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Dear Colleagues and Guests,

Welcome to the Fifth Regional Conference of the Central Eurasian Studies Society, and welcome to Kazan Federal University!

This year's program is an especially rich one, with fifty panels and a number of special highlights. Professor Michael Kemper of University of Amsterdam joins us this year to deliver the keynote speech on "Islam and the Orthodox Church in Russia: Competing Twins?" We also welcome Professor Taufik Ibrahim of Institute of the Oriental Studies, Russian Academy of Sciences, who will deliver a second keynote speech on "Quranic Principles of Inter-faith Harmony."

As is always the case, this year's conference is the product of a substantial amount of sustained work by many people and the support of a number of organizations. Our program would not have been possible without the support provided by the following units of Kazan Federal University: The Institute for International Relations, History and Oriental Studies, the Resource Center for the Development of Islamic Education and Islamic Studies, the "Islamica" Center of Excellence, and the Department of Oriental and Islamic Studies.

The Conference Committee would like to underline the contributions of a few individuals in particular who helped to make this event happen. In addition to all of the CESS members who have volunteered their time and effort, special thanks go to Ilshat Gafurov, Rector of Kazan Federal University, Linar Latypov, Vice-Rector of KFU, and Ramil Khayrutdinov, Director of the Institute for International Studies, History and Oriental Studies for their support in organizing the conference.

It is particularly fitting that the first CESS conference to be held in Russia is hosted by one of the most venerable and also dynamic institutions of higher learning in the Central Eurasian region. We hope that you will enjoy your time in historic Kazan and will come away enriched by a lively exchange of ideas and energized by the stimulating company of new and long-time colleagues.

Sincerely,

John Schoeberlein, CESS President, Professor of Anthropology, Nazarbayev University

Leila Almazova, CESS Board Member, Associate Professor, Kazan Federal University

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12:15-13:30 - Keynote Speech: "Islam and the Orthodox Church in Russia: Competing Twins?" by Professor Michael Kemper of the University of Amsterdam	
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16:00 - Departure for excursion to Sviyazhsk	

Sunday, June 5

09.00-20:00 - Excursion to the ancient city of Bolgar	
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Speakers, Organizers and Cultural Program

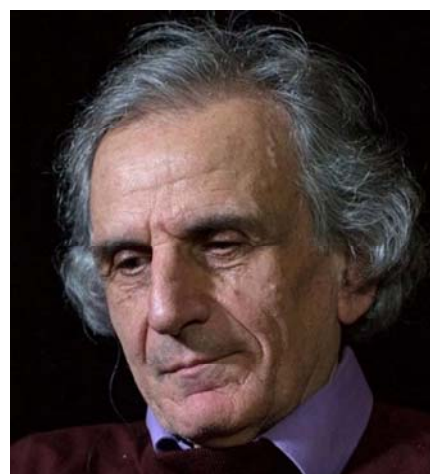
Michael Kemper

Michael Kemper is Professor of Eastern European Studies at the University of Amsterdam. Educated as a scholar of Islamic and Arabic Studies, Kemper published books on the Tatar Islamic literature in the Volga-Urals, with a focus on Islamic law, theology and Sufism, and on the legal and Sufi roots of Imam Shamil's jihad movement in the North Caucasus. In cooperation with colleagues from Leiden and St. Petersburg, and funded by the Dutch Scientific Organization, he now investigates how Islamic authorities in Russia use and change the Russian language, and how the emergent "Islamic Russian" sociolect interacts with Arabic and Tatar, and with Church Slavonic.



Taufik Ibrahim

Taufik Ibrahim is Russian philosopher and specialist in Islamic studies. His doctoral dissertation was devoted to the philosophy of Kalam, the rationalistic tradition of Islamic theology, demonstrating Kalam's pantheistic characteristics, and stressing its antifideism and rationalism. Professor Ibrahim also is the author of a multivolume biography of the Prophet Muhammad, "Sira". Studying the Prophet's biography and the Quran led him to a new understanding of crucial ideas that are often neglected in the study of Islam, such as tolerance, peace, and prosperity. This thesis is published in a book entitled "Quranic Humanism."



Ramil Khayrutdinov

Ramil Khayrutdinov is a Director of the Institute for International Relations, History and Oriental Studies, Kazan Federal University, as well as the Director of the Resource Center for the Development of Islamic Education and Islamic Studies. He is an author of multiple publications of the problems of Tatar ethnic history, preservation of Cultural heritage, the history of Tatar enterprise and religious leadership. Among his publications we should mention "The Republic of Tatarstan: Historical and Cultural Monuments of the Tatars" (1995), "Mosques of the Republic of Tatarstan" (2000), "Historical Mosques of the Kazan" (2005) and many others.



Leila Almazova

Leila Almazova is an Associate Professor of the Department of Oriental and Islamic Studies, Kazan Federal University, Vice-Director of the Resource Center for the Development of Islamic Education and Islamic Studies. The sphere of her scholarly interests concentrated on the evolution of Tatar Muslim theology during the period of 20-21 centuries. She is an author of such books as "Human Dilemma in the Legacy of Tatar Theologians (end of the 19th and early 20th centuries)" (2003), translation of the treatise "Falsafa Islamiya" by Zyaaddin Kamali (1873-1942) from Old Tatar into Russian (2010), "Religious Education in Tatarstan: the History, Current State and Innovative Processes" (2012).



John Schoeberlein

Professor Schoeberlein is President of CESS and played a central role in organizing the conference. Before taking a position at Nazarbayev University to help build Eurasian studies in the new institution, he taught for nearly twenty years at Harvard University, and served as Director of the Program on Central Asia and the Caucasus. His research focuses on identity, religion, secularism and related topics. His current research projects focus on Georgia and Kazakhstan.



Morgan Liu

Professor Liu is Chair of the CESS Conference Committee and a Member of the CESS Board. He is a cultural anthropologist studying Muslims in former Communist countries, the impact of oil extraction on Central Asian societies, urban space, and Islamic ideas of social justice. His broadest interests concern how Central Asians make sense of and act on structural inequalities and abuses of power. This includes using an ethnographic lens on the developing connections between Central Asia, Turkey, and China.



Exhibition of Tatar Shamail

In the Exhibition of Tatar Shamail within Qol Sharif Mosque, one may view a variety of forms of this Tatar Calligraphic art form, from old traditional Shamails on the glass and printed Shamails from the beginning of the 20th century to contemporary pieces that were entered in the competition "The Shamail of My Family." The latter competition is prepared for June 2016, organized by Muslim Spiritual Board of the Republic of Tatarstan, under the direction of Rustam Batrov. In the Museum of Islamic Culture, you can see the old Shamails made in the technique of folk art. The secular trend in the Tatar painting on glass is exhibited in the exhibit hall of the Kazan branch of the Hermitage (in the Kazan Kremlin). Rustam Shamsutov, PhD, Art Director of the Gallery of the Tatar Shamail will hold a special lecture for the participants of the conference.



Ensemble: Tatar Musical Jewelry

The Tatar Musical Jewelry ensemble will present the audience with a concert program of different pieces from the traditions of Tatar music—from old folk songs and melodies to contemporary compositions. Damir Gabdrahmanov will perform a special section where he will play on multiple Tatar folk instruments—whistles, quray (end-blown flute), garmon (button accordion), accordion, and others. There also will be pieces written by famous Tatar composers, including Salikh Saydachev, Rustem Yakhin, and Shamil Sharifullin. The performance is organized by the “Tamasha” Musical Production Center under the direction of Guzel Abul khanova.



The Ancient City of Bolgar



The Island City of Sviyazhsk



Thematic Listing of Panels

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History

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Language and Linguistics

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Program of Panels

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Plenary ☑ Thursday, June 2 ☑ 12:15-13:30

Concert Hall in the UNIKS Complex, Academician Nuzhin St. 2

Keynote Speech: **“Islam and the Orthodox Church in Russia: Competing Twins?”**
by Professor **Michael Kemper** of the University of Amsterdam

Session 1 ☑ Thursday, June 2 ☑ 14:00-15:45

RE-01 ♦ **The Muslim Media in Northern Eurasia: Language, Nationalism, and Public Religion**

Institute, Room 201

Chair: John **Schoeberlein** (Nazarbayev University)

Discussant: Michael **Kemper** (University of Amsterdam)

Aziz **Burkhanov** (Nazarbayev University)

“Islam in the Contemporary Mass Media Discourse of Kazakhstan”

Alfrid **Bustanov** (European University, Saint Petersburg)

“The Journal ‘Islam’ (1924-1928) and the Limits of Public Religion in Early Soviet Russia”

Nurlan **Kabdykhak** (Nazarbayev University)

“Din maselesi (Question of Religion) in the Kazakh-language Media in the Early 20th Century”

SO-01 ♦ **Eurasian Labor Migration: Mobility and Attachment**

Institute, Room 203

Chair: Rustem **Davletgildeev** (Kazan Federal University)

Discussant: Oleg **Korneev** (Tomsk State University)

Caress **Schenk** (Nazarbayev University)

“Labor Movement in the Eurasian Union”

Aleksey **Starostin** (Ural State Mining University, Ekaterinburg)

“Religious Practices of Muslim Migrants from Central Asia in the Urals and in Siberia at the Beginning of the 21st Century”

Endzhe **Akhmadullina** (Kazan Federal University)

“Distinctive Features of Adaptation Process of Migrants from Central Asia in Tatarstan”

Irina B. **Kuznetsova** (University of Birmingham) and John **Round** (University of Birmingham)

“Hostility towards Migrants from Central Asia in Russia: Discourse, Politics and Everyday Lives”

IR-01 ♦ **Multilateral Dynamics in Central Eurasia**

Institute, Room 215

Chair: Ambrish **Dhaka** (Jawaharlal Nehru University)

Discussant: Michael **Barry** (Mount St. Mary's University)

Elaheh **Koolaee** (University of Teheran)

“Influential Regional Factors on Iranian-Georgian Relations”

William **Beacom** (American University of Central Asia)

“Explaining the Normative Shift in Central Asian States: The Twin Macrosecuritizations of the Global War on Terror and the Shanghai Cooperation Organization”

Maya **Nyagolova** (Sofia University; UNDP)

“The UN Approach to Central Asia: Regional Cooperation for Human Development and Human Security”

Kamen **Velichkov** (Sofia University)

“Constructivist Interpretations of Kazakhstan’s Foreign Policy Initiatives”

PO-01 ♦ Understanding and Avoiding Conflict

Institute, Room 209

Chair: Funda **Güven (Derin)** (University of Wisconsin-Madison)

Discussant: **TBD**

Carter **Johnson** (Higher School of Economics, Moscow)

“When Does Partition End Ethnic Civil War? Demography and Deterrence in the Georgia-Abkhazia Conflict (1992-2008)”

Marissa **Quie** (University of Cambridge)

“Undermining Dichotomies: Women and the Peace Process in Afghanistan”

Valeria **Chelaru** (Babes-Bolyai University of Cluj-Napoca)

“Reassessing Frozen Conflicts in the Post-Soviet Space or Mediating between the Parties”

HI-01 ♦ Legitimizing the State

Institute, Room 206

Chair: Mateusz **Laszczkowski** (University of Warsaw / Halle-Zurich Centre for Anthropological Studies on Central Asia)

Discussant: Alima **Bissenova** (Nazarbayev University)

Vsevolod **Kritskiy** (Graduate Institute of Geneva)

“Decision-making during the National Delimitation of Central Asia in the 1920s”

Slavomir **Horák** (Charles University in Prague)

“Sport as a Tool of Propaganda in Authoritarian Regimes: The Case of Turkmenistan’s Aziada-2017”

Douglas Joseph **MacKay** (Columbia University)

“Varieties of Imperial Legitimacy: The Case of Russia”

ED-01 ♦ Higher Education and Its Evolving Institutions

Institute, Room 212

Chair: Marat **Gibatdinov** (Marjani Institute for History)

Discussant: Galym **Zhussipbek** (Suleyman Demirel University)

Martha **Merrill** (Kent State University)

“A Tale of Two Trajectories: International Accreditation in Kyrgyzstan and Kazakhstan”

Nazarkhudo **Dastambuev** (Open Society Institute Tajikistan)

“Reforming Access to Higher Education in Tajikistan: The Development and Role of the New National Testing Centre”

Thomas **Bussen** (American University of Central Asia)

“From Karl Marx to Groucho Marx: The Fall of the Soviet Union, the Rise of University Corruption, and the Imperative to Learn from Others”

Stuart **Chen** (State University of New York at Buffalo / EKSTU)

“Contrasting American and Kazakhstani University Environments, Expectations, and Experiences”

Session 2 ☑ Thursday, June 2 ☑ 16:15-18:00

RE-02 ♦ Islam in the Volga-Ural Region: Islamic Universality, State Intervention, and Local Responses to Modernity

[Panel in Russian and English languages]

Institute, Room 201

Chair: Leila **Almazova** (Kazan Federal University)

Discussant: Azat **Akhunov** (Kazan Federal University)

Alfina **Sibgatullina** (Institute of Oriental Studies, Russian Academy of Sciences)

“On Sanitation Issues during Hajj (Based on Tartar Pilgrims’ Accounts of the Early 20th Century)”

Norihiro **Naganawa** (Hokkaido University)

“A Conservative Adaptation to Modernity? ‘Abd Allāh al-Ma’ādhi Goes to Hajj in 1910”

Jesko **Schmoller** (Perm State University)

“The Mountains of Barda: Creation of Tatar Space in the Muslim South of Perm Region”

AN-01 ♦ Changing Social Dynamics in Rural Central Asia

Institute, Room 203

Chair: Guzel **Guzelbaeva** (Kazan Federal University)

Discussant: Jeanne **Féaux de la Croix** (University of Tuebingen)

Tommaso **Trevisani** (University of Tübingen)

“Growing cotton in Kazakhstan and Uzbekistan: Farm-level Perspectives on Continuity and Change in the Agrarian Structure”

Nurzat **Sultanaliyeva** (University of Tübingen)

“Living at the Lake: Dynamics of Change and Adaptation to Fluid Environments”

Aibek **Samakov** (University of Tübingen)

“Evolution of Commons Institutions in the Syr Darya Delta”

SO-02 ♦ Eurasian Youth, Culture, Language, and Activism

Institute, Room 215

Chair: Hamed **Kazemzadeh** (University of Warsaw)

Discussant: Samantha **Lomb** (Vyatka State University)

Mizuki **Nakamura** (University of Tsukuba)

“A Study of the Language Situation of Tatars in Uzbekistan: The Change of Attitudes toward Uzbek Language”

Feruza **Shermatova** (International Ataturk-Alatoo University)

“Construction of Youth Language in Kyrgyzstan”

Svetlana **Dzardanova** (OSCE Academy in Bishkek) and Janyl **Bokontaeva** (GIZ GmgH Program Professional Education in Central Asia)

“Social Activism in Central Asia: A Comparative Study of Activists-State Relations in Kyrgyzstan and Uzbekistan”

PO-02 ♦ Policy and the Diverse Population

Institute, Room 209

Chair: Olivier **Ferrando** (French Institute for Central Asian Studies [IFEAC])

Discussant: Douglas Joseph **MacKay** (Columbia University)

Lana **Ravandi-Fadai** (Institute of Oriental Studies, Russian Academy of Sciences)

“The Challenge of Ethnic and Religious Heterogeneity to the Unity of the Iranian State”

Hafiz **Boboyorov** (Academy of Sciences of Tajikistan)

“Local and Transnational Securityscapes of the Tajik Labor Migrants in Russia”

Amier **Saidula** (Institute of Ismaili Studies)

“State Law and the Peaceful Ismaili Tajiks of Xinjiang, China”

HI-02 ♦ Constructing the History of Central Eurasia

Institute, Room 206

Chair: Robert **Shangaraev** (Russian Islamic University)

Discussant: Vladimir **Boyko** (Altai State Pedagogical University/Altai State University)

Marta **Jaworska** (University of Warsaw)

“Indigenous or Foreign? Historians in Search for the Roots of the Zemskii Sobor”

Uli **Schamiloglu** (University of Wisconsin-Madison)

“An Outline of a Population History of the Middle Volga Region”

Dmitry **Vasilyev** (Moscow Institute of Commerce and Law)

“Russia and Central Asia in the 19th Century: Administrative Modeling of Space”

Larisa **Usmanova** (Marjani Institute for History) and Marat **Gibatdinov** (Marjani Institute for History)

“Presentation of the Academic Project ‘Japan and Turk-Tatar World’ (Institute of History, Tatarstan Academy of Sciences)”

ED-02 ♦ Raising the Next Generation

Institute, Room 212

Chair: Anastasiya **Fakhrutdinova** (Kazan Federal University)

Discussant: Martha **Merrill** (Kent State University)

Atsushi **Saito** (Waseda University, Graduate School of Human Sciences), Sayuri **Kobayashi** (Waseda University, School of Human Sciences), Zhanna **Karchiganova** (Waseda University, Graduate School of Social Sciences) and Atsushi **Ogihara** (Waseda University, Faculty of Oriental Studies)

“Attitudes toward Childrearing of Young Kazakhs: A Comparative Discussion”

Zhanar **Nagayeva** (Suleyman Demirel University) and Galym **Zhussipbek** (Suleyman Demirel University)

“Children’s Rights and Development of Pluralism and Core Liberal Values in Post-Soviet Societies”

Session 3 ☑ Friday, June 3 ☑ 9:00-10:45

AN-02 ♦ Labor Migration's Effects on Sending Communities

Institute, Room 201

Chair: Endzhe **Akhmadullina** (Kazan Federal University)

Discussant: Caress **Schenk** (Nazarbayev University)

Malika **Tukmadiyeva** (George Washington University) and Natalia **Zakharchenko** (George Washington University)

“Betrayers or Saviors? Perceptions of High- and Low-Skilled Migrants in Kazakhstan and Kyrgyzstan”

Oleg **Korneev** (Tomsk State University) and Karolina **Kluczevska** (University of St Andrews)

“Policies and Practices of (Non)involvement: Tajikistan and Its Labour Emigrants”

Jeanne **Féaux de la Croix** (University of Tübingen)

“World Cafés with Migrants and Film-making with Teenagers’: On the Possibilities of Collaborative Research in Central Asia”

RE-03 ♦ Exploring Muslim Religious Authority in Russia and Kazakhstan

Institute, Room 203

Chair: John **Schoeberlein** (Nazarbayev University)

Discussant: Alfrid **Bustanov** (European University, St. Petersburg)

Lili **Di Puppo** (Higher School of Economics, Moscow)

“What is ‘Traditional Islam’?: Defining the Borders of Islam in Russia”

Alima **Bissenova** (Nazarbayev University)

“Establishing Hanafi Orthodoxy in Kazakhstan: Between the “Good” and “Bad” Islam”

Roza **Nurullina** (Center for Islamic Studies, Academy of Sciences of the Republic of Tatarstan)

“Religious Authority in Islam: The Case of Tatarstan”

SO-03 ♦ Feminine Voice and Empowerment

Institute, Room 215

Chair: Rezeda **Safiullina-Al Ansi** (Kazan Federal University)

Discussant: Elena **Maltseva** (University of Windsor)

Funda **Güven (Derin)** (University of Wisconsin-Madison)

“Ahmed Agaoglu and the Emancipation of Muslim Women”

Galym **Zhussipbek** (Suleyman Demirel University) and Zhanar **Nagayeva** (Suleyman Demirel University)

“Analysis of the Factors Impeding Empowerment of Women in Post-Soviet Muslim Societies”

Chelsea **Cervantes De Blois** (University of Minnesota, Twin-Cities)

“Voiced or Voiceless? A Close Literary Analysis of The Azerbaijani Woman In Her Transitioning Society”

AN-03 ♦ Literature and Politics of Culture in Post-War Soviet Eurasia

[Panel in Russian and English languages]

Institute, Room 209

Chair: Azat **Akhunov** (Kazan Federal University)

Discussant: Anna **Oldfield** (Coastal Carolina University)

Rezeda **Khurmatullina** (Kazan Federal University)

“The Inter-War Avant-garde in Kazan: Ideology, Directions, and National Peculiarities”

Christopher **Fort** (University of Michigan)

“The End of History: A Post-socialist and Post-colonial Reading of O’tkir Hoshimov’s Lives Passed in Dream”

Zulkhumor **Mirzaeva** (Alisher Navoiy Language and Literature Institute, Tashkent)

“Literary-social Interpretations of the ‘Stagnation’ Period in 20th Century Uzbek Literature”

HI-03 ♦ Culture, Trade and Statehood in Ancient and Medieval Eurasia

Institute, Room 206

Chair: Gary **Wintz** (Independent Lecturer)

Discussant: Daniel **Prior** (Miami University)

Mohamad Ajmal **Shah** (University of Kashmir)

“Silk Route Manifestations in Early Kashmir Art and Archaeology”

Dmitry **Zhelobov** (Ural Federal University)

“Merchant Theocracies and the Silk Road in Medieval Xinjiang”

Leonard **Nedashkovsky** (Kazan Federal University)

“The Chronology of the Low Volga Golden Horde Cities and Their Regions”

Aidyn **Zhuniskhanov** (Nazarbayev University)

“The Problem of Forming the Early Scythian Cultural Complex in East Kazakhstan”

IR-02 ♦ China, Russia and Wider Economic Integration in Eurasia

Institute, Room 212

Chair: Ariel **Gonzalez Levaggi** (Koc University)

Discussant: Akbota **Zholdasbekova-Cimadevila** (L. N. Gumilyov Eurasian National University)

Ajay Kumar **Patnaik** (Jawaharlal Nehru University)

“Indian and Chinese Silk Road Strategies: Competition and Cooperation”

Michael **Barry** (Mount St. Mary's University)

“Russia-China Trade Liberalization: Three General Equilibrium Models”

Albina **Muratbekova** (Al-Farabi Kazakh National University)

“China’s Economic Initiatives in Central Asian Countries and Their Impact on the Eurasian Region”

Session 4 ☑ Friday, June 3 ☑ 11:00-12:45

AN-04 ♦ Struggles of Identity, Economic Survival and Expert Knowledge in Central Asian Industrial Settings

Institute, Room 201

Chair: Leila **Almazova** (Kazan Federal University)

Discussant: Tommaso **Trevisani** (Tuebingen University)

Xenia **Prilutskaya** (Nazarbayev University)

“Expertise on Ecological Risk and Danger: A Case Study on Temirtau (Kazakhstan)”

Gulzat **Baialieva** (University of Tübingen)

“The Naryn Gorge under Conditions of Deindustrialization”

Eeva **Kesküla** (Tallinn University)

“The Oasis in the Steppe: Vitality and Infirmary in the Miners’ Sanatorium in Kazakhstan”

RE-04 ♦ Being Muslim: Practices, Perceptions, Texts, Interpretations

Institute, Room 203

Chair: Robert **Shangaraev** (Russian Islamic University)

Discussant: Tone **Bringa** (University of Bergen)

Mei **Ding** (Fudan University, Shanghai)

“Ethnicity and Everyday Practices: Uyghur Perceptions of Being Muslims in Contemporary Xinjiang, China”

Anna **Cieřlewska** (Jagiellonian University in Krakow)

“Women’s Islamic Education in the South Kyrgyzstan: Between Tradition and Change”

Rune **Steenberg** (Columbia University)

“Variations on Nikah: Cultural Improvisation and Politically Embedded Custom in Kashgar”

Rustem **Shamsutov** (Kazan State University of Architecture and Engineering)

“Folk Art of Painting on the Glass: The Tatar ‘Shamail’”

SO-04 ♦ Social Issues in Central Eurasia

Institute, Room 215

Chair: Guzel **Guzelbaeva** (Kazan Federal University)

Discussant: Aliya **Kuzhabekova** (Nazarbayev University, Graduate School of Education)

Justin **Ostrowski** (University of Arizona)

“Public Sex and the State: Struggle for Life Chances in a Changing Kyrgyzstan”

Elena **Maltseva** (University of Windsor) and Saltanat **Janenova** (Nazarbayev University, Graduate School of Public Policy)

“The Politics of Pension Reforms in Kazakhstan: Pressures for Change and Reform Strategies”

Eduard **Ponarin** (Higher School of Economics, Moscow), Veronica **Kostenko** (Higher School of Economics) and Sofia **Lopatina** (European University, Saint Petersburg)

“Family Behavior and Sexual Liberalization in Eight Post-Soviet Societies”

SO-05 ♦ Language, Identity and Politics

Institute, Room 209

Chair: Naila **Mingazova** (Kazan Federal University)

Discussant: Gulnara **Dadabayeva** (KIMEP University)

Anastassia **Zabrodska** (Tallinn University / University of Tartu)

“Images of Russia and Russians Living in Russia among Russian-Estonian Mixed Couples”

Kyle **Marquardt** (University of Gothenburg, V-Dem Institute)

“Linguistic Cleavages, Linguistic Abilities and Support for Regional Sovereignty: Evidence from Russian Regions”

Michel **Bozdémir** (INALCO, Paris)

“Turkish and Turkic Languages in a Globalizing World”

Sansar **Tsakhirmaa** (Johns Hopkins University)

“Comparative Institutionalized Bilingualism: Fieldnotes from Kazan, Tatarstan (Russia) and Urumqi, Xinjiang (China)”

HI-04 ♦ Nomadic Militaries

Institute, Room 206

Chair: Gary **Wintz** (Independent Lecturer)

Discussant: Uli **Schamiloglu** (University of Wisconsin-Madison)

Ariunbold **Altankhoyag** (Mongolian National University)

“The Legacy of the Battle of Kalka River: ‘Chorni Klobuky’ or ‘Black Hats’ and the Possibilities of Their Participation in the Battle”

Beatrice **Manz** (Tufts University)

“Should We Judge Nomads by Their Armies?”

Nadezhda **Milutenko** (Saint Petersburg State University)

“Unprecedented Campaign: From Samarkand to the Volga 1220-1223”

IR-03 ♦ Economic Competition, Cooperation and Integration in Central Eurasia

Institute, Room 212

Chair: Ariel **Gonzalez Levaggi** (Koc University)

Discussant: Carter **Johnson** (Higher School of Economics, Moscow)

Seyit Ali **Avcu** (Turkish Cooperation and Coordination Agency (TIKA) and Yildirim Beyazit University, Ankara)

“Turkish Foreign Aid to Central Asia”

Zvi **Lerman** (Hebrew University of Jerusalem), David **Sedik** (Food and Agriculture Organization of the UN/Regional Office for Europe and Central Asia) and Ivan **Stanchin** (Voronezh Economic-Legal Institute)

“Food Security in Central Asia: Wheat Production Policies in Uzbekistan and Turkmenistan”

Akbota **Zholdasbekova-Cimadevila** (L. N. Gumilyov Eurasian National University)

“Eurasia Interconnections: Approaches and Challenges”

Gulnar **Iskakova** (Shakarim State University of Semey)

“Central Asian Region in the Centre of Strategies of Russia, the USA and China”

Session 5 ☒ Friday, June 3 ☒ 14:15-16:00

AN-05 ♦ Transformation of Public Space in Post-Soviet Cities: Changing Forms, Uses and Meanings

Institute, Room 201

Chair: Aygul **Farkhaeva** (Kazan Federal University)

Discussant: John **Schoeberlein** (Nazarbayev University)

Mateusz **Laszczkowski** (University of Warsaw / Halle-Zurich Centre for Anthropological Studies on Central Asia)

“Zillion (Im)possible Cities: Urban Space and the Game Encounter in Astana”

Tsypylma **Darieva** (Friedrich-Schiller-Universität, Jena)

“Making a Sacred Place in the Urban Context: Shia Saints in Baku”

Natalya **Kosmarskaya** (Institute of Oriental Studies, Russian Academy of Sciences) and Guzel

Sabirova (Higher School of Economics in Saint Petersburg, Centre for Youth Studies)

“Frunze/Bishkek Changing Capital Centre: Symbolism, Materiality, and Everyday Practices”

RE-05 ♦ Traditional and Christian Religions in Central Eurasia

Institute, Room 203

Chair: Aleksandr **Tokranov** (Kazan Federal University)

Discussant: Dilyara **Brilyova** (Kazan Federal University)

Charles **Carlson** (Turkey-Kyrgyzstan Manas University)

“The Role of Traditional Religion in Kyrgyzstan”

Bruno **De Cordier** (Ghent University)

“Saint Bartholomew of the Southern Caspian: The Social Identity of Orthodox Christianity in Azerbaijan”

Alexandra **Medzibrodzky** (Central European University)

“Friend or Foe: Christianity and Socialism in Late Imperial Russia”

SO-06 ♦ Cooperation, Participation and Community

Institute, Room 215

Chair: Saltanat **Janenova** (Nazarbayev University, Graduate School of Public Policy)

Discussant: Aziz **Burkhanov** (Nazarbayev University)

Akmaljon **Abdullayev** (Academy of Public Administration, Tashkent)

“History of Social Movements in Central Asia before and after Independence”

Nurseit **Niyazbekov** (KIMEP University)

“Social Capital in Kazakhstan: The Case of Taldykorgan City”

Svetlana V **Suslova** (Higher School of Economics, Perm)

“Factors in Nonprofit Coproduction of Educational Services: The Case of Secondary Schools in Russia”

Irina A. **Skalaban** (Novosibirsk State Technical University)

“Social Fears of the ‘Other’ as a Factor of Urban Civic Participation”

AN-06 ♦ The Past in the Present: Memorialization, Naming, and Legacies

Institute, Room 209

Chair: Leonard **Nedashkovsky** (Kazan Federal University)

Discussant: Aida Aaly **Alymbaeva** (Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology)

Dmitriy **Melnikov** (Nazarbayev University)

“Memorial Imagination of the Soviet Period in Astana”

Alexey **Ulko** (Independent Scholar)

“Code Switching in Contemporary Art in Uzbekistan”

Christilla **Marteau d'Autry** (University Paris Ouest Nanterre La Defense)

“What’s in a Name? Naming and Social Organization in Samarkand, Uzbekistan”

PO-03 ♦ Regimes, Governance, and Democratization

[Panel in Russian and English languages]

Institute, Room 206

Chair: Kairat **Sak** (Eurasian National University)

Discussant: Slavomir **Horák** (Charles University, Prague)

Serik **Beimenbetov** (Kazakh-German University, Almaty)

“The Regulation of Organizational Life in Hybrid Regimes”

Rustam **Sabirov** (Moscow State University)

“Democracy in Mongolia: How Did It Happen?”

Sharipa **Nurzhanova** (Al Farabi Kazakh National University)

“Current Problems of Formation of Local Government of the Kyrgyz Republic and the Republic of Kazakhstan Regulation of Their Activities [Актуальные проблемы формирования местного самоуправления Кыргызской Республики и Республики Казахстан и регулирование их деятельности]”

Azhar **Baisakalova** (KIMEP University)

“Research Methodology as Applied to the Study of Corporate Social Responsibility in the Context of Kazakhstan”

IR-04 ♦ Central Asia between China, Russia and the West

Institute, Room 212

Chair: Larisa **Usmanova** (Marjani Institute for History)

Discussant: Kamen **Velichkov** (Sofia University)

Ambrish **Dhaka** (Jawaharlal Nehru University)

“The Heartland Perspective and Evolution of Russian Geopolitical Discourse”

Rim **Abdullin** (Almaty Management University)

“‘Greater Central Asia Partnership’ Initiative: The Result of Shifting of US Priorities in Post-2014 Afghanistan”

Ksenia **Muratshina** (Ural Federal University)

“Russia-China: A Prospect of Nuclear Energy Rivalry in Central Asia?”

Session 6 ☒ Friday, June 3 ☒ 16:15-18:00

SO-07 ♦ Gender, Society, and State

Institute, Room 201

Chair: Ildar **Ahmetzyanov** (Kazan Federal University)

Discussant: Svetlana **Dzardanova** (OSCE Academy in Bishkek)

Yulia **Gradskova** (Sodertorn University)

“Emancipation at the Crossroads between the ‘Woman Question’ and the ‘National Question’”

Aliya **Kuzhabekova** (Nazarbayev University, Graduate School of Education), Saltanat **Janenova** (Nazarbayev University, Graduate School of Public Policy) and Ainur **Almukhambetova** (Nazarbayev University)

“Exploring the Experiences of Female Leaders in Civil Service in Kazakhstan: Trapped between Economic Pressure to Earn and Traditional Family Role Expectations”

Didar **Kassymova** (KIMEP University)

“Longue Duree Affirmation of the Model Woman Mission: The Memoires of Shara Zhienkulova as a Source for Stalinist Socio-cultural Studies”

RE-06 ♦ Islam and the State

Institute, Room 203

Chair: Ilmur **Nafikov** (Kazan Federal University)

Discussant: Rune **Steenberg** (Columbia University)

Aidar **Habutdinov** (Kazan Federal University)

“The Role of an Official Islamic Institution, the Muslim Spiritual Assembly of Tatarstan, for the Legitimization of the Regime in the Republic”

Leila **Almazova** (Kazan Federal University)

“Religious Life of Muslims in Penal System of the Republic of Tatarstan”

Svetlana **Akkieva** (Kabardino-Balkarian Institute for Humanities Institute Researches)

“Ethno-political Processes, Islam and Ethnicity in the Northern Caucasus”

Marina **Imasheva** (Astrakhan Branch of Saratov State Law Academy)

“Islam in Astrakhan Region: History and the Modern State”

SO-08 ♦ Minorities, Co-existence, and State Security

Institute, Room 215

Chair: Tone **Bringa** (University of Bergen)

Discussant: Gulnara **Dadabayeva** (KIMEP University)

Elmira **Muratova** (Taurida National University [Crimean Federal University])

“To Be a Muslim in Russia: The ‘New’ Experience of the Crimean Tatars”

Moritz **Florin** (Universität Erlangen-Nürnberg)

“Assimilation, Integration, Segregation: Managing Ethnic Diversity in Post-war Soviet Kyrgyzstan”

Anar **Tleumaganbetova** (Nazarbayev University)

“The Chechen Diaspora in Kazakhstan: Why Do They Stay?”

LA-01 ♦ Language Interfaces

[Panel in Russian and English languages]

Institute, Room 209

Chair: Ramil **Uzmuhamedov** (Kazan Federal University)

Discussant: Sansar **Tsakhirmaa** (Johns Hopkins University)

Zeinekhan **Kuzekova** (Nazarbayev University)

“Teaching Quantifier Category in Kazakh Language: A Functional Semantic Approach”

Mahire **Yakup** (Nazarbayev University), Nikolay **Mikhailov** (Nazarbayev University) and Saule

Mussabekova (Nazarbayev University)

“Code-switching Patterns in Kazakh-Russian-English Trilingual Speakers”

Gulzura **Jumakunova** (Ankara University)

“I. Bukin’s ‘Kyrgyz-Russian Dictionary’ in Terms of Turkic Lexicography of 19th Century”

Meruyert **Ibrayeva** (Nazarbayev University), Nettie **Boivin** (Nazarbayev University, Graduate School of Education) and Bakyt **Akbuzauova** (Nazarbayev University)

“Multilingual Community of Learning: Kazakhstan's Pre-K Multiliteracy Approach”

HI-05 ♦ Perspectives on History

Institute, Room 206

Chair: Rustem **Ciunshuk** (Kazan Federal University)

Discussant: Beatrice **Manz** (Tufts University)

Mounira **Azzout** (EHESS/CNRS-IRESO)

“The More Influential Erudite: Expertise, Skills and Multi-positionality: The Case of the Orientalists of Soviet Central Asia (1920s-1930s)”

Alexander **Vasilyev** (Institute of Oriental Studies, Russian Academy of Sciences)

“A Liegeman or Troubled Neighbor: Rethinking the Ways of Russian Policy towards Kashgar at the End of the 1870s-Beginning of the 1880s”

Sunatullo **Jonboboev** (University of Central Asia; Institute of Philosophy, Political Sciences and Law AS RT)

“Abu al-Rayhan al-Beruni, a Central Asian Pioneer of the Multiculturalism and Comparative Studies”

IR-05 ♦ Middle East and India in Relation to Central Eurasia

Institute, Room 212

Chair: Guzel **Mratkhuzina** (Kazan Federal University)

Discussant: Bernardo **Teles Fazendeiro** (University of St Andrews)

Marat **Safin** (Kazan Federal University)

“The Role and Place of the Islamic Factor in the Cooperation of Russia with the SCO Countries”

Hamed **Kazemzadeh** (University of Warsaw) and Anahita **Shahrokhi** (University of Warsaw)

“Iran’s Role in Central Asia and the Caucasus after the Nuclear Deal”

Asad **Mahrad** (Berlin Municipal Government; Independent Scholar)

“Connecting the Persian Gulf to the Volga-Caspian Waterway: New Goals after the End of Sanctions to Iran”

Session 7 ☐ Saturday, June 4 ☐ 9:00-10:45

PO-04 ♦ Forming Cities and Nations

Institute, Room 201

Chair: Natalya **Kosmarskaya** (Institute of Oriental Studies (IVRAN), Russian Academy of Sciences, Moscow)

Discussant: Olivier **Ferrando** (French Institute for Central Asian Studies [IFEAC])

Gulnara **Dadabayeva** (KIMEP University)

“Russian-speaking Urban Citizens: Construction of New Social Space (the Case of Almaty)”

Caroline Erin **Elkin** (Kazakh Leading Academy of Architecture and Civil Engineering)

“Our City Has Been Transformed: Soviet, Kazakh, and Kazakhstani Identities in Almaty’s City Parks”

Marem **Buzurtanova** (Al-Farabi Kazakh National University)

“Civic-ethnic Hybrid Nationalism Model for Kazakhstan: How It Emerged and How to Make It Successful”

Dina **Sharipova** (KIMEP University)

“The Determinants of Nationalist Sentiments in Kazakhstan: Evidence from a National Survey”

RE-07 ♦ Religion and Identity in Azerbaijan: Past and Present

Institute, Room 203

Chair: Rune **Steenberg** (Columbia University)

Discussant: Tsypylma **Darieva** (Friedrich-Schiller-Universitaet, Jena, Germany)

Irina **Shingiray** (Oxford University)

“Nomadic Influence on Religious Identity in Azerbaijan: The Case of Shia Muharram Rituals”

Elio **Brancaforte** (Tulane University)

“European Accounts of Shiite Rituals in Safavid-Era Azerbaijan and Iran”

Lala **Aliyeva** (Baku State University)

“Transformation of Orthodox Islam to Folk Islam in Azerbaijan: Existing Heresy Mixed with Old Azeri Tradition”

AN-07 ♦ Minority Identifications and Their Politics

Institute, Room 215

Chair: Evgeniy **Hamidov** (Kazan Federal University)

Discussant: Yuliya **Shapoval** (L. N. Gumilyov Eurasian National University)

Elena **Marushiakova** (Imre Kertesz Kolleg, Friedrich Schiller University Jena) and Veselin **Popov** (Institute for Ethnology and Folklore Studies with Ethnographic Museum at Bulgarian Academy of Sciences)

“Gypsy (Rom - Lom - Dom) Identities in Georgia”

Akira **Sakurama** (Japan Society for the Promotion of Science)

“Ethnicity and Imperial Memory: N. I. Il’minskii in the Identity of Contemporary Tatars and Kriashens”

Miglena **Dikova-Milanova** (Ghent University)

“Literary Images of Bulgarian Muslim Minorities: Between Political Controversy and Transcendence of Historical Memory”

Aida Aaly **Alymbaeva** (Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology)

“Between Minority and Majority: Sart-Kalmaks in Kyrgyzstan”

AN-08 ♦ Performance Traditions and Epics

Institute, Room 209

Chair: Gary **Wintz** (Independent Lecturer)

Discussant: Elmira **Kochumkulova** (University of Central Asia)

Aida **Almazova** (Kazan Federal University)

“Axiological Analysis of Musical Heritage of the Tatar Composer Rashid Kalimullin”

Meiramgul **Kussainova** (Nazarbayev University) and Gultas **Kurmanbay** (Nazarbayev University)

“Historical Songs about Amangel'dy Imanov: Mythologizing and Truth (Reality)”

Jutta **Wintermann** (University of Cologne)

“The Myth of the Jade-stone: Weather and Magic in Epic Poetry and Historical Documents”

HI-06 ♦ Modernizations and Their Technologies

[Panel in Russian and English languages]

Institute, Room 206

Chair: Elmira **Muratova** (Taurida National University [Crimean Federal University])

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Aitmukhanbet **Yesdauletov** (L. N. Gumilyov Eurasian National University) and Ardak **Yesdauletova** (L. N. Gumilyov Eurasian National University)

“The Kazakhstani Economy in the Soviet and Post-Soviet Press”

Vladimir **Boyko** (Altai State Pedagogical University; Altai State University)

“Quest for Socio-economic Modernization in Afghanistan during World War II and Early Post-war Times: Domestic Impulses and International Environment”

Samantha **Lomb** (Vyatka State University)

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

Ragnar **Skre** (University of Bergen)

“Hydro Power, Audit Regimes and Contested Knowledge”

IR-06 ♦ Turkey, Russia, Central Eurasia

Institute, Room 212

Chair: Michel **Bozdémir** (INALCO, Paris)

Discussant: Elaheh **Koolaee** (University of Tehran)

Ariel **Gonzalez Levaggi** (Koc University)

“Coercion, Persuasion and Smartness in Foreign Policy Strategies: Russia and Turkey in Comparative Perspective”

Evrin **Eken** (Saint Petersburg State University)

“Contemporary Crisis in Turkish-Russian Relations: A Real Return to Security-oriented Foreign Policy Course in Bilateral Relations?”

Bernardo **Teles Fazendeiro** (University of St Andrews)

“The Uzbekistani-Turkish Relationship, 1991-2000: A Relationship that Never Took Off”

Session 8 ☐ Saturday, June 4 ☐ 11:00-12:45

HI-07 ♦ Everyday Life in Extraordinary Conditions: On Materials of the Ural Periphery of the Russian Empire

[Panel in Russian language]

Institute, Room 201

Chair: Leonard **Nedashkovsky** (Kazan Federal University)

Discussant: Dmitry **Vasilyev** (Moscow Institute of Commerce and Law)

Elena **Burlutskaya** (Orenburg State Pedagogical University)

“Stress Factors in Everyday Life of the Merchants of the South Ural in the First Half of the 19th Century”

Stepan **Dzhundzhuzov** (Orenburg State University)

“Everyday Life of the Kalmyk Immigrants in Orenburg Province: Realization of a Crisis Model of Economic Adaptation (Second Half of the 19th Century)”

Sergey **Lyubichankovskiy** (Volga Branch of Institute of Russian History of the Russian Academy of Sciences)

“‘Proletarians of the Twentieth’: Everyday Life of the Ordinary Ural Officials in Late Imperial Russia”

Elena **Godovova** (Russian Presidential Academy of National Economy and Public Administration)

“Everyday Life of Orenburg Cossacks in Extreme Military Conditions (in the Second Half of the 19th-Early 20th Centuries)”

RE-08 ♦ Islamic Discursive Tradition and Modernity

Institute, Room 203

Chair: Ramil **Uzmuhamedov** (Kazan Federal University)

Discussant: Jesko **Schmoller** (Perm State University)

Selçuk **Altuntaş** (University of Wisconsin-Madison)

“A Debate over the Sacred among the Muslims of Imperial Russia: Ziyaeddin Kamali’s Attempt to Translate the Qur’an into the Tatar Language”

Ramil **Galiullin** (Kazan Federal University)

“The Neo-Jadidism Phenomenon in Contemporary Tatar Society”

Inessa **Beloglazova** (Kazan Federal University)

“Qur’an Ayahs in RuNet: What Russian-language Sites Call Muslims for?”

Rezeda **Safiullina-Al Ansi** (Kazan Federal University)

“Coverage of Religious Themes and Modern Theological Discussions of Muslims of the Volga Region in the Information Space of the Republic of Tatarstan”

AN-09 ♦ Construction of Identity and Practices of Representation in the Contemporary Kazakhstan

[Panel in Russian and English languages]

Institute, Room 215

Chair: Leila **Almazova** (Kazan Federal University)

Discussant: John **Schoeberlein** (Nazarbayev University)

Kuralay **Yermaganbetova** (L. N. Gumilyov Eurasian National University)

“Construction of Kazakhstani Identity in the Context of Cultural Branding”

Yuliya **Shapoval** (L. N. Gumilyov Eurasian National University)

“Cossack Identity in the Contemporary Kazakhstan: Identity Politics through Memory Practices”

Ruziya **Kamarova** (L. N. Gumilyov Eurasian National University)

“Biographical Narrative and the Construction of Identity: The Case of the Tatars in Astana”

AN-10 ♦ The Oral Heritage of Central Asia: New Research Initiatives and Collaborations to Translate Kyrgyz Epics into English

Panel Sponsored by the University of Central Asia
Institute, Room 209

Chair: Jutta **Wintermann** (University of Cologne)

Karl **Reichl** (University of Bonn)

Daniel **Prior** (Miami University)

Elmira **Kochumkulova** (University of Central Asia)

PO-05 ♦ Societal Contexts of Security Issues

Institute, Room 206

Chair: Hafiz **Boboyorov** (Academy of Sciences of Tajikistan)

Discussant: Dina **Sharipova** (KIMEP University)

Rafael **Sattarov** (Higher School of Economics, Moscow)

“Security Threats in the Central Asia in the Context of Social Problems”

Serik **Beissembayev** (Center for Social and Political Studies)

“Religious Radicalism in Kazakhstan: The Fertile Soil of Gang Culture”

Punit **Gaur** (Centre for Research in Rural and Industrial Development)

“Multiculturalism: A Conduit between Europe and Asia”

IR-07 ♦ Cold War Politics: Old and New

Institute, Room 212

Chair: William **Beacom** (American University of Central Asia)

Discussant: Carter **Johnson** (Higher School of Economics, Moscow)

Tugrul **Keskin** (Maltepe University)

“Between Central Asia and Turkistan: Cold War Politics of Pan-Turkism”

Alexey **Fominykh** (Volga State University of Technology)

“A Forgotten Détente Episode: ‘Research and Development USA’ Exhibition in Kazan in 1972”

Rashid **Gabdulhakov** (Central Asian Development Institute)

“Portrayal of Refugees in the Russian Media: Unmanageable Crisis or Managed Opportunity?”

Plenary ☑ Saturday, June 2 ☑ 14:15-15:30

Concert Hall in the UNIKS Complex, Academician Nuzhin St. 2

Keynote Speech: “**Quranic Principles of Inter-faith Harmony**”

by Professor **Taufik Ibrahim** of the Institute of Oriental Studies, Russian Academy of Sciences

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The Institute has deep educational traditions that can be traced to the date of the foundation of Kazan Imperial University in 1804 when teaching programs on political studies and linguistics began. In 1828, a special unit was established, called “Vostochnyi Razriad” [Eastern Department], that was dedicated to the study of the Orient. Since then a number of prominent scholars in Oriental studies, History and Linguistics worked productively at the University, including: Christian Fren (1782-1856), Aleksandr Kazembek, (1802–1870), Ilya Berezin (1818–1896) Franz Erdman (1793–1863), Josef Gottwald (1813–1897), and many others. Graduates of these programs went on to serve in the sphere of Russian foreign policy, diplomacy, and scholarship, among other areas.

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History

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Anthropology and Ethnology

Museology and preservation of cultural and natural heritage

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Linguistics (specializations in: Translation; Theory and Methods of Teaching Foreign Languages and Cultures)

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