

# OTUGRAD

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**2025**

**May 30–31, 2025**

Friday & Saturday

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**Image:** The Habsburg delegation's reception of the Ottoman embassy in front of Komárom Fortress on May 30, 1665.

**Source:** *Der neu-eröffneten Ottomanischen Pforten Fortsetzung/ Oder: Continuierter historischer Bericht*



# WORKSHOP PROGRAM

May 30, 2025 - Friday

09:00 - 09:30    Registration and opening remarks

09:30 - 10:45    **Panel I: Reimagining the Classical Period through the Written Word**  
*Chair: Tijana Krstić (Central European University)*

**Illuminating Power and Poetry: The Decorative Traditions of *Dîvân-i Muhibbî***  
Negar Kazemipourleilabadi (Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München)

**Memory of a Golden Age: The Reign of Süleyman in İbrahim Peçevi's *Tārīḥ-i Peçevî***  
Samuel Stevens (Ohio State University)

**Communicating Through Pamphlets: Cash Waqfs Debate among Sixteenth-Century Ottoman Scholars**  
Ahmet Baran Demir (Central European University)

10:45 - 11:00    Coffee break

11:00 - 12:15    **Panel II: Mystical Current and Cultural Encounters in the Early-Modern Ottoman Empire**  
*Chair: Robyn Dora Radway (Central European University)*

**The Emergence of Tariqa-Based Sufism in the Early Modern Ottoman Context: Bayrami-Halwati Interactions and the *Suhrawardi Adab***  
Cankat Kaplan (Central European University)

**North African Envoys in Vienna: A Habsburg Perspective on Relations between Constantinople and Its Regencies of Algiers, Tunis, and Tripoli**  
Jonas Czaika (Central European University)

Third paper will be announced later

12:15 - 13:15    Lunch break

13:15 - 14:30    **Panel III: Diplomacy, Insurgency, and Tribal Politics in the Late Ottoman Empire**  
*Chair: Tolga U. Esmer (Central European University)*

**Scandal at the London Ball: Edward Zohrab, the Ottoman Consul, and the 1854 Frigate Affair**  
Furkan Arslan (Central European University)

**Loyal Insurgents Abroad: Habsburg-Ottoman Relations and the 1858 "Bosnian Deputation" to Vienna**  
Dylan Mask (Central European University)

**The Fragile Borderland: The Haydaranlı Tribe on the Ottoman-Persian Border**  
Osman Uzğur (Central European University)

14:30 - 14:45    Coffee break

14:45 - 16:15    **Panel IV: Knowledge Production and Imperial Representation in the Late Ottoman Empire**  
*Chair: M. Brett Wilson (Central European University)*

**Governing from the Margins: The Emergence of Provincial Press in the Ottoman Empire (1865-1871)**  
Okan Kozanoğlu (Central European University)

**The Third Rome and Politics of Byzantium:  
Contesting the Byzantine Legacy under Hamidian Censorship**  
Meyçem Ceren Ulu (Freie Universität Berlin)

**Unrecognized Knowledge: Missionary Medical Education and  
State Authority in the Late Ottoman Empire**  
Merve Demirkan Aydoğan (Central European University)

**Frames of Empire: Armenian Photography in Late Ottoman and Post-Ottoman Jerusalem**  
Diana Ghazaryan (Pázmány Péter Catholic University)

16:15 Reception

**May 31, 2025 - Saturday**

09:30 - 11:00 **Panel V: Sacred Legacies and National Visions: Religion, Architecture, and Memory**  
*Chair: Okan Kozanoğlu (Central European University)*

**From Confessionalization to Nation-Building: Sectarian Politics in the Late Ottoman Empire**  
Flora Ghazaryan (Central European University)

**Ottoman-Turkish Mosque Narratives Between East and West: Perspectives from  
*Usûl-i Mi'mârî Osmânî* and Károly Kós**  
Abdulkerim Bozyel (Istanbul Technical University)

**Martyrdom and the Republic: Rethinking the Paradigms and Revisiting the Sources**  
Furkan Berkant Yavuz (Central European University)

**Secularizing a Mystic: The 1949 Relocation of Yunus Emre's Tomb and Its Re-sacralization**  
Yusuf Selman İnanç (Central European University)

11:00 - 11:15 Coffee break

11:15 - 12:45 **Panel VI: State, Economy, and Discipline in Late Ottoman Empire and Early Republican Turkey**  
*Chair: Umut Türem (University of Vienna)*

**The 1908 Boycott Reconsidered: Revisiting the Long-Standing Dualism  
Between 'Liberal' and 'National' Economy in Ottoman Economic Thought**  
Hazan Sertkaya (Middle East Technical University)

**Revisiting the 1940 Turkish National Protection Law: The Property Journal**  
Deniz Can Keskin (Freie Universität Berlin)

**Dilemma of Etatism: Welfare Services in Karabük Iron and Steel Works in the 1940s**  
Göker Giresunlu (Central European University)

**Lecturing Law Enforcement in Early Republican Turkey**  
Deniz Yüce (Boğaziçi University)