

Islamic Pasts and Futures in East Asia's Worldmaking

Historische Sternwarte, University of Göttingen
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September 23-24, 2022

September 23, Friday

11:00 - 11:20 Opening and Introduction

- Dominic Sachsenmaier (University of Göttingen)
- Janice Hyeju Jeong (University of Göttingen)
- Mohammad Alsudairi (King Faisal Center for Research and Islamic Studies)

11:30 - 14:00 Panel I. Visions and Instrumentalizations of Islam in Asia: Historical Trajectories

Chair: Janice Hyeju Jeong (University of Göttingen)

- Cemil Aydin (University of North Carolina Chapel Hill)
"Inter-Asian Muslim Experiences of World-Making and World-Breaking in the Long 20th Century"
- Ulrich Brandenburg (University of Zurich)
"Asia, Muslim Asia, and the Challenge to Geography"
- Yee Lak Elliot Lee (Leipzig University)
"Re-Territorialization of Hui Muslims in Early 20th Century China: Historical and Demographic Knowledge Production"
- Hale Eroglu (Bogazici University)
"The Awakened Muslim: Turkish Modernity in Chinese Muslim Reformist Thought"

15:30 - 16:30 Keynote Address by Selcuk Esenbel (Bogazici University): "Islam and East Asia in World-Making: Local and Regional Maps Embedded into a Globalizing World"

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17:00 - 18:45 Panel II. Crisis, Community, and Control in Altishahr/Xinjiang

Chair: Cemil Aydin (University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill)

- Elke Spiessens (Leiden University, WWU Münster)
“CCP Policy towards Uyghur Islam in the 21st Century: What Changed?”
- Björn Alpermann (University of Würzburg)
“A Vanishing Act? Islam in Contemporary Xinjiang”
- Rachel Harris (SOAS University of London)
“Religious Experience and Manufactured Spectacle in Xinjiang”

September 24, Saturday

10:00 - 11:45 Panel III. The Question of “Muslim” Ethnicities and Minorities in “non-Muslim” Asia

Chair: Selcuk Esenbel (Bogazici University)

- Rian Thum (University of Manchester)
“Inter-Asian Islamophobia”
- Wlodzimierz Cieciora (University of Warsaw)
“Huizu – a Chinese ‘Muslim race’? Muslim Racialization and Self-Racialization in Modern China.”
- Yoko Yamashita (Sophia University)
“Multicultural Freedom and Discursive Modes of Control over Muslims in Contemporary Japan”

13:00 - 14:45 Panel IV. The Politics of “Acceptable” Islam: Aesthetics and Public Visibility

Chair: Liu Kang (Duke University)

- Yi Soojeong (Sogang Euro-MENA Institute, Sogang University)
“Social Integration in South Korea: Ban-Opticon and Recognition Struggle”
- Yang Yang (National University of Singapore)
“Traveling Muslim Men as Cultural Assets: Popularized Islam, Heritage Diplomacy, and the Silk Road in China”
- Michael Malzer (University of Würzburg)
“From Arabian Nights to China’s Bordeaux: the Vanishing Role of Islam in Yinchuan, Ningxia.”

15:00 - 16:00 Keynote Address by Engseong Ho (Duke University): “Mobile Muslims and Majoritarian States: Open and Shut Cases”

16:30 - 18:15 Panel V. Dwelling in Migration and Displacement: Tensions and Opportunities between Global Expanses and Westphalian Borders

Chair: Zhu Guohua (East China Normal University)

- Francesca Rosati (University of Leiden)
“Muslim Women in Northwestern China between Islamization and Chinafication: The Case of Women’s Madrasas in Linxia”
- Leila Chebbi (CETOBaC)
“In the ways of Tabligh: Sinicization as a Survival Strategy for a Global Islamic Revivalist Movement?”
- Atsushi Yamagata (University of Wollongong)
“Responses to the Syrian Refugee Crisis in Japan”

**There is a limited number of seats for attendance onsite. Please direct inquiries to xiaoyang.zhao@stud.uni-goettingen.de*