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# PROGRAM

## MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

- 09:30–10:00 **Welcome and Introduction**  
Konrad Petrovsky | Austrian Academy of Sciences
- Official Record-Keeping**
- 10:00–10:40 **Betül Kaya** | University of Chicago  
*Scribal Practices and Document Formulations in 17<sup>th</sup>-Century Ottoman Court Registers*
- 10:40–11:20 **Lena Sadovski** | Austrian Academy of Sciences, Leiden University  
*Understanding and Recording Slavic Oral Testimonies and Written Texts in Venetian Dalmatia*
- 11:20–11:30 BREAK
- Collection and Erudition**
- 11:30–12:10 **Uroš Dakić** | University of Belgrade  
*Made for Whom? Recording and Organising Marginalia in the Sarajevo Copies of Osmanzâde Ahmed Taib's Garden of Viziers*
- 12:10–12:50 **Nikolas Pissis** | Ionian University, Korfu  
*Collecting and Employing Knowledge in the Libraries of the Mavrokordatos Phanariot Dynasty*
- 12:50–14:00 LUNCH BREAK
- Naming and Classifying**
- 14:00–14:40 **Cristian-Nicolae Gașpar** | Central European University, Vienna  
*From the Brandenburgs to the Ottomans: Recording Names and Creating Identities on the Margins of Ottoman Europe*
- 14:40–15:20 **Ahmet İlker Baş** | Hacı Bayram Veli University, Ankara  
*Arbitrariness of the Scribe Versus Categorization Need of the Researcher: How Much Trustable are the Titles and Epithets in Categorizing the Ottoman Society?*
- 15:20–16:30 **Meeting of the Research Group "Ottoman Europe"**
- Nicole Immig, Arkadiusz Blaszczyk** | University of Giessen  
*Insights into the Development of a Serious Game on Early Modern Ottoman Europe (working title: "Merchants of Istanbul")*

## TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

- Intelligence and Governance**
- 09:30–10:10 **Mehmet Yılmaz Akbulut** | 29 Mayıs University, Istanbul  
*News From Europe: Diplomatic and Intelligence Reports Translated in the Imperial Dîwân, 1739–1768*
- 10:10–10:50 **Yusuf Ziya Karabiçak** | American School of Classical Studies at Athens  
*Assessing a Declaration: Ottoman Information Channels on the Polish-Lithuanian Commonwealth and Russia before the War of 1768–1774*
- 10:50–11:00 BREAK
- 11:00–11:40 **Vasile Mihai Olaru** | "George Barițiu" Institute of History of the Romanian Academy, Cluj-Napoca  
*Collection and Storing of Administrative Information in Late 18<sup>th</sup>-Century Wallachia*
- 11:40–12:20 **Giorgio Ennas** | Franklin University, Lugano  
*Documenting Epidemics. Euro-Ottoman Consular Sources during the Cholera Epidemics in Southeast Europe*
- 12:20–13:00 **Concluding Discussion**