

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

WEDNESDAY 15TH MAY 2019

Location: C3 - Centrum für Internationale Entwicklung
Alois Wagner-Saal
Sensengasse 3, 1090 Vienna

09.00-09.15 *Opening Remarks*

09.15-10.30 Session One – Religious Economies

Enerelt Enkhbold (National University of Mongolia)

**Mongol Tax Policy On Religions:
A Macroeconomic Perspective**

Or Amir (Hebrew University of Jerusalem)
**Divination as Cultural Capital Across Mongol
Eurasia: A Mamluk Perspective**

Yoichi Isahaya (Hokkaido University)
**From Alamūt to Marāgha: Religious
Polarization and Scientific Communalization**

Discussant: **Shane Bobrycki** (University of Vienna)

10.30-11.00 *Coffee Break*

11.00-12.15 Session Two – Golden Horde

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

Alexander Uzelac (Institute of History,
Belgrade)
**Religious Conditions in the Western Lands of
the Golden Horde**

Szilvia Kovács (MTA–ELTE–SZTE Silk Road
Research Group and University of Szeged)
**Elias of Hungary, a Franciscan Diplomat in the
Golden Horde**

Discussant: **Ekaterini Mitsiou** (Göttingen
Academy of Sciences / Austrian Academy of
Sciences)

12.15-13.45 *Lunch Break (for Conference
Participants)*

13.45-14.45 Session Three – Religions and Narratives

Johannes Gießauf (University of 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-Brandenburg 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)

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)

Further Information:

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Please register until 3rd May 2019 to secure a seat.
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