ENVIRONMENTAL HISTORY OF THE OTTOMAN EMPIRE AND TURKEY

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE
27–28 OCTOBER 2017
FRIDAY, 27 OCTOBER 2017

9:15—9:30 OPENING AND WELCOME
Onur İnal, University of Hamburg
Yavuz Köse, University of Hamburg

9:30—11:00 ENVIRONMENTAL MOVEMENTS AND PROTESTS IN TURKEY
Chair: Onur İnal, University of Hamburg

Zehra Taşdemir Yaşın, Binghamton University
Contextualizing the Rise of Environmental Movements in Turkey: Two Instances of Anti-Gold Mining Resistance

Bürge Abiral, John Hopkins University
From Landraces to Modern Wheat: History of Wheat in Turkey

Ethemcan Turhan, KTH Environmental Humanities Lab
Coal, Ash, and Other Tales: The Making and Unmaking of an Anti-Coal Movement in Western Turkey

11:00—11:30 COFFEE BREAK

11:30—13:00 WATER AND ENVIRONMENT IN EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN
Chair: Selçuk Dursun, Middle East Technical University

Antonis Hadjikyriacou, Boğaziçi University
Water-intensive Agriculture and the Era of the ‘Mediterranean Autumn’ in Early Modern Cyprus

Vaso Seirinidou, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens
Evros/Maritsa/Meriç River and the Making of a Borderland Ecology

Styliani Lepida, University of Cyprus
Water Shortage Issues in an Ottoman Province: The Case of 17th Century Cyprus Landscapes

13:00—14:00 LUNCH BREAK
14:00—15:45 CIRCULATION, TRANSFER AND ADAPTATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL KNOWLEDGE IN THE OTTOMAN EMPIRE

Chair: Onur İnal, University of Hamburg

Özkan Akpınar, Özyeğin University
Reclaiming the Empire: Environment, Hydraulic Engineering and Local Politics in Late 19th Century Salonica

Camille Cole, Yale University
Social, Economic, and Environmental Geographies of Steamshipping in Southern Iraq, 1865–1909

Canan Bolel, University of Washington
Out of Sight, Out of Mind: The Role of the Mount Pagus in the Spatiotemporal Jewish Identity in Izmir

Yavuz Köse, University of Hamburg
The Inventor of Nature – Alexander von Humboldt in Turkey

15:45—16:15 COFFEE BREAK

16:15—17:45 ENVIRONMENTAL CHANGE AND URBAN SANITATION IN THE OTTOMAN EMPIRE

Chair: Seda Altuğ, Boğaziçi University/EUME

Mehmet Kentel, University of Washington
Environment and Urban Infrastructure in Late Ottoman Istanbul: Water and Sewage in the (Re)Making of Pera, Kasımpaşa, and Terkos

Mohammed Gamal-Eldin, Princeton University
Cesspools, Mosquitos, and Fever: An Environmental History of Malaria Prevention in Ismailia and Port Sa’id, 1869–1910

Uğur Bahadir Bayraktar, Independent Scholar
Up to Auction: Water, Rights, and Commodification in Ottoman Diyarbekir, 1860–1913

18:30—20:30 KEYNOTE LECTURE — ROOM 221

Joachim Radkau, Bielefeld University
Ottoman/Turkish Environmental History from a Global Perspective: Facts, Thoughts, and Questions

WELCOME RECEPTION
9:00—10:45 TRANSFORMATION OF OTTOMAN LANDSCAPES (15TH—17TH CENTURIES)
Chair: Yavuz Köse, University of Hamburg

Elias Kolovos, University of Crete
Was There A Little Ice Age in the Balkans and the Eastern Mediterranean? Based on the Case Studies of Salonica and Crete

Hristo Hristozov, University of Sofia
Environmental Limits and Climate Variability in the Mountains on the Ottoman Balkans: Changing Social Landscape in the District (Kaza) of Nevrekop, 15th—early 18th Centuries

Mehmet Kuru, University of Toronto
Mapping People and Produce: Ecological Change and the Shift in Tax-Base in Sixteenth-Century Ottoman Anatolia

Suraiya Faroqi, Istanbul Bilgi University
Vineyards on the Bosporus: How They Flourished and How They Disappeared

10:45—11:15 COFFEE BREAK

11:15—13:00 TRANSFORMATION OF OTTOMAN LANDSCAPES (18TH—19TH CENTURIES)
Chair: Suraiya Faroqi, Istanbul Bilgi University

Önder Eren Akgül, Georgetown University
Nomads, Migrants, and Çiftlik: A Socio-Ecological Change in the Ottoman Aegean, 1750s–1820s

Seçil Uluişik, University of Arizona/Austrian Academy of Sciences
Chasing the Animal: Rivalry, Power, and Politics of Livestock in Ottoman Provinces, 1790s–1860s

Yener Koç, Boğaziçi University
Meşta-Nişin Aşair: Environmental and Political Adaptation of the Nomadic Tribes of Northeastern Anatolia, 1800s–1860s
Selçuk Dursun, Middle East Technical University
Forest Commons and Property Rights in the Late Ottoman Empire and Early Turkish Republic

13:00—14:00 LUNCH BREAK

14:00—15:45 ENVIRONMENT AND POLITICS IN TURKEY
Chair: Ethemcan Turhan, KTH Environmental Humanities Lab

Seçil Binboğa, University of Michigan
Soil, Technic and People: The Cold War Politics of Spatial Expertise in Turkey

Dale J. Stahl, University of Colorado Denver
A Technopolitical Frontier: The Keban Dam Project and Southeastern Anatolia

Sezai Ozan Zeybek, Istanbul Bilgi University
‘Forests Cannot Be Left to the Mercy of Peasants’ Scientific Forestry and the Invention of Public Benefit

Rana İzci Connelly, Marmara University
Knowing Nature: Politics of Picknicking in Istanbul

15:45—16:15 LAUNCH OF THE NETWORK FOR THE STUDY OF ENVIRONMENTAL HISTORY OF TURKEY

CLOSING REMARKS

17:00—18:30 ENVIRONMENTAL HISTORY AT THE WATERFRONT
Organized and lead by Constantin Canavas (HAW – Hamburg University of Applied Sciences)
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