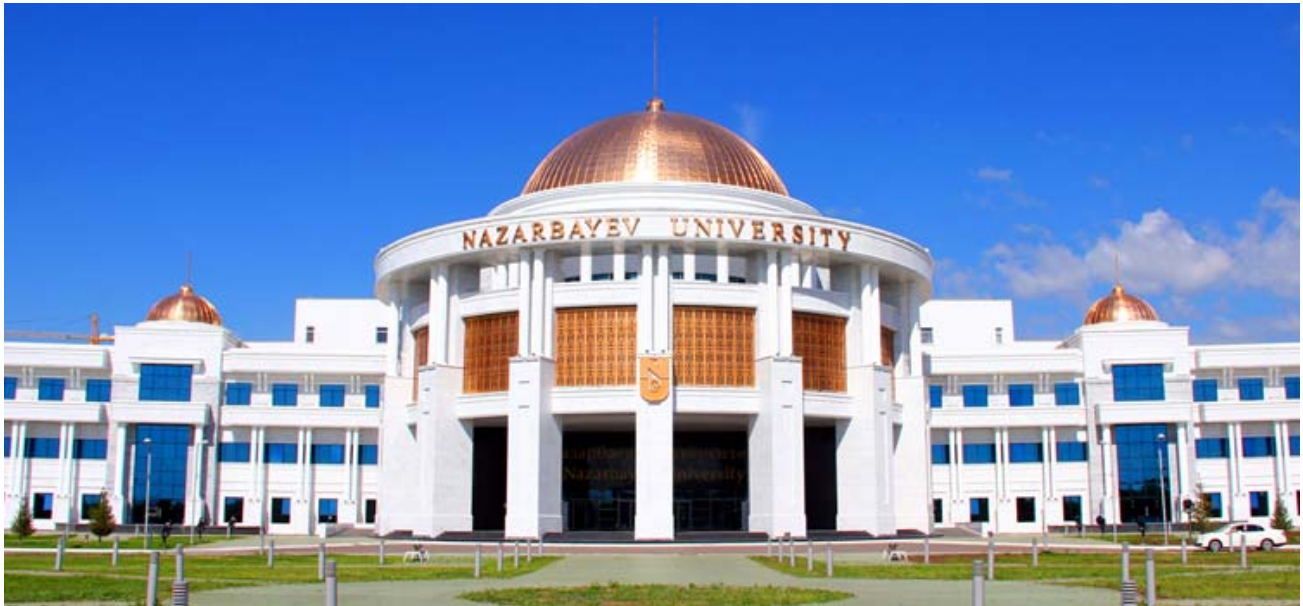
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Conference Program

**ASEEES-CESS Joint Regional Conference
Nazarbayev University
Astana, Kazakhstan
May 22-24, 2014**

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About the Conference:

This event is the first time that ASEEEES and CESS hold a combined conference, and is the first time that ASEEEES holds a conference in the region (the ASEEEES conferences held annually since 1970 have been in the USA or Canada). This is the fourth regional conference of CESS, and by far the largest.

ASEEEES - Association for Slavic, East European and Eurasian Studies

<http://www.aseees.org>

ASEEEES was established in 1948 at the same time as area studies research was getting started in the West, and particularly to study the Soviet Union. Until 2008, the association was called American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies (AAASS). After the break-up of the Soviet Union and the decline in interest in Russia and Eastern Europe, ASEEEES has made a priority to increase its focus on regions such as Central Asia and the Caucasus. The decision to hold this regional conference reflects ASEEEES's interest in building its network and membership in the region.

CESS - Central Eurasian Studies Society

<http://centraleurasia.org>

CESS was established in 2000, at a time when the study of Central Asia/Eurasia was on the rise. The founding of CESS was a response to a general institutional neglect of the region. With a large number of young scholars pushing to bring Central Asian/Eurasian studies into the mainstream of scholarship, CESS's constituency rapidly. CESS was first established at Harvard University under the leadership of John Schoeberlein, on the basis of the Program on Central Asia and the Caucasus, of which he was director. CESS's membership in the region has been a major priority, and its first biennial regional conference was in Kyrgyzstan in 2008, followed by Ankara, Tbilisi and now Astana.

This joint regional conference reflects a change of approaches and generations, with a general shift away from Moscow-centric approaches. It reflects important new trends: mutual recognition rather than competition for importance between scholars of Eurasia and the previously dominant regions, and the reorientation of area studies of the region toward closer integration of theoretical agendas grounded in the academic disciplines with empirically-oriented research rooted in a deep knowledge of and appreciation of regions such as Kazakhstan and its neighbors.

Nazarbayev University

<http://www.nu.edu.kz>

The institutional development of Nazarbayev University began in 2009 with the establishment of a non-profit joint stock company "New University of Astana". In 2010, the first group of students were admitted to the Foundation Program and in 2015, NU will have its first graduates. The university seeks to produce research and education of a quality comparable with respected universities globally.

Center for Eurasian Regional Studies, School of Humanities and Social Sciences

<http://shss.nu.edu.kz/shss/Research/CERS>

In 2012, NU began to build its strength in scholarship on the Eurasian region of which Kazakhstan is at the core. The Center for Eurasian Regional Studies was designated as the host for the ASEEEES-CESS Joint Regional Conference in 2013, and has organized the conference with support NU as a whole and with involvement of scholars across the university.

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The conference organizers are grateful for the substantial in-kind support provided to the conference by Nazarbayev University, and to ASEEEES and CESS for investing their trust in this undertaking — in many ways an undertaking filled with unknowns — and for their support along the way. Particular gratitude is due to Alibek Abdullayev for his resourcefulness and persistence in solving problems, to Gaukhar Nurseitova in the NU Communications Dept. and Zukhra Pirnazarova at IndigoPrint for their work on the program under difficult circumstances, and to Assel Sydykova in USM for work on financial administration. We are also very grateful to the staff of the School of Humanities and Social Sciences and of the International Scholars and Students Department, together with student volunteers from across NU who have sustained the effort.

Program Overview

Thursday, May 22

13:00-13:20 - **Opening Ceremony**

13:30-15:15 - **Session 1** (multiple panels in Blocks 6 and 7)

15:15-15:30 - Coffee Break

15:30-17:15 - **Session 2** (multiple panels in Blocks 6 and 7)

Featured panel: “Russia’s Relations with Its Neighbors in 2014” (Room 5.103; page 10)

17:30-18:45 - Plenary: **Keynote Speech: “Towards a Maximally Inclusive Concept of Eurasia”**

by Prof. **Chris Hann** (Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology, Germany; Room 5.103; page 12)

18:45-20:30 - **Banquet and Cultural Program**

Friday, May 23

9:00-10:45 - **Session 3** (multiple panels in Blocks 6 and 7)

10:45-11:00 - Coffee Break

11:00 -12:45 - **Session 4** (multiple panels in Blocks 6 and 7)

13:00-14:15 - Lunch

14:15-16:00 - **Session 5** (multiple panels in Blocks 6 and 7)

16:00-16:15 - Coffee Break

16:15-18:00 - **Session 6** (multiple panels in Blocks 6 and 7)

Featured panel: “Interdisciplinarity, Regional Studies and Eurasia” (Room 5.103; page 22)

18:15-19:30 - Plenary: **Keynote Speech: “For an Engaged Knowledge: On the Relevance of Marxism for the Studies of Post-Socialist Cultures”**

by Prof. **Almira Ousmanova** (European Humanities University, Lithuania; Room 5.103; page 24)

Saturday, May 24

9:00-10:45 - **Session 7** (multiple panels in Blocks 6 and 7)

10:45-11:00 - Coffee Break

11:00 -12:45 - **Session 8** (multiple panels in Blocks 6 and 7)

13:00-14:15 - Lunch

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16:00-16:15 - Coffee Break

16:15-18:00 - **Session 10** (multiple panels in Blocks 6 and 7)

Featured panel: “Nazarbayev University in the Development of Kazakhstan”
(in Senate Hall on the 3rd floor of Block 1; page 34)

Events to Be Held in Conjunction with the Conference:

May 23, 13:30-14:15 - Presentation of the New MA Programs (Eurasian Studies and Political Science/International Relations) at Nazarbayev University, Room 8.327 (Block 8)

Those interested in the workshops should contact the organizer for availability of space.

May 20-21 - “Eurasian Borderlands: Processes of Social Change in Post-Soviet Border Spaces”

Contact: John Schoeberlein <john.schoeberlein@nu.edu.kz>

May 21, 14:00-16:00 - “Discourse Analysis: Is There One Way to Do It?”

Contact: Olena Fimyar <ohf21@cam.ac.uk>

May 22, 9:00-12:00 - “Teaching through the Lens of Inquiry: Central Asia in Global Context”

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May 22, 10:00-12:00 - “Educational Research in Central Asia”

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May 26-27 - "Urban Transformations: The Emergence of New Social Groups"
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Location: Block 7, Room 7.105

Chair: Tone BRINGA (University of Bergen, Norway; tone.bringa@sosantr.uib.no)

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“Comparing Borderland Dynamics: Processes of Territorialization in the Nuba Mountains in Sudan, Southern Yunnan in China, and the Pamir Mountains in Tajikistan”

Hege TOJE (University of Bergen; hege.toje@sosantr.uib.no)

“Openings and Closures: Exploring the Politics of Space of the Internal Borderline between Krasnodar and Adygea”

Elina TROSCENKO (University of Bergen; elina.troschenko@sosantr.uib.no)

“Across the Barbed Wires: Crossing the Border in the Ferghana Valley”

AN-02 ♦ Religious Motivations

Location: Block 7, Room 7.507

Chair: David LEVY (Boston University; dplevy@bu.edu)

Discussant: Emil NASRITDINOV (American University of Central Asia, Bishkek; emilzn@gmail.com)

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“The Implementation of Soviet Religious Policy among Muslim Communities in Soviet Tajikistan (1943-1991)”

Bariş İŞÇİ PEMBEÇİ (Mugla University; bpembeçi@gmail.com)

“Motivational Background and Structural Context of Islamic Actors in Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan”

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

“Hijab Debates in Kazakhstan”

Yuliya Vassilyevna SHAPOVAL (L. N. Gumilyov Eurasian National University; shapoval74@mail.ru)

“The Social Transformation of Post-Soviet Kazakhstan in Conversion Narratives of Hare Krishna Followers”

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***ED-01 ♦ Round-Table: Pedagogical Challenges in Higher Education
in Central Asia***

Location: Block 6, Room 6.141

Chair: Martha MERRILL (Kent State University; mmerril@kent.edu)

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***HI-01 ♦ Round-Table: Where - and Why - Should We Look for the
Russian State in Siberia: Networks of Exchange, Political
Itineraries, and Infrastructures of Nature/Knowledge***

Location: Block 7, Room 7.246

Chair: Caress SCHENK (Nazarbayev University; caressschenk@gmail.com)

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HI-02 ♦ Ancient Geographies

Location: Block 7, Room 7.210

Panel is in English and Russian.

Chair: William A. WOOD (Point Loma Nazarene University; bwood@pointloma.edu)

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**“The Spoon from King’s Philip II of Macedon’s Wine-set and the Burial of the Golden
Man of Issyk: Distant Connection”**

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

“History of the Study of Early Scythian Monuments in East Kazakhstan”

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“Early Travelers to the Altaic World”

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IR-01 ♦ Varying Pathways of International Influence

Location: Block 6, Room 6.507

Chair: Plamen Dimitrov PETROV (Sofia University, Bulgaria / L. N. Gumilyov Eurasian National University; plamen127@mail.bg)

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“Eurasian Transport Corridors as a Means of Iranian Influence in Central Asia”

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“Cultural Relations between Russia and Kazakhstan”

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“Globalization in Central Asia: Kyrgyzstan and Uzbekistan”

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“The Istanbul Process: Prospects for Eurasia”

PO-01 ♦ Identity and Civil Peace or Conflict

Location: Block 6, Room 6.302

Chair: Artemy Mikhail KALINOVSKY (University of Amsterdam; a.m.kalinovsky@uva.nl)

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“Limitations to the Nationalizing State: Inconsistent Nation-Making in Kazakhstan”

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“Distant Belongings: On Maintaining and Creation of Attachment to a Place Distant in Time and Space”

Yaşar SARI (Kyrgyzstan-Turkey Manas University / Abant Izzet Baysal University; yasarsari@gmail.com)

“Dichotomy of Identities: Conflicts in the Ferghana Valley”

PO-02 ♦ Do Technologies Matter in Policies of Post-Communist Countries?

Location: Block 6, Room 6.402

Chair: Oleg KORNEEV (University of Sheffield; o.korneev@sheffield.ac.uk)

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“Current’s Power: Inherited Patterns of Energy Consumption and Contemporary Paradoxes in Steering Electric Power Sector in the Transition Countries of Southeastern Europe”

Olga O. MELNIKOVA (Tomsk State University; melnikowa.olga@gmail.com)

“New Technologies and ‘Soviet’ Infrastructure in Medicine: Evidence from the Russian Hospitals”

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Evgeniya POPOVA (Tomsk State University; pevgen@eu.spb.ru) and Olga BYCHKOVA (European University at St.Petersburg; olga.bychkova@yahoo.com)

“Urbanites and Reforms in Public Utility Sector: Networks of Resistance”

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“Marshrutkas Between Politics and Policy: Technologically Mediated Mobilities in Post-Soviet Volgograd, Russia”

SO-01 ♦ Round-Table: Astana: Re-imagining the City and Good Governance after the First Decades of Urban Pioneerhood

Location: Block 6, Room 6.105

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SESSION 2 ♦ Thursday, May 22 ♦ 15:30-17:15

Featured Panel:

PO-03 ♦ Round-Table: Russia's Relations with Its Neighbors in 2014

Location: A

Chair: Daniel PUGH (Nazarbayev University; dpugh@nu.edu.kz)

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AN-03 ♦ Place and the Construction of the Past and Future

Location: Block 7, Room 7.105

Chair: Ildikó BELLÉR-HANN (University of Copenhagen; ildiko@hum.ku.dk)

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Tea KAMUSHADZE (Ivane Javakishvili Tbilisi State University; tea.kamushadze@tsu.ge)

“The Place of People's Friendship in the Urban Space of Rustavi City”

Barbara KLIMEK (University of Silesia in Katowice; bahklimek@gmail.com)

“Propagandistic Aspects of Railway Connections in Former Yugoslavia”

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Dmitry Nikolaevich MELNIKOV (Independent Scholar; melnikovdn79@gmail.com)

“The Narrative of the Future of Astana and Social Construction of Time”

Yuri Yuriev BOYANIN (La Trobe University; yyb@lyub.com)

“The Yurt, the House, and the Kolkhoz: Collective and Individual Memory among the Kyrgyz of China, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan and Turkey”

ED-02 ♦ Educational Institution Building and Rebuilding

Location: Block 6, Room 6.141

Chair: Tim KEIRN (California State University, Long Beach; tim.keirn@csulb.edu)

Discussant: Christopher WHITSEL (Nazarbayev University; christopher.whitsel@nu.edu.kz)

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“Struggling for Control: Education in Albania and the Italian and Greek Intervention (1916-1920)”

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“Gender Views and the Gender Gap in Education: Has Compulsory Schooling Helped Girls in Turkey?”

Almaz TOLYMBEK (Delta International University of New Orleans; atolymbek@yahoo.com)

“Downsizing Higher Education in Kazakhstan: Will It Boost Competitiveness?”

HI-03 ♦ New Research on the Khanate of Khoqand

Location: Block 7, Room 7.246

Chair: Marianne Ruth KAMP (University of Wyoming; mkamp@uwyo.edu)

Discussant: Danielle ROSS (Nazarbayev University; dross@nu.edu.kz)

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“Military Technology and the Early Modern Central Asian State: Changing Dynamics and the Rise of Khoqand”

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“The Death of 'Alimqul and the Fall of Tashkent, 1864-5”

Bakhtiyar BABADJANOV (Academy of Sciences of the Republic of Uzbekistan; bbmir@yandex.ru)

“Sacred Cities of the Khoqand Khante: From Sayram to Osh [Святые города Кокандского ханства: от Сайрама до Оша]”

PO-04 ♦ Natural Resources, Corporate Social Responsibility and Institutional Development in Kazakhstan

Location: Block 6, Room 6.302

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First Keynote Speech**

“Avoiding the Resource Curse by Diversification? Comparing Linkage Strategies in Kazakhstan and Norway”

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

“Informal Institutions of Reciprocity in Post-Soviet Kazakhstan: Structural Explanations”

Azhar Begenovna BAISAKALOVA (KIMEP University; azhbeg@kimep.kz)

“Sustainable Enterprise and CSR in Kazakhstan: Current State and Trends”

SO-02 ♦ Creating Health and Well-being

Location: Block 6, Room 6.105

Chair: Mehrigiul ABLEZOVA (American University of Central Asia; mehrigiul@gmail.com)

Discussant: Gwen MCEVOY (Nazarbayev University; gmcevoy@nu.edu.kz)

Bryan J. FURMAN (Academy of Sciences of the Republic of Tajikistan;
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“Donor Politics and Culturally Insensitive Programming: Why Tajik Psychosocial Support Services Have Yet to Flourish”

Brett CRAIG (Nazarbayev University; bcraig@nu.edu.kz) and Martha Corley ENGSTROM (Georgia State University; mengstrom@gsu.edu)

“Public Health and Social Desirability in Kazakhstan: Methodological Considerations”

Rahat OROZOVA (Independent Scholar; orozova@mail.ru)

“Construction of Children’s Disability in Kyrgyz Communities”

Saltanat CHILDRESS (University of Maryland, Baltimore; sdushalieva@ssw.umaryland.edu)

“Understanding Women’s Experiences and Coping with Domestic Violence in Kyrgyzstan: A Grounded Theory Study”

First Keynote Speech

“Towards a Maximally Inclusive Concept of Eurasia”

Professor Chris Hann (Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology, Germany)

Time: Thursday, May 22; 17:30-18:45

Location: Block 5, Room 5.103

Synopsis:

Eurasia can be defined territorially in a variety of ways, ranging from restricted zones of Central (or Inner) Asia to the whole of Asia, plus Europe, plus North Africa. The latter, expansive definition is warranted by the substantial measure of unity which developed across this landmass following the urban revolutions of the Bronze Age. Scholarship has privileged the civilizational innovations of the Center-South, and analysed alternating leadership between East and West. But with Europe in decline and the great traditions of the East and South on the rise, openings may soon appear for the North-Center to broker a world-historical compromise. Until this becomes politically realistic, Eurasia is best considered detached from territory altogether — as an inclusive, unified mental space.

SESSION 3 ♦ Friday, May 23 ♦ 9:00-10:45

AN-04 ♦ [Re]Claiming Bishkek

Location: Block 7, Room 7.105

Chair: Meghanne BARKER (University of Michigan, Ann Arbor; mmbarker@umich.edu)

Discussant: Mariya (Masha) VLASOVA (Independent Scholar; mozart.is.amazing@gmail.com)

Emil NASRITDINOV (American University of Central Asia, Bishkek; emilzn@gmail.com)

“Anthropology through Anthropology Club: Claiming the Space among Intellectual Platforms in Bishkek”

Georgy MAMEDOV (School of Theory and Activism - Bishkek (STAB/ИИТАБ); georgy.mamedov@gmail.com)

“Bishkek: The City as a Class Phenomenon”

Bermet ZHUMAKADYR KYZY (Independent Scholar; zhumakadyrkyzy.b@gmail.com), Emil NASRITDINOV (American University of Central Asia, Bishkek; emilzn@gmail.com) and Diana ASANALIEVA (Independent Scholar; dianayo07@gmail.com)

“Myths and Realities of Bishkek’s Novostroikas”

Erica Pelta FELDMAN (University of Michigan, Ann Arbor / American University of Central Asia, Bishkek; ericapf@umich.edu)

“Decoding Bishkek: Text, Context, and Social Meaning in Everyday Multilingualism”

AN-05 ♦ Transformation, Competing Discourses and Identity Issues in Central Asian Societies: Theoretical Considerations

Location: Block 7, Room 7.507

Panel is in English and Russian.

Chair: Kairat KURAKBAYEV (Nazarbayev University; kkurakbayev@nu.edu.kz)

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

Sunatullo JONBOBOEV (University of Central Asia; sunatullo.jonboboev@ucentralasia.org)

“Cultural Heritage in Central Asia: A Source of Contention or a Channel for Inspiring Development?”

Cecilia Ioana MANOLIU (University of Tsukuba; cecilia_manoliu@yahoo.com)

“Disaster Risk Reduction at the interface between Theory and Practice: Reflections on the Concepts of Resilience and Vulnerability”

Shirali GULOMALIEV (University of Tsukuba, MEXT; srillgoz@gmail.com)

“The Contemporary Situation of Wakhi Language in Tajikistan, Afghanistan, Pakistan, and China [Современное социальное положение ваханского языка]”

Leila IYLDYZ (Nazarbayev University; leila.iyldyz@nu.edu.kz)

“Language Policy in Education in Kazakhstan: Trilingualism or Language Diversity?”

ED-03 ♦ The Impacts of Education

Location: Block 6, Room 6.141

Chair: Christopher WHITSEL (Nazarbayev University; christopher.whitsel@nu.edu.kz)

Discussant: Tim KEIRN (California State University, Long Beach; tim.keirn@csulb.edu)

John WITTE (University of Wisconsin-Madison; witte@lafollette.wisc.edu)

“Choices for Nations Developing Provisions for Higher Education”

Alan DEYOUNG (Aga Khan University; alan.deyoung@aku.edu) and Parveen ROY (Aga Khan University; parveen.roy@aku.edu)

“Using the Koran to Teach about Social Cohesion in the Swat Valley, Pakistan”

Liudmila KOPECKA (Charles University in Prague; ludmila.kopecka@yahoo.com)

“Educational Migration from Russia and Kazakhstan to the Czech Republic”

HI-04 ♦ Mobilization and Identity Construction

Location: Block 7, Room 7.246

Chair: Katharina BUCK (Lecturer of the German Academic Exchange Service (‘DAAD’) at Buketov Karaganda State University, Kazakhstan; k.buck@bristolalumni.org.uk)

Discussant: Ed SCHATZ (University of Toronto; ed.schatz@utoronto.ca)

Zbigniew WOJNOWSKI (Nazarbayev University; zbigniew.wojnowski@nu.edu.kz)

“Making Enemies: Historical Memory and the Ethnic Foundations of Soviet Patriotism in Ukraine, 1968-1980”

Vilius IVANAUSKAS (Lithuanian Institute of History; vilius.ivanaukas@gmail.com)

“Soviet ‘Exotic’, Soviet ‘West’ and Soviet ‘East’: Strategies of National Mobilization among Writers in Georgia, Lithuania and Kyrgyzstan”

Alissa KLOTS (Rutgers University; alissaklots@yandex.ru)

“Domestic Servants and the Myth of 1905: A Revolution of Their Own?”

Slavomír HORÁK (Charles University in Prague; slavomir.horak@post.cz)

“The Battle of Geokdepe in the Context of Personality Cults in Post-Soviet Turkmenistan”

HI-05 ♦ Orenburg Region as Object of Reforms: The Development Experience of the Periphery in the Russian Empire

Location: Block 7, Room 7.210

Panel is in Russian.

Chair: Saule UDERBAEVA (Al-Farabi Kazakh National University; saule.70@mail.ru)

Discussant: Svetlana Ivanovna KOVALSKAYA (L. N. Gumilyov Eurasian National University; skovalsk@yahoo.com)

Sergey Valentinovich LYUBICHANKOVSKIY (Orenburg State Pedagogical University; svlubich@yandex.ru)

“Realization of the Prison Reform of Alexander II in Orenburg Region”

Elena Viktorovna GODOVOVA (Russian Presidential Academy of National Economy and Public Administration (Orenburg Branch); godovova@mail.ru)

“Reformist Policy on the Orenburg Cossacks during the 19th Century”

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SESSION 3 ♦ Friday, May 23 ♦ 9:00-10:45

Alfiya BAKIROVA (Orenburg state institute of management; bakirovaalf@mail.ru)

“Movement for Madrasah and Religious Elementary School Reform in the Late 19th Century in Orenburg Province”

IR-02 ♦ Between East and West

Location: Block 6, Room 6.507

Chair: Kamen VELICHKOV (Nazarbayev University; kamen.velichkov@eeas.europa.eu)

Discussant: Kristopher WHITE (KIMEP University; kwhite@kimep.kz)

Juraj MARUŠIAK (Institute of Political Science, Slovak Academy of Sciences;
juraj.marusiak@savba.sk)

“Viktor Orbán between Occidentalism and Euro-Asianism”

Ksenia Sergeevna KULAKOVA (University of South Florida; kulakova@mail.usf.edu)

“Between the East and West: Ukraine’s Eternal Dilemma”

Bakyt OSPANOVA (L. N. Gumilyov Eurasian National University; bakyt.ospan@gmail.com) and
Houman A. SADRI (University of Central Florida; houman.sadri@ucf.edu)

“Public Perception of the European Union in Kazakhstan”

LB-01 ♦ Library Resources for Eurasian Scholarly Research

Location: Block 6, Room 6.402

Chair: James AGEE (Nazarbayev University; jagee@nu.edu.kz)

Patricia THURSTON (Yale University; patricia.thurston@yale.edu)

“The Librarian’s Changing Role in the Quest for Knowledge: Keys and Barriers to Discovery and Access in the 21st Century”

Janet CRAYNE (University of Michigan; jcrayne@umich.edu)

“Collection Assessment Based on Metadata from One Library’s OCLC Catalog Records”

Aliya SARSEMBINOVA (Nazarbayev University; asarsembinova@nu.edu.kz)

“A Look at Online Kazakhstani Resources for Eurasia Scholars”

Akram KHABIBULLAEV (Indiana University, Bloomington; akkhabib@indiana.edu)

“Library Resources for Central Eurasian Studies”

PO-05 ♦ Parties, Leadership and Mobilization

Location: Block 6, Room 6.302

Chair: Azamat JUNISBAI (Pitzer College; ajunisba@pitzer.edu)

Discussant: Emilbek DZHURAEV (American University of Central Asia; emil.joroev@gmail.com)

Fernando CASAL BÉRTOA (University of Nottingham; fernando.casal.bertoa@nottingham.ac.uk)

“Trying to Get It Right at Last! On the Sources of Party System (Under-)Institutionalization in the Black Sea Area”

Galym ZHUSSIPBEK (Independent Scholar; asym22@yahoo.com)

“Some Factors Necessary to Build Pluralistic and Tolerant Societies in Muslim-Majority Countries: Lessons Derived from the Turkish AKP’s (JDP) ‘Problematic’ Third Term in Office”

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SESSION 4 ♦ Friday, May 23 ♦ 11:00-12:45

Frank CIBULKA (Zayed University; frank.cibulka@zu.ac.ae)

“The Post-Communist Transition and Leadership Oral History”

SESSION 4 ♦ Friday, May 23 ♦ 11:00-12:45

AN-06 ♦ Will the Real Astana Please Stand Up?

Location: Block 7, Room 7.105

Chair: Barbara COLE (Nazarbayev University; bcole@nu.edu.kz)

Discussant: Margaret Christine HANSON (Ohio State University; hanson.257@osu.edu)

Michaela POHL (Vassar College; mipohl@vassar.edu)

“The Contribution of Prisoners to Astana History”

Svetlana Ivanovna KOVALSKAYA (L. N. Gumilyov Eurasian National University;
skovalsk@yahoo.com)

“History around Us”

Kishimjan OSMONOVA (Humboldt University; kishimjan.osmonova@gmail.com)

“Coming to Terms with the Past and Coping with the Present: Russians in Astana”

***AN-07 ♦ Transformation, Competing Discourses and Identity Issues
in Central Asian Societies: Legacy of the Soviet Union***

Location: Block 7, Room 7.507

Chair: Christopher WHITSEL (Nazarbayev University; christopher.whitsel@nu.edu.kz)

Discussant: Carole FAUCHER (Nazarbayev University; carole.faucher@nu.edu.kz)

Dagikhudo DAGIEV (The Institute of Ismaili Studies; dagidagiev@hotmail.com)

“Ethnic Identity of Pamir-i People and its Collision in Post-Soviet Tajikistan”

Kairat KURAKBAYEV (Nazarbayev University; kkurakbayev@nu.edu.kz) and Olena FIMYAR
(University of Cambridge; ohf21@cam.ac.uk)

“‘Soviet’ in Memories, Subjectivities and Identities of School Teachers in Kazakhstan”

Damira UMETBAEVA (European University Viadrina, Frankfurt (Oder); damira.u.m@gmail.com)

**“Negotiating Nationhood: On History Textbooks and History Teachers in Post-Soviet
Kyrgyzstan”**

HI-06 ♦ Forming Identities

Location: Block 7, Room 7.246

Panel is in English and Russian.

Chair: Alissa KLOTS (Rutgers University; alissaklots@yandex.ru)

Discussant: Charles F. CARLSON (Kyrgyzstan-Turkey Manas University;
charlescarlson333@gmail.com)

Feruza SHERMATOVA (International Ata Turk-Ala Too University; biruzas09@gmail.com)

“The Sociolinguistic Situation in Modern Kyrgyzstan”

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

**“Marginalization of the Academic Community in the Post-Soviet Situation
[Маргинализация академического сообщества в постсоветской ситуации]”**

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SESSION 4 ♦ Friday, May 23 ♦ 11:00-12:45

Meruyert IBRAYEVA (Nazarbayev University; mribrayeva@nu.edu.kz)

“Paremia as an Expression of National Identity”

HI-07 ♦ Kazakh Officials in the 19th Century: Posts and Social Conditions of Service [Казахские чиновники XIX века: должности, социальные условия службы]

Location: Block 7, Room 7.210

Panel is in Russian.

Chair: Sergey Valentinovich LYUBICHANKOVSKIY (Orenburg State Pedagogical University / Оренбургский государственный педагогический университет; svlubich@yandex.ru)

Discussant: Alexander Stephen MORRISON (Nazarbayev University; alexander.morrison@nu.edu.kz)

Gulmira SULTANGALIEVA (Al-Farabi Kazakh National University; rosa_1933@rambler.ru)

“Kazakh Sultans of Orenburg Region in the 19th Century: Position, Rank and Social Security [Казахские султаны Оренбургского ведомства в XIX в.: должности, чины и обеспечение]”

Tenlik DALAYEVA (Abai Kazakh National Pedagogical University; tenlik95@gmail.com)

“The Material Conditions of Kazakh Officials: Salaries and Social Well-being [Материальное состояние казахских чиновников: жалование и социальное обеспечение]”

Saule UDERBAEVA (Al-Farabi Kazakh National University; saule.70@mail.ru)

“Kazakh Officials of the Turkestan Governor-Generalship: Positions Held and Professional Careers [Казахские чиновники Туркестанского генерал-губернаторства: должности и профессиональная карьера]”

IR-03 ♦ Eurasian Integration: Power and Process

Location: Block 6, Room 6.507

Chair: Assel BITABAROVA (Hokkaido University; assel.bitabar@gmail.com)

Discussant: Vladimir PEREBOEV (Eurasian Bank of Development; pereboev_vs@eabr.org)

Marcus KIM (Nazarbayev University / University College London; marcus.kim@ucl.ac.uk)

“The Politics of the Eurasian Customs Union and the Eurasian Union: The Return of the Past Leviathan?”

Roza SARBAYEVA (Al-Farabi Kazakh National University; sarbayroza@mail.ru)

“On the Way to Eurasian Economic Union: Issues, Opinions and Prospects of Its Development”

Vladimir BOYKO (Altai State Pedagogical Academy; vboyko2001@yahoo.com)

“Greater Altai as an Inter-border Region and Integration Project in the Eurasian Context from the Late 1990s to the Early 2010s”

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SESSION 4 ♦ Friday, May 23 ♦ 11:00-12:45

LI-01 ♦ Russian Literary Imagination

Location: Block 6, Room 6.141

Chair: Rasa BALOCKAITE (Vytautas Magnus University; rasa15@gmail.com)

Discussant: James NIKOPOULOS (Nazarbayev University; james.nikopoulos@nu.edu.kz)

Sarah KAPP (University of Wisconsin-Madison; shkapp@gmail.com)

“Olga Sedakova and the Writing on the Deaths of Poets”

Victoria THORSTENSSON (Yale University; vikathoria@gmail.com)

“On the Survival of Words and Things: The Task of the Intelligentsia in Alexander Chudakov’s Novel-Idyll ‘A Gloom is Cast Upon the Old Steps’”

PO-06 ♦ Political Participation

Location: Block 6, Room 6.302

Chair: Medet TIULEGENOV (American University of Central Asia, Bishkek; tiulegenov@gmail.com)

Discussant: Elena MALTSEVA (Nazarbayev University; yelena.maltseva@nu.edu.kz)

Elira Omurbekovna TURDUBAEVA (Kyrgyzstan-Turkey Manas University; elira_hil@yahoo.com)

“Social Network Site Users and Political Participation in Kyrgyzstan”

Azamat JUNISBAI (Pitzer College; ajunisba@pitzer.edu), Barbara JUNISBAI (Pitzer College; barbara_junisbai@pitzer.edu) and Baurzhan ZHUSSUPOV (Columbia University Global Health Research Center of Central Asia; baurzhan.zhussupov@gmail.com)

“Democracy, Anyone?: Support for Democratic Governance in Newly Unequal Societies: Evidence from Post-Soviet Market Economies”

PO-07 ♦ Contested Territories

Location: Block 6, Room 6.402

Chair: Olivier FERRANDO (French Institute for Central Asian Studies (IFEAC); ifeacd@gmail.com)

Discussant: Katharina BUCK (Lecturer of the German Academic Exchange Service (‘DAAD’) at Buketov Karaganda State University, Kazakhstan; k.buck@bristolalumni.org.uk)

Ashot MARGARYAN (Independent Scholar; ashot.margaryan.12@alumni.ucl.ac.uk)

“How Does Armenia’s Joining the Eurasian Customs Union affect the Nagorno-Karabakh Conflict?”

Nabijon RAHIMOV (Khujand State University; nabir@mail.ru)

“Isfara: The Disputed Border Sections, Hotbed of Tension and Reflection of Latent Conflict”

SO-03 ♦ Round-Table: Institutional Logic, Informal Networks and Management Practice in Kazakhstan

Location: Block 6, Room 6.105

Chair: Fernando CASAL BÉRTOA (University of Nottingham; fernando.casal.bertoa@nottingham.ac.uk)

Jasper HOTHØ (Copenhagen Business School; jh.int@cbs.dk)

Maral MURATBEKOVA-TOURON (ESCP Europe; mmuratbekova@escpeurope.eu)

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Dana MINBAEVA (Copenhagen Business School; dm.smg@cbs.dk)

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AN-08 ♦ Informal Practices and Social Networks in Central Asia

Location: Block 7, Room 7.105

Chair: Damira UMETBAEVA (European University Viadrina, Frankfurt (Oder); damira.u.m@gmail.com)

Discussant: Ildikó BELLÉR-HANN (University of Copenhagen; ildiko@hum.ku.dk)

Cynthia WERNER (Texas A&M University; werner@tamu.edu), Celia EMMELHAINZ (Kent State University; celia.emmelhainz@gmail.com) and Holly BARCUS (Macalester College; barcus@macalester.edu)

“The Shifting Status of Kazakh Repatriates (Oralman) in Kazakhstan: From Privileged Migrants to Portrayals of Wrongdoing”

Johan ENGVALL (Uppsala University; johan.engvall@ucrs.uu.se)

“The Challenge of Corruption and Curbing Corruption in Kyrgyzstan since 2010”

Natsuko OKA (Institute of Developing Economies, Japan External Trade Organization; na2koka@gmail.com)

“Problem-solving Strategies in Everyday Life: How the Use of Informal Networks Has Changed in Post-Soviet Kazakhstan”

AN-09 ♦ Transformation, Competing Discourses and Identity Issues in Central Asian Societies: Pluralism and Difference

Location: Block 7, Room 7.507

Chair: Dagikhudo DAGIEV (The Institute of Ismaili Studies; dagidagiev@hotmail.com)

Discussant: Tone BRINGA (University of Bergen, Norway; tone.bringa@sosantr.uib.no)

Carole FAUCHER (Nazarbayev University; carole.faucher@nu.edu.kz)

“Trans-Nationalism, Religious Education and the Shifting of Identities among Tajik Pamiri Youth”

Abdulmamad ILOLIEV (The Institute of Ismaili Studies; ailoliev@iis.ac.uk)

“Migration and Racism: A Case Study of Tajik Labor Migrants in Russia”

Alfira MAKHMUTOVA (Independent Scholar; alfira2002@gmail.com)

“To What Extent Language Education Policies for Ethnic Minority Groups in Kazakhstan Has Been Shaped through Linguistic Human Rights”

EC-01 ♦ Managing Water Resources in Eurasia

Location: Block 6, Room 6.402

Chair: Evgeniya POPOVA (Tomsk State University; pevgen@eu.spb.ru)

Discussant: Daniel BURGHART (National Intelligence University; dlburgh@gmail.com)

Dina KASKINA (Nazarbayev University; dina.kaskina@nu.edu.kz) and Roland Alexander BRADSHAW (Nazarbayev University; roland.bradshaw@nu.edu.kz)

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“Using High Resolution Remote Sensing Technology to Monitor and Assess Water Resources in Eurasia”

Roland Alexander BRADSHAW (Nazarbayev University; roland.bradshaw@nu.edu.kz) and Shamshagul MASHTAYEVA (L. N. Gumilyov Eurasian National University; shamsha2001@mail.ru)

“Managing Water Resources with an Asset Management Framework”

Robert DENNIS (Nazarbayev University; robert.dennis@nu.edu.kz), Shumakho KUMYKOV (Nazarbayev University; skumykov@nu.edu.kz) and Roland Alexander BRADSHAW (Nazarbayev University; roland.bradshaw@nu.edu.kz)

“Wastewater Treatment and Sludge Disposal for Small Communities in Cold Climates”

HI-08 ♦ Creating and Reconstructing National Identities

Location: Block 7, Room 7.246

Panel is in English and Russian.

Chair: Julia FEIN (Rutgers University; jfein@history.rutgers.edu)

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

Meiramgul KUSSAINOVA (Nazarbayev University; mkussainova@nu.edu.kz)

“The Poem ‘Kenesary-Nauryzbai’ by Nysambai-Zhirau: Truth vs. Myth”

Aiganym KAIRBEKOVA (Nazarbayev University; akairbekova@nu.edu.kz)

“An Analysis of National Self-Determination of Kazakhs and Turks between 1917 and 1922”

Dinmukhambet RAIYMBEKOV (Nazarbayev University; draiymbekov@nu.edu.kz)

“Creating a Great Turkestan: A Comparison of Mustafa Kemal and Mustafa Chokaev”

Danielle ROSS (Nazarbayev University; dross@nu.edu.kz)

“Covering ‘the Most Important Question of Our Time’: Europe’s National Question in Russia’s Turkic Press, (1912-1916)”

HI-09 ♦ Representing Central Asia

Location: Block 7, Room 7.210

Chair: Karim YENGSEP (Nazarbayev University; karim.yengsep@nu.edu.kz)

Discussant: Michaela POHL (Vassar College; mipohl@vassar.edu)

Nurlan TUSSUPOV (Nazarbayev University; tussupov.n@gmail.com)

“Shaping the Past in Uzbekistan and Kazakhstan: The Depiction of Muhammad Shaybani and His Uzbeks in the History Textbooks of the Two Countries”

Cathleen LEWIS (Smithsonian Air and Space Museum; lewiscs@si.edu)

“Baikonur, Tyuratam and Longue Durée History”

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

“Observing Sart Women: The Nalivkins in Nanai”

Kristopher WHITE (KIMEP University; kwhite@kimep.kz)

“The Snow Leopard and Cultural Landscape in Contemporary Kazakhstan”

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IR-04 ♦ Eurasian Integration: The Place of Kazakhstan

Location: Block 6, Room 6.507

Chair: Marcus KIM (Nazarbayev University / University College London; marcus.kim@ucl.ac.uk)

Discussant: Botagoz RAKISHEVA (Public Opinion Research Institute; brakisheva@gmail.com)

Gregory GLEASON (George C. Marshall Center; gleasong@unm.edu)

“Integration: Zeitgeist of Our Time”

Birzhan BAKUMBAYEV (King’s College London; birzhan.bakumbayev@kcl.ac.uk)

“Kazakhstan and the Emerging Eurasian Order: From ‘Order Taker’ to ‘Order Maker’”

Molly O’NEAL (Johns Hopkins University; moneal1@jhu.edu)

“Kazakhstan in the Customs Union: Regionalism and the Multilateral Trading System”

LI-02 ♦ Border Anxiety

Location: Block 6, Room 6.141

Chair: James NIKOPOULOS (Nazarbayev University; james.nikopoulos@nu.edu.kz)

Discussant: Victoria THORSTENSSON (Yale University; vikathoria@gmail.com)

Miglena DIKOVA-MILANOVA (Independent Scholar; miglenascheers@yahoo.com)

“Laughing at Cultural Difference: Aleko Konstantinov’s ‘Bai Ganyo’ and Alek Popov’s ‘Mission London’”

Rasa BALOCKAITE (Vytautas Magnus University; rasa15@gmail.com)

“Re-imagining East and West in Post-Soviet Lithuanian Literature”

PO-08 ♦ The Challenge of Religious Politics

Location: Block 6, Room 6.302

Chair: Zeev LEVIN (The Hebrew University of Jerusalem; levinzv@gmail.com)

Discussant: Barış İŞÇİ PEMBEÇİ (Mugla University; bpembeci@gmail.com)

William A. WOOD (Point Loma Nazarene University; bwood@pointloma.edu)

“Turkmen Holy Men and their Political Role in the 19th Century”

David LEVY (Boston University; dplevy@bu.edu)

“Pastoral Power and ‘Non-Traditional’ Religions in Kazakhstan and Kyrgyzstan”

Denis Nikolayevich ZUEV (Independent Scholar; tungus66@gmail.com) and Matteo VERGANI (University of Melbourne; matteo.vergani@gmail.com)

“Radical Islam and Visual Politics: Comparing YouTube Videos of the North Caucasus and Uighur Neojihadist Militants”

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SESSION 6 ♦ Friday, May 23 ♦ 16:15-18:00

SO-04 ♦ Social Participation in Local Communities of Siberia and Kazakhstan

Location: Block 6, Room 6.105

Panel is in English and Russian.

Chair: Gwen MCEVOY (Nazarbayev University; gmcevoy@nu.edu.kz)

Discussant: Alima BISSENOVA (Nazarbayev University; abissenova@nu.edu.kz)

Sarah Busse SPENCER (Higher School of Economics, Moscow; sspencer@hse.ru)

“Recruitment to Participation in Local Communities: A Case Study in Siberia”

Irina Anatolyevna SKALABAN (Novosibirsk State Technical University; skalaban@ngs.ru)

“Social Participation in Urban and Rural Communities: Historical and Social Analysis”

Ludmila Alekseevna OSMUK (Novosibirsk State Technical University; osmuk@mail.ru) and Inna Sergeevna LEBEDEVA (Independent Scholar; is_lebedeva@mail.ru)

“Models of Inter-Sectoral Partnership in Siberia and Kazakhstan: Stages of Development”

SESSION 6 ♦ Friday, May 23 ♦ 16:15-18:00

Featured Panel:

IN-01 ♦ Round-Table: Interdisciplinarity, Regional Studies and Eurasia

Location: Block 5, Room 5.103

Chair: Yoshiko HERRERA (University of Wisconsin-Madison; yherrera@wisc.edu)

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

Almira OUSMANOVA (European Humanities University; almira.ousmanova@ehu.lt)

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

Asel MURZAKULOVA (Bishkek Humanities University; aselmurza@gmail.com)

Olivier FERRANDO (French Institute for Central Asian Studies (IFEAC); ifeacd@gmail.com)

Elena OMELCHENKO (Higher School of Economics, St. Petersburg; omelchenko@mail.ru)

AN-10 ♦ Georgia on the Crossroads of Cultural Flows: 19th-20th Centuries - I

Location: Block 7, Room 7.105

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

Discussant: Timothy Kevin BLAUVELT (Ilia State University / American Councils; timothy.blauvelt@iliauni.edu.ge)

Ketevan KHUTSISHVILI (Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University; ketevan.khutsishvili@tsu.ge)
“Shared Sacred Sites — Shared Cultures: Christian-Moslem Relations in Georgia”

Grigol JOKHADZE (Giorgi Akhvlediani Society for the History of Linguistics; jokhadzegrigol@yahoo.com)

“Eurasian Culture and the Georgian Men of Letters”

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Tinatin BOLKVADZE (Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University / G. Akhvlediani Society for the History of Linguistics; tinatin.bolkvadze@hotmail.com)
“The Notion of Language Union and Caucasian Languages”

AN-11 ♦ The Social Realities of Post-Soviet Economies

Location: Block 7, Room 7.507

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

Discussant: Markus KAISER (University of Trier / Eurasian National University; kaiser.mrks@gmail.com)

Carolin MÄRTENS (Eberhard Karls Universität Tübingen; carolin.maertens@yahoo.com)
“No Debt, No Business: Morality and Social Obligation in Retail Trading in Ishkoshim, Tajikistan”

Dena SHOLK (KIMEP University / Georgetown University; dsholk@gmail.com)
“Civilizing Trade: Exploring the Merits of Eliminating Almaty’s Barakholka”

Aigul ZABIROVA (L. N. Gumilyov Eurasian National University; zabirova2010@gmail.com)
“Household Activity in Kazakhstan: Income and Employment”

HI-10 ♦ The Great Famine in Kazakhstan

Location: Block 7, Room 7.246

Panel is in English and Russian.

Chair: Jeremy SMITH (University of Eastern Finland; jeremy.smith@uef.fi)

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

Stephen WHEATCROFT (Nazarbayev University; stephen.wheatcroft@nu.edu.kz)
“Towards Mapping the Regional Dimensions of the Famine in Kazakhstan”

Niccolò PIANCIOLA (Lingnan University, Hong Kong; niccolopianciola@ln.edu.hk)
“The Great Famine in the Aral Region”

Aizhamal KUDAYBERGENOVA (Sh. Ualikhhanov Institute of History and Ethnology; akudaybergen@yandex.kz)
“Consequences of the Famine of the Early 20th Century in Kazakhstan in Figures [Последствия голода начала XX века в Казахстане в цифрах]”

IR-05 ♦ Eurasian Integration: The Roles of China and India

Location: Block 6, Room 6.507

Chair: Vladimir BOYKO (Altai State Pedagogical Academy; vboyko2001@yahoo.com)

Discussant: Gregory GLEASON (George C. Marshall Center; gleasong@unm.edu)

Assel BITABAROVA (Hokkaido University; assel.bitabar@gmail.com)
“Central Asian and Chinese Perceptions of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization: Common Goals, Different Attitudes?”

Ulbolsyn Malikovna ORAKBAYEVA (L. N. Gumilyov Eurasian National University; uma_janchik@mail.ru)

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Second Keynote Speech**

**“Challenges of India’s Inclusion in the Custom Union in the Framework of Policy
towards Central Asia”**

Second Keynote Speech

“For an Engaged Knowledge: On the Relevance of Marxism for the Studies of Post-Socialist Cultures”

Professor Almira Ousmanova (European Humanities University)

Time: Friday, May 23; 18:15-19:30

Location: Block 5, Room 5.103

Synopsis:

Marxism is, undoubtedly, in vogue again. But, leaving aside the issue of its growing political importance on a global scale, one could pose the question — in which forms and with what implications Marxist theory (cultural Marxism included) can be relevant for the studies of Post/socialist history and culture?

The degeneration of Marxism into dogma during late socialism seriously affected the fate of this theory in the Postsoviet period. After the collapse of the Soviet Union, it became part of intellectual history, but ceased to be perceived as a living tradition, which would have an emancipatory potential, conceptual depth and methodological legitimacy. Soviet Marxism was heavily compromised not only by the guardians of ideological orthodoxy, but in addition to that, it has been “convicted” for the entire experience of “real socialism” (along with the political repressions and economic failures of the “society of labor”). Yet the history of Western Marxism is living proof of its viability: throughout the entire 20th century, Marxist theoreticians (from A. Gramsci, W. Benjamin and T. W. Adorno to F. Jameson, A. Badiu, S. Hall, S. Buck-Morss, S. Žižek and many others) have been contributing to the development of new categories of socio-critical analysis that are now widely used in various disciplines.

How do we work with these ideas and approaches when it comes to the interpretation of our own past? How do we think and what kind of research questions do we formulate in relation to Soviet modernization, “national” question, women’s emancipation, orientalism and colonization, everyday life or visual culture? I would argue, that Marxist theory (in both Soviet and Western versions) is important also as a discursive ‘code of access’ for studies of Soviet past: it does help to understand better the conceptual foundations of the socialist project, and its utopian substratum, as well as its material incarnations.

Pondering to what extent our research agenda is driven by the ‘ideologies’ of theories that we apply, I also propose to discuss the issue of the “engaged knowledge” as a mode of theoretical positioning, emotional involvement and political reflexivity, which are of particular importance for the current historical moment.

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AN-12 ♦ Georgia on the Crossroads of Cultural Flows: 19th-20th Centuries - II

Location: Block 7, Room 7.105

Chair: Ketevan KHUTSISHVILI (Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University; ketevan.khutsishvili@tsu.ge)

Discussant: Zhanna (Jeanne) KORMINA (National Research University Higher School of Economics; kormina@eu.spb.ru)

Zviad MIRTSKHULAVA (Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University; mirckhulavaz@gmail.com)
“The ‘Baptism’ Ritual: A Synthetic Element of Everyday Life (the Case of Kvemo Kartli in Georgia)”

Tamar ANTADZE (Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University; takoantadze@gmail.com)
“Russian ‘Spiritual Christians’ in Georgia: The Process of Finding the Ways for Survival”

Natia PUTKARADZE (Giorgi Akhvlediani Society for the History of Linguistics / Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University; putkaradzenatia@gmail.com)
“Eurasian Theory and Christianity”

AN-13 ♦ The Dynamism of Things: Exploring Materiality in Contemporary Central Asia

Location: Block 7, Room 7.507

Chair: Dena SHOLK (KIMEP University / Georgetown University; dsholk@gmail.com)

Discussant: Georgy MAMEDOV (School of Theory and Activism - Bishkek (STAB/ИИТАБ); georgy.mamedov@gmail.com)

Meghanne BARKER (University of Michigan, Ann Arbor; mmbarker@umich.edu)
“Musical Helicopters: Technologies of Transformation in Children’s Play”

Mariya (Masha) VLASOVA (Independent Scholar; mozart.is.amazing@gmail.com)
“Monuments and Other Things that Change”

Erica Pelta FELDMAN (University of Michigan, Ann Arbor; ericapf@umich.edu)
“The Social Life of LOMO: The Birth, Life, Near-Death, and Unlikely Resurrection of a Soviet Snapshot Camera”

Celia EMMELHAINZ (Kent State University; celia.emmelhainz@gmail.com)
“Research and the Materiality of Knowledge in the Post-Soviet Social Sciences”

EC-02 ♦ Running the New Economy

Location: Block 6, Room 6.402

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

Discussant: Molly O’NEAL (Johns Hopkins University; moneal1@jhu.edu)

David KEMME (University of Memphis; dmkemme@memphis.edu) and Sabit KHAKIMZHANOV (Halyk Finance; s.khakimzhanov@halykfinance.kz)

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“Corporate Governance, Transparency, Privatization and Performance: Kazakhstan Firms and the People’s IPO”

Saule OSPANOVA (Independent Scholar; ospanovs@hotmail.com)

“Green Economy Assessment in Kazakhstan”

Anatole DOUAUD (Sciences-Po, Paris / Columbia University; anatole.douaud@sciencespo.fr)

“Energy Scarcity in Tajikistan and Kyrgyzstan: Social Lives of Energy”

ED-04 ♦ Educational Research in Central Asia: Doing and Developing Capacity

Location: Block 7, Room 7.210

Chair: Carole FAUCHER (Nazarbayev University; carole.faucher@nu.edu.kz)

Discussant: Martha MERRILL (Kent State University; mmerril@kent.edu)

Duishon SHAMATOV (Nazarbayev University; duishonkul.shamatov@nu.edu.kz) and Daniel TORRANO (Nazarbayev University; daniel.torrano@nu.edu.kz)

“Developing Graduate Students’ Research Skills in Central Asia”

Aliya KUZHABEKOVA (Nazarbayev University; aliya.kuzhabekova@nu.edu.kz)

“The Development of University Research in Kazakhstan during 1991-2013: A Bibliometric View”

Christopher WHITSEL (Nazarbayev University; christopher.whitsel@nu.edu.kz)

“Researching School Choice in Kazakhstan”

Nazarkhudo DASTAMBUEV (Open Society Institute, Tajikistan; nazarkhudo.dastambuev@osi.tajik.net), Gulchehra KABILOVA (Open Society Institute, Tajikistan; gulchehra@osi.tajik.net) and Sarfarozi NIYOZOV (University of Toronto, OISE; sarfarozi.niyozov@utoronto.ca)

“Developing Educational Research and Theory between Importing Global Practices and Developing Local Capacities”

HI-11 ♦ Cultures of Complaint in the Gorbachev Era

Location: Block 7, Room 7.246

Chair: Alissa KLOTS (Rutgers University; alissaklots@yandex.ru)

Discussant: Jochen HELLBECK (Rutgers University; hellbeck@history.rutgers.edu)

Corina APOSTOL (Rutgers University; corina.lucia.apostol@gmail.com)

“Oppositional Practices in Leningrad Art Communities”

Artemy Mikhail KALINOVSKY (University of Amsterdam; a.m.kalinovsky@uva.nl)

“Perestroika and the ‘Central Asian Model of Development’”

Courtney DOUCETTE (Rutgers University; cdoucette@history.rutgers.edu)

“Letter Writing as a Soviet Form of Political Activism”

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IR-06 ♦ Shifting Foreign Policies

Location: Block 6, Room 6.507

Chair: Marissa QUIE (University of Cambridge; mq10000@cam.ac.uk)

Discussant: Kamen VELICHKOV (Nazarbayev University; kamen.velichkov@eeas.europa.eu)

Lyailya Kayratkyzy NURGALIYEVA (Kyushu University; judiknice@gmail.com)

“Kazakhstan’s Soft Balancing Policy Vis-à-Vis Russia: From the Eurasian Union to the Cooperation with Turkey”

Li-Chen SIM (Zayed University; li-chen.sim@zu.ac.ae)

“Russia and the Nuclear Renaissance in the Arab World”

Lyubov SARTAKOVA (Independent Scholar; parasatastana@gmail.com)

“Counterinsurgency Strategies: Achilles Heel of Two Empires”

LI-03 ♦ Language Construction

Location: Block 6, Room 6.141

Panel is in English and Russian.

Chair: Shushan Andranikovna KHACHATRYAN (Yerevan State University; shush.khachatryan@gmail.com)

Discussant: Zeev LEVIN (The Hebrew University of Jerusalem; levinzv@gmail.com)

Giustina SELVELLI (University Ca’ Foscari of Venice; ametista84@yahoo.it)

“Alphabets and Propaganda: A Post-Socialist Legacy?”

Kaoru FURUYA (Embassy of Japan in the Republic of Kazakhstan; kaoru.furuya@mofa.go.jp)

“Language Policy and Alphabet Reform in Post-Soviet Kazakhstan”

Zeinekhan KUZEKOVA (Nazarbayev University; zkuzekova@nu.edu.kz)

“The Groupings of the Parts of Speech and the Creation of Kazakh Syntax Terminology by Baitursynov”

PO-09 ♦ Institutions of Justice in Comparative Perspective

Location: Block 6, Room 6.302

Chair: Yoshiko HERRERA (University of Wisconsin-Madison; yherrera@wisc.edu)

Discussant: Oleg KORNEEV (University of Sheffield; o.korneev@sheffield.ac.uk)

Emilbek DZHURAEV (American University of Central Asia; emil.joroev@gmail.com)

“Constitutional Instability and the Tenuous Promise of the New Constitutional Chamber in Kyrgyzstan”

Alexei TROCHEV (Nazarbayev University; atrochev@nu.edu.kz)

“How Post-Communist Judges Resist Interference”

Peter ROŽIČ (Santa Clara University; prozic@scu.edu)

“Introducing the Lustration Index: Measuring Post-Communist Transitional Justice”

Medet TIULEGENOV (American University of Central Asia, Bishkek; tiulegenov@gmail.com)

“Vertical Diffusion of Human Rights Norms: Contentious Framing at the International and National Levels in Transition Countries in Central Asia”

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SO-05 ♦ Kazakh Resettlement

Location: Block 6, Room 6.105

Chair: Cynthia WERNER (Texas A&M University; werner@tamu.edu)

Discussant: Aigul ZABIROVA (L. N. Gumilyov Eurasian National University;
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Michael Floyd HANCOCK-PARMER (Indiana University, Bloomington; miflhanc@indiana.edu)
**“The Bare Footed Flight of the Kazakhs: From Historical Sources to Collective
Memory and Identity”**

Giulia PANICCIARI (University of Turin (Italy)/INALCO Paris (France);
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**“The Soviet Citizen of Alma-Ata: Public and Private Spaces, Urbanization, and
Everyday Life in an Asian Soviet Capital (1950-1980)”**

Saniya Zhakenovna EDELBAY (Al-Farabi Kazakh National University; edelsann@gmail.com) and
Aliya YEDILBAYEVA (Independent Scholar; aliya.yedilbay@gmail.com)

“Aspects of Socio-cultural Integration of the Kazakh Repatriates”

SESSION 8 ♦ Saturday, May 24 ♦ 11:00-12:45

AN-14 ♦ Situating the Material of Politics

Location: Block 7, Room 7.105

Chair: Georgy MAMEDOV (School of Theory and Activism - Bishkek (STAB/IITAB);
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Discussant: Asel MURZAKULOVA (Bishkek Humanities University; aselmurza@gmail.com)

Nelly BEKUS (University of Exeter; n.bekus@exeter.ac.uk)

**“Constructing Memories of Political Repression in Two Post-Soviet Capital Cities: A
Comparative Case Study of Memorials to Stalinist Crimes in Minsk and Astana”**

Marisa Karyl FRANZ (University of Toronto; marisakaryl@gmail.com)

“Bamiyan in Heritage Discourse and Curated Space”

Katarzyna JAROSZ (International University of Logistics and Transport in Wroclaw;
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“Archaeology and Politics in Romania in Ceausescu Times”

***ED-05 ♦ National Policies, Individual Implications: Teaching and
Testing in Kyrgyzstan and Kazakhstan***

Location: Block 7, Room 7.210

Chair: Themistoklis GOGAS (Nazarbayev University; themistoklis.gogas@nu.edu.kz)

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

Chynarkul Sheisheevna RYSKULOVA (American University of Central Asia, Bishkek;
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**“Effects of BA-MA and Credit Hour Bologna Reforms in Kyrgyzstan on University
Professors”**

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Martha MERRILL (Kent State University; mmerril@kent.edu)

**“Implementing Isomorphism for International Actors but Ignoring the Educators:
Bologna Process Reforms in Kyrgyzstan”**

Zhazira TURLANBEKOVA (Nazarbayev University; zhazira0219@gmail.com)

**“Applicants’/Students’ Perception of Kazakhstani Universities Admission Tests and
Exams”**

HI-12 ♦ Workings of the Soviet System

Location: Block 7, Room 7.246

Chair: Victoria THORSTENSSON (Yale University; vikathoria@gmail.com)

Discussant: Jeremy SMITH (University of Eastern Finland; jeremy.smith@uef.fi)

Maxim Yurevich KIM (Tomsk State University; max198210@yandex.ru)

**“The Attitude of Authorities to Special Settlers: The Karaganda Coal Basin in the
1930s”**

Aaron RETISH (Wayne State University; aretish@wayne.edu)

**“Daily Grievances and Stalinist Justice: Local Courts in the Lower Volga Countryside
in the 1930s”**

Timothy Kevin BLAUVELT (Ilia State University / American Councils;
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“The Georgian NKVD during the Great Terror”

Samantha LOMB (University of Pittsburgh / Viatka State University; samlomb@hotmail.com)

“Personal and Political: A Microhistory of the ‘Red Column’ Collective Farm, 1935-36”

***IR-07 ♦ Foreign Policy Orientations in Contemporary Central
Eurasia***

Location: Block 6, Room 6.507

Chair: Seyit Ali AVCU (Kyrgyzstan-Turkey Manas University; avcuseyit@hotmail.com)

Discussant: Taissiya Viktorovna MARMONTOVA (L. N. Gumilyov Eurasian National University;
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Zhanar MEDEUBAYEVA (L. N. Gumilyov Eurasian National University; balapan1967@mail.ru) and
Elmira ADIL (L. N. Gumilyov Eurasian National University; adelya13@hotmail.com)

**“The Role and Prospects of Shanghai Cooperation Organization in Ensuring the
Security in Eurasia”**

Ardak YESDAULETOVA (L. N. Gumilyov Eurasian National University; ardak2007@hotmail.com)
and Aitmukhanbet YESDAULETOV (L. N. Gumilyov Eurasian National University;
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“Changing US Policy towards Central Asia in the 21st Century”

Plamen Dimitrov PETROV (Sofia University, Bulgaria / L. N. Gumilyov Eurasian National
University; plamen127@mail.bg)

**“Oil and Politics in Central Eurasia: The Role of the Energy Factor for the Geopolitical
Orientations of Kazakhstan and Azerbaijan”**

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LI-04 ♦ Language in Historical Contexts

Location: Block 6, Room 6.141

Chair: Robert DOEBLER (Nazarbayev University; robert.doebler@nu.edu.kz)

Discussant: Giustina SELVELLI (University Ca' Foscari of Venice; ametista84@yahoo.it)

Zsuzsanna ZSIDAI (Hungarian Academy of Sciences; zsuzsannazsidai@gmail.com)

“Turks in the Arabic Sources: Remarks on the Interpretation of an Ethnonym”

Dávid GYÓRFI (Independent Scholar; gyorfid@gmail.com)

“Khwarezmian: Mapping the Kipchak Component of Pre-Chagatai Central Asian Turkic”

Shushan Andranikovna KHACHATRYAN (Yerevan State University; shush.khachatryan@gmail.com)

“The Phenomenon of the Armeno-Kipchak Language”

Thomas WIER (Free University of Tbilisi; trwier@gmail.com)

“Suppletion in the Languages of the Caucasus”

PO-10 ♦ Governors of Migration in Eurasia: Global and Local in a Complex Policy Field

Location: Block 6, Room 6.302

Chair: Yelena SADOVSKAYA (Independent Scholar; esa2004@mail.ru)

Discussant: Kayratbek DZHAMANGULOV (Institute of Public Policy-Nur Otan; k.dzhamangulov@ipp.kz)

Oleg KORNEEV (University of Sheffield; o.korneev@sheffield.ac.uk)

“International Organizations and Migration Governance in Central Asia”

Caress SCHENK (Nazarbayev University; caressschenk@gmail.com)

“The Politics of Immigration Control in Russia”

Joni Petri VIRKKUNEN (VERA Centre for Russian and Border Studies; joni.virkkunen@uef.fi)

“Mahallas and Local Community Structures as Governors of Migration in Central Asia”

PO-11 ♦ The Political Economy of Energy

Location: Block 6, Room 6.402

Chair: Halil Kürşad ASLAN (Eskisehir Osmangazi University; kursadaslan@gmail.com)

Discussant: Robert DENNIS (Nazarbayev University; robert.dennis@nu.edu.kz)

Daniel BURGHART (National Intelligence University; dlburgh@gmail.com)

“A Shadow on the Steppe?: The Changing Nature of Eurasian Energy”

Farkhod AMINJONOV (Balsillie School of International Affairs, Waterloo, Canada; a_farkhod@yahoo.com)

“Security of the Central Asian Energy System through Energy Governance Mechanisms”

Serik ORAZGALIYEV (University of Cambridge; so333@cam.ac.uk)

“Petroleum Resource Management in Kazakhstan: Co-Evolution of Governance, Institutions and Partnership”

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SESSION 9 ♦ Saturday, May 24 ♦ 14:15-16:00

SO-06 ♦ Current Socio-Economic Challenges in Post-Communist Countries

Location: Block 6, Room 6.105

Chair: Christian HAERPFER (University of Aberdeen; c.w.haerper@abdn.ac.uk)

Discussant: Anna ALMAKAEVA (Higher School of Economics, Moscow; aalmakaeva@hse.ru)

Eduard PONARIN (Higher School of Economics, St. Petersburg; eponarin@hse.ru)

“Age Differences in Islamic Societies in Post-Communist Countries”

Vladimir PEREBOEV (Eurasian Bank of Development; pereboev_vs@eabr.org)

“EDB Integration Barometer: Social Perception of the Eurasian Integration in 2012-2013”

Nazik BEISHENALY (Institute of Development Initiatives and Research;

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“Labor Migration and Human Capital of Kyrgyzstan: Impact of the Customs Union”

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“Growing Labor Migration and Pension Mobility Problems in CIS Countries”

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AN-15 ♦ Cross-Border Regimes: Demarcated Spaces in the Formation of Social and Political Possibilities - II

Location: Block 7, Room 7.105

Chair: Hege TOJE (University of Bergen; hege.toje@sosantr.uib.no)

Discussant: Cynthia WERNER (Texas A&M University; werner@tamu.edu)

Tone BRINGA (University of Bergen, Norway; tone.bringa@sosantr.uib.no)

“Imagined Geographies, Contested Belongings and the Making of New Borderlands”

Guzel SABIROVA (Higher School of Economics, St. Petersburg; guzelsabir@gmail.com)

“Karakol: Marginal City at the Border”

Giorgi CHEISHVILI (Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University; gicheishvili@gmail.com)

“Longing for Batumi: Place Memory and Cross-Border Movements in the Georgian-Turkish Borderland”

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

“Be Careful What You Wish For: Ajarans, Turks and the Ambivalent Border Opening between Georgia and Turkey”

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AN-16 ♦ Local Heritage for National Display: Post-Soviet Transformations

Location: Block 7, Room 7.507

Panel is in English and Russian.

Chair: Emil NASRITDINOV (American University of Central Asia, Bishkek; emilzn@gmail.com)

Discussant: Olga BREDNIKOVA (Peter the Centre for Independent Social Research; bred8@yandex.ru)

Ekaterina MELNIKOVA (Peter the Great Museum of Anthropology and Ethnography, RAS [Музей Антропологии и Этнографии им. Петра Великого РАН]; melek@eu.spb.ru)

“Between Local and National: Russian Local Museums from Late Socialism to Postsocialism”

Olga DAVYDOVA-MINGUET (Karelian Institute, University of Eastern Finland; olga.davydova@uef.fi)

“Discussions about Finnishness in the Karelian Republic: Shifts from a National to a Transnational Perspective”

Zhanna (Jeanne) KORMINA (Higher School of Economics, St. Petersburg; kormina@eu.spb.ru)

“Forgive me, Your Majesty!”: Ethics and Aesthetics of Cultural Heritage in a Post-Soviet City”

ED-06 ♦ Education Reforms in Post-Soviet States: Legacies, Trends, and Outcomes

Location: Block 7, Room 7.210

Chair: Alan DEYOUNG (Aga Khan University; alan.deyoung@aku.edu)

Discussant: John WITTE (University of Wisconsin-Madison; witte@lafollette.wisc.edu)

Elena MALTSEVA (Nazarbayev University; yelena.maltseva@nu.edu.kz) and Gulnar ISKAKOVA (Semey State Pedagogical Institute; gulisk@mail.ru)

“Reforming the Monolith: Kazakhstani Higher Education Reform in Comparative Perspective, 1992-2011”

Irina Borisovna GOPTAREVA (Orenburg State University; goptira@gmail.com)

“Academic Freedom of Modernity: Issues of University Self-Government”

Sulushash KERIMKULOVA (Nazarbayev University; skerimkulova@nu.edu.kz)

“International Accreditation in Kazakhstani Higher Education”

HI-13 ♦ Central Asia and Global Economic History: A Possible Dialogue

Location: Block 7, Room 7.246

Chair: Erika MONAHAN (University of New Mexico; emonahan@unm.edu)

Discussant: Scott LEVI (Ohio State University; levi.18@osu.edu)

Akmal BAZARBAEV (Central State Archive of the Republic of Uzbekistan; akmal.bazarbaev@gmail.com)

“Rural Land in Jizzakh: Prices and Property Rights under Tsarist Rule”

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Alisher KHALIYAROV (Independent Scholar; alishercom@yahoo.com)

“Money Waqf Utilization in Khivan Khanate in the 19th Century”

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

“Central Asian Living Standards before and after the Revolution”

IR-08 ♦ Central and South Asia in the Context of Regional Cooperation in Eurasia

Location: Block 6, Room 6.507

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“The Territorial Factor in Central Asian Countries: History and Current Times”

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“India-Central Asia Policy: Problems and Prospects for Cooperation”

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“Central Asia-South Asia Cooperation in the Context of Prevention Security Challenges in Eurasia”

LI-05 ♦ Cultural Translation and Authenticity

Location: Block 6, Room 6.141

Chair: Miglena DIKOVA-MILANOVA (Independent Scholar; miglenascheers@yahoo.com)

Discussant: Gabriel MCGUIRE (Nazarbayev University; gmcguire@nu.edu.kz)

Dilfuza ROZIYEVA (Kazakh Abylai khan University of International Relations and World Languages; rsdilfuza@mail.ru) and Anna OLDFIELD (Coastal Carolina University; oldfield73@gmail.com)

“Building the Hearth: The Multiple Identities of the Uyghur Poet Ilya Bakhtiya”

Brian James BAER (Kent State University; bbaer@kent.edu)

“A Translation without an Original: Salavat Iulaev and the Making of Modern Bashkir Identity”

Yelena MOISSEYEVA (Sh. Ualikhanov Kokshetau State University; lenamoisseyeva@yahoo.com)

“Translating Realia: Rendering Cultural Information in Sh. Ualikhanov’s Works”

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PO-12 ♦ New Political Economies

Location: Block 6, Room 6.302

Chair: David KEMME (University of Memphis; dmkemme@memphis.edu)

Discussant: Yoshiko HERRERA (University of Wisconsin-Madison; yherrera@wisc.edu)

Gulnara Rakhimovna DADABAYEVA (KIMEP University; gdadabaeva@mail.ru)

“The Central Asian Region: Post-Crisis Strategy Construction”

Halil Kürşad ASLAN (Eskisehir Osmangazi University; kursadaslan@gmail.com)

“Evaluation of Uzbekistan’s Political Economy after the Soviet Union”

Pál TAMÁS (Hungarian Academy of Sciences; tamas@socio.mta.hu)

“Dependent Capitalism and Deindustrialization in the ‘New Eastern Europe’”

SO-07 ♦ Formal and Informal Processes

Location: Block 6, Room 6.105

Panel is in English and Russian.

Chair: Anna ALMAKAEVA (Higher School of Economics, Moscow; aalmakaeva@hse.ru)

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

Gregory DUNN (National University of Singapore; gregoryd@nus.edu.sg)

“Two Shades of Grey: Institutional Entrepreneurship in Elite Networks in Kyrgyzstan”

Tatiana KARABCHUK (Higher School of Economics, Moscow; tkarabchuk@hse.ru)

“Informal Payment vs. Wages in Police Institutions: A Comparative Study of Russia, Kazakhstan, Bulgaria and Latvia”

Dilaram Maniglievna INOYATOVA (National University of Uzbekistan; indima59@mail.ru)

“Mahalla: The Foundation of Civil Society in Uzbekistan”

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***ED-07 ♦ Round-Table: Nazarbayev University in the
Development of Kazakhstan***

Location: Block 5, Room 5.103

Chair: Steven ROPER (Dean, School of Humanities and Social Sciences, Nazarbayev University)

Shigeo KATSU (President, Nazarbayev University)

Yerbol ORYNBAYEV (Assistant to the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan; TBC)

Aslan SARYNZHIPOV (Minister of Education of the Republic of Kazakhstan)

Dennis DE TRAY (Advisor to the President, Nazarbayev University)

John WITTE (Professor of Political Science, University of Wisconsin-Madison)

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AN-17 ♦ Gender Construction

Location: Block 7, Room 7.105

Chair: Meghanne BARKER (University of Michigan, Ann Arbor; mmbarker@umich.edu)

Discussant: Marianne Ruth KAMP (University of Wyoming; mkamp@uwyo.edu)

Justin OSTROWSKI (University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign; jbstrowski@aol.com)

“Albanian Sworn Virgins: Gender, Sexuality and an Analysis of Universalization”

Karolina KLUCZEWSKA (Independent Scholar; karolina.kluczevska@ymail.com)

“LGBT Persons and Social Construction of Sexuality in Tajikistan”

Gulnara IBRAEVA (Independent Scholar; ibraeva@gmail.com), Anara MOLDOSHEVA (Independent Scholar; anaramoldosheva@gmail.com) and Mehrigiul ABLEZOVA (American University of Central Asia; mehrigiul@gmail.com)

“Critical Discourse Analysis of a Media Case of Violence against Female Labor Migrants from Kyrgyzstan”

HI-14 ♦ Minorities and Migrations

Location: Block 7, Room 7.246

Chair: Akram KHABIBULLAEV (Indiana University, Bloomington; akkhabib@indiana.edu)

Discussant: Natsuko OKA (Institute of Developing Economies, Japan External Trade Organization; na2koka@gmail.com)

Zeev LEVIN (The Hebrew University of Jerusalem; levinzv@gmail.com)

“Collectivization in Uzbekistan and the National Minorities Question: The Case of Bukharan Jews”

Veselin Zahariev POPOV (Institute for Ethnology and Folklore Studies with Ethnographic Museum at Bulgarian Academy of Sciences; studiromani@yahoo.com) and Elena MARUSHIAKOVA-POPOVA (Institute for Ethnology and Folklore Studies with Ethnographic Museum at Bulgarian Academy of Sciences; studiromani@geobiz.net)

“Central Asian ‘Gypsies’: Communities, Migrations and Identities”

Markus KAISER (University of Trier / Eurasian National University; kaiser.mrks@gmail.com)

“Migration in Eurasia”

LI-06 ♦ Kazakh Literature in Historical Context

Location: Block 6, Room 6.141

Panel is in English and Russian.

Chair: Alima BISSENOVA (Nazarbayev University; abissenova@nu.edu.kz)

Discussant: Gabriel MCGUIRE (Nazarbayev University; gmcguire@nu.edu.kz)

Zhanar ABDIGAPBAROVA (Nazarbayev University; zhabdigapar@nu.edu.kz)

“Shadi Zhangyuly and the Islamic Reform Movement in Kazakh Literature”

Ainagul ISMAGULOVA (Sh. Ualikhanov Kokshetau State University; ismainagul@rambler.ru)

“The Literary Language of Zein Shashkin’s Novels”

Gultas KURMANBAY (Nazarbayev University; gkurmanbay@nu.edu.kz) and Meiramgul KUSSAINOVA (Nazarbayev University; mkussainova@nu.edu.kz)

“Historical Facts and Characters in the Works of Maghzhan Zhumabayev”

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PO-13 ♦ State-building: Consolidating and Devolving Power

Location: Block 6, Room 6.302

Chair: Daniel BURGHART (National Intelligence University; dlburgh@gmail.com)

Discussant: Caress SCHENK (Nazarbayev University; caressschenk@gmail.com)

Jeremy SMITH (University of Eastern Finland; jeremy.smith@uef.fi)

“The Transformation of Soviet Republic Borders to International Borders”

Ayşe Çolpan KAVUNCU (Inonu University; akavuncu@gmail.com)

“Decentralization Policy during the Nation-State Building Process: Turkmen Heritage and Local Government in Turkmenistan”

Dave SIEGEL (City University of New York, Graduate Center; dsiegel@gc.cuny.edu)

“State Formation in Post-Soviet Central Asia: A Comparative Analysis of Territorial Governance in Kazakhstan and Kyrgyzstan”



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