

M.E.S.S. 2019 – Religions in Mongol Eurasia

Wednesday 15th May 2019

Alois Wagner-Saal - C3 - Centrum für Internationale Entwicklung
1090 Wien, Sensengasse 3

09.00 - 09.15 *Opening Remarks*

09.15 - 10.30 Session One – Religious Capitals

Enerelt Enkhbold (National University of Mongolia)

Mongol Taxation and Religions

Or Amir (Hebrew University of Jerusalem)

Divination as Cultural Capital Across Mongol Eurasia: A Mamluk Perspective

Yoichi Isahaya (Rikkyo University)

From Alamūt to Marāgha: Religious Polarization and Scientific Commonalization

Discussant: **Marie Favereau** (University of Oxford)

10.30-11.00 *Coffee Break*

11.00 – 12.15 Session Two – Golden Horde

Qiu Yihao (Fudan University, Shanghai)
Genealogical Perspective on Berke's Islamic Conversion

Alexander Uzelac (Belgrade University)
Religious Conditions in the Western Lands of the Golden Horde

Szilvia Kovács (Szeged University)
Elias of Hungary, a Franciscan Diplomat in the Golden Horde

Discussant: **Ekaterini Mitsiou** (University of Vienna)

12.15-13.45 *Lunch*



13.45 – 14.45 Session Three – Religions and Narratives

Johannes Gießauf (Karl-Franzens Universität Graz)
Religions in the Mongol Empire(s) through Christian eyes

Konstantin Golev (Bulgarian Academy of Sciences)
Witch-hunt in the Mongol Empire: Traditional Mongol Religion vs. Witchcraft

Discussant: **Pier Giorgio Borbone** (University of Pisa)

14.45-15.15 *Coffee Break*

15.15 – 16.30 Session Four – Religious Personnel and Bureaucratization

Martón Vér (Berlin Academy of Sciences)
Religious communities and the spread of information in East Turkestan under Mongol rule
Francesca Fiaschetti (University of Vienna)
Religious Pluralism and Legitimacy in mid-Yuan China

Qiao Yang (The Hebrew University of Jerusalem)
Managing the Knowledge of the Future: Local Divination Schools in Yuan China (1271-1368)

Discussant: **Jana Valtrová** (Masaryk University, Brno)

16.30-17.00 *Coffee Break*

17.00 – 18.15 Keynote Lecture

Peter Jackson

(Keele University)

**The Mongols and Religions:
Precocious Tolerance or Cynical Manipulation?**

Discussant: **Philippe Buc** (University of Vienna)

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