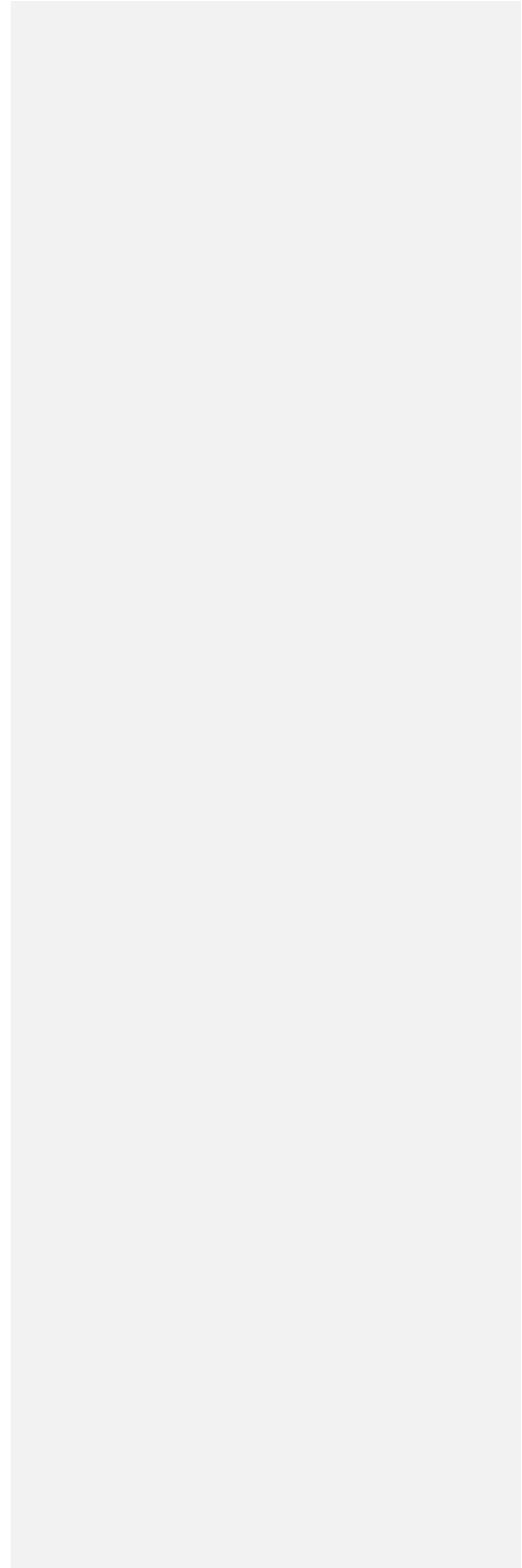


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Dear Colleagues and Guests,

*In memoriam*

**Dmitry Semyonov**

May 12, 1986 – August 17, 2017



Dmitry was a talented young scholar and educational administrator. The author of a number of articles on higher education reform, he was the Head of the Laboratory for University Development of the Institute of Education at the National Research University Higher School of Economics (HSE), and also Aide to the HSE Rector. Dmitry was a kind and generous person as well as a promising scholar and educational leader, and he will be deeply missed by all of those who had the privilege to work with him and to know him.

Dmitry, 31, was killed together with a friend in a tragic automobile crash while on vacation in Thailand.

The CESS Board and membership offers heartfelt condolences to Dmitry's family, friends and colleagues.

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## Program

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10:45-12:30 - **Session 4**

12:30-14:15 - Lunch

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14:15-16:00 - **Session 5**

16:00-16:15 - Coffee Break

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## Keynote speaker

**Sarah Chayes, Senior Fellow, Democracy and Rule of Law Program, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace**

### **“Transnational Kleptocratic Networks: The Central Asian Connections”**



Sarah Chayes is internationally recognized for her innovative thinking on corruption and its implications. Her work explores how severe corruption can help prompt such crises as terrorism, revolutions and their violent aftermaths, and environmental degradation.

A senior fellow in Carnegie’s Democracy and Rule of Law program, Sarah Chayes is the author of *Thieves of State: Why Corruption Threatens Global Security*. She is internationally recognized for her innovative thinking on corruption and its implications. Her work explores how severe corruption can help prompt such crises as terrorism, revolutions and their violent aftermaths, and environmental degradation.

Before joining Carnegie, Chayes served as special assistant to the top U.S. military officer, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Admiral Mike Mullen. She focused on governance issues, participating in cabinet-level decision-making on Afghanistan, Pakistan, and the Arab Spring, and traveling with Mullen frequently to these regions. Chayes was tapped for the job after her work as special adviser to two commanders of the international troops in Afghanistan (ISAF), at the end of a decade on the ground there.

It was a sense of historic opportunity that prompted Chayes to end her journalism career in early 2002, after covering the fall of the Taliban for NPR, and to remain in Afghanistan to help rebuild the country. She chose to settle in the former Taliban heartland, Kandahar.

In 2005, Chayes founded Arghand, a start-up manufacturing cooperative, where men and women working together produce fine skin-care products. The goal was to revive the region’s historic role in exporting fruit and its derivatives, to promote sustainable development, and expand alternatives to the opium economy. Running Arghand in downtown Kandahar proved to an instructive vantage point for observing the unfolding war.

From 1996 to 2001, Chayes was NPR’s Paris correspondent. For her work during the Kosovo crisis, she shared the 1999 Foreign Press Club and Sigma Delta Chi awards.

Along with *Thieves of State*, which won the 2016 Los Angeles Times Book Prize, Chayes is the author of *The Punishment of Virtue: Inside Afghanistan After the Taliban* (Penguin, 2006).

## Cultural Program

**Friday October 6, 12:30 - 2:15, Hub 214**

### **Folk Tales From The Steppes**

It is in the nature of stories to travel, and today folk tales from Central Asia arrive in Seattle! Join us for an hour of traditional stories told by professional storytellers and scholars that will open a window into the steppes. Veronica Muskheli (University of Washington, Slavic Languages and Literatures) studies world folk tales and their life as performance art. Dana Sherry (Silk Road House) is a respectable historian of Russia who now has turned to a life of storytelling. Kira Van Deusen (independent scholar) is a folk tale collector and ethnographer; accompanied by her evocative singing, she delights listeners with adventures in worlds we do not see with the eye.

This is an open session to which members of the local community are also welcomed.

**Saturday October 7, 12:30 - 2:15, Denny 112**

**Film showing**

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#### AN-01 ♦ Contemporary Uyghur Society: Tradition and Transformation

*Location:* HUB 145

*Chair:* Arienne M. Dwyer (University of Kansas; anthlinguist@ku.edu)

*Discussant:* David W. Montgomery (University of Maryland; montgomery@cedarnetwork.org)

Rune Steenburg-Reyhe (Columbia University; rune\_s\_r@yahoo.dk)

**“Star Preachers and Debated Dance in Southern Xinjiang, 2010-2013”**

Darren Byler (University of Washington, Seattle; dbyler@uw.edu)

**“The Rise of Uyghur Piety”**

Aynur Kadir (Simon Fraser University; akadir@sfu.ca)

**“Moral Quandaries of Uyghur Youth: Social Media Memes and the Changing Morality of Uyghurness”**

#### CU-01 ♦ The Cultures and Languages of the Caucasus

*Location:* HUB 238

*Chair:* Malkhaz Saldadze (University of Washington; Malkhaz.Saldadze@ge.boell.org)

*Discussant:* John Colarusso (McMaster University; colarusso@mcmaster.ca)

Revaz Abashia (Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University; revazabashia@yahoo.com)

**“Reconstructing the Sibilant Spirants and Affricates of the Kartvelian Proto-language”**

Alexandra Yatsyk (Institute of Human Sciences, Vienna; ayatsyk@gmail.com)

**“Security in the South Caucasus: Russia and Turkey in Adjara and Abkhazia”**

Ia Grigalashvili (Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University; ia.grigalashvili@tsu.ge)

**“Early Christian Liturgical Practice in the Martyrdom of the Nine Children from Kola”**

#### EN-01 ♦ Energy and Ecology

*Location:* HUB 337

*Chair:* Bert Cramer (Independent Scholar, bert.cramer@gmail.com)

*Discussant:* Amanda Wooden (Bucknell University; amanda.wooden@bucknell.edu)

Alyssa Meyer (Indiana University, Bloomington; meyeraly@gmail.com)

**“Climate Change Impacts on Long-Term Energy Access: Looking Toward Solutions”**

Murodbek Laldjebaev (University of Central Asia; murodbek.laldjebaev@ucentralasia.org)

**“Assessment of Energy Poverty in Rural Communities of Khatlon Region, Tajikistan”**

Jeanene Mitchell (University of Washington, Seattle; jmm2170@uw.edu)

**“Brokering the Local: Civil Society Participation in River Management in Azerbaijan”**

Zhyldyz Doolbekova (The Christensen Fund Central Asia; jyldyz.bekbolot@gmail.com)

**“Traditional ecological knowledge and practices of ethnic Kyrgyz of the Eastern Pamir in ethno-toponyms”**

**HI-01 ♦ Nomads and Empire: New Perspectives on Central Asian Encounters with Imperial States and Spaces**

*Location:* HUB 332

*Chair:* Eric **Johnson** (University of Washington, Seattle; ej.redmond@gmail.com)

*Discussant:* Virginia **Martin** (University of Wisconsin-Madison; virginiamartin@tds.net)

Joo-Yup **Lee** (University of Toronto; jooyup.lee@utoronto.ca)

**“The Frontier Spaces in the Qipchaq Steppe and the Kazakhs during the Post-Mongol Period”**

Takahiro **Onuma** (Tohoku Gakuin University; onuma425@mail.tohoku-gakuin.ac.jp)

**“Dispatch of the Nusan Mission: The Negotiations between Qing and Ablay in 1757”**

Jipar **Duishembieva** (Evergreen State College; jipard@hotmail.com)

**“Let Our People Get on with Their Lives: Threading the Needle Between the Qing and Kokand in Turbulent Times”**

**HI-16 ♦ 19th and Early 20th Century History**

*Location:* HUB 334

*Chair:* Marianne **Kamp** (Indiana University, Bloomington; kamp@indiana.edu)

*Discussant:* Marianne **Kamp** (Indiana University, Bloomington; kamp@indiana.edu)

Bakhtiyor **Alimdjano**v (University of Saint Petesburg; felix\_1985@mail.ru)

**“Between Disregard and Control of Islam: Activities of V. P. Nalivkin as the 3rd Inspector of Educational Institutions of Turkestan (1889-1896)”**

Aminat **Chokobaeva** (Australian National University; aminat.chokobaeva@anu.edu.au)

**“A Small War: The Uprising of 1916 in Semirechie”**

Darima **Amogolonova** (Institute for Mongolian, Buddhist and Tibetan Studies, Siberian Branch, Russian Academy of Sciences; amog@inbox.ru)

**“Religion - State - Society: Buddhism in Late-Imperial Russia”**

**LA-01 ♦ Legality in Russia and Central Asia**

*Location:* HUB 340

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*Discussant:* Diana **Kudaibergenova** (University of Lund / University of Cambridge; dk406@cam.ac.uk)

Natalia **Alenkina** (American University of Central Asia; alenkina\_n@mail.ru) and Aigerim **Azimova**

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**“Access to Justice? Impact on Non-Governmental Courts: The Aksakal Courts Example”**

Stephen **Chaudoin** (University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign; stephen.chaudoin@gmail.com) and

Terrence **Chapman** (University of Texas, Austin; t.chapman@austin.utexas.edu)

**“Contingent Public Support for International Legal Institutions: Evidence from a Survey Experiment in Kyrgyzstan”**

Nazim **Ziyadov** (Antalya International University; nziyadov@gmail.com)

**“Russian Constitutionalism and International Law: Comparing Judicial Interpretation Techniques”**

Aisulu **Raspayeva** (Georgetown University; asr70@georgetown.edu)

**“Interplay of professional caution and culture: How Kazakh and Russian meeting chairs criticize and direct”**

**SO-01 ♦ Informal Practices in the Education and Healthcare Sectors in Post-Communist States: Causes, Mechanisms, and Implications**

*Location:* HUB 307

*Chair:* Stanley **Currier** (IREX, Washington, DC; scurrier@irex.org)

*Discussant:* Zhibek **Tleshova** (Academy of Public Administration under the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan; elzhib@yahoo.com)

Olena **Levenets** (Tallinn University of Technology; olenkalevenets@gmail.com)

**“Informal Practices in Healthcare: Case of Ukraine”**

Dina **Sharipova** (KIMEP University; dina.sharipova@kimep.kz)

**“Informal Exchanges in Higher and Secondary Education in Kazakhstan”**

Natsuko **Oka** (Institute of Developing Economies, Japan External Trade Organization; na2koka@gmail.com)

**“Grades and Degrees for Sale: Informal Exchanges in Kazakhstan’s Education Sector”**

Alan **DeYoung** (University of Kentucky; aldeyoung@gmail.com)

**“Teaching and Research in the Republic of Turkmenistan: Negotiating with the Sponsors?”**

**Session 2 ♦ Thurs., Oct. 5, 16:15-18:00**

**HI-03 ♦ Source Analysis for the Mongol Empire**

*Location:* HUB 332

*Chair:* Timothy **May** (University of North Georgia; timothy.may@ung.edu)

*Discussant:* Daniel **Waugh** (University of Washington, Seattle; dwaugh@u.washington.edu)

Paul **Buell** (University of Salzburg; qasqyrbuell@gmail.com)

**“Arabic Medicine in the Mongol World: Huihui Yaofang , Muslim Medicinal Recipes”**

Christopher **Eirkson** (University of Pittsburgh; cee18@pitt.edu)

**“Diplomatic Correspondence in the Song-Yuan-Ming Transition, 1000-1425 CE”**

**IR-01 ♦ Environmental Preservation in Central Asia: The Ili River-Lake Balkhash Ecosystem as a Case Study**

*Location:* HUB 145

*Chair:* Maigul **Nugmanova** (Kazakh Ablai Khan University; maigulnugmanova@yahoo.com)

*Discussant:* Uli **Schamiloglu** (Nazarbayev University; uschamil@wisc.edu)

Steve **Pueppke** (Michigan State University; pueppke@msu.edu)

**“A Systems Framework for Facing the Challenge of Water, Energy, and Food in the Ili River-Lake Balkhash Ecosystem”**

Sabir **Nurtazin** (Al-Farabi Kazakh National University; sabyr.nurtazin@kaznu.kz)

**“The Challenge of Providing Southeastern Kazakhstan with Quality Drinking Water”**

Fatima **Kukeeva** (Al-Farabi Kazakh National University; fturar@mail.ru)

**“The Ili River: Is It a ‘Casualty’ of Kazakhstan’s Complicated Relationship with China”**

Norman **Graham** (Michigan State University; ngraham@msu.edu)

**“The Sustainability of Fisheries in the Ili Delta-Lake Balkhash Region”**

**LI-01 ♦ Caucasian Languages**

*Location:* HUB 238

*Chair:* Mary **Childs** (University of Washington, Seattle; mchilds@u.washington.edu)

*Discussant:* Revaz **Abashia** (Ivane Javakishvili Tbilisi State University; revazabashia@yahoo.com)

John **Colarusso** (McMaster University; colaruss@mcmaster.ca)

**“The Vertical Vowel Systems of North West Caucasian”**

Bert **Beynen** (Temple University; kesaphela@aol.com)

**“The Semantic Distinctive Features of the Georgian Verbal Infix -am-”**

Maia **Tsitsvidze** (Institute of Caucasiology, Ivane Javakishvili State University; caucasiology@gmail.com)

**“The Language and Culture of the Georgian-Avar Inscriptions”**

**PO-01 ♦ Mongolia’s Engagement in Central Eurasia: Geopolitics, Energy, Transportation and Natural Resources**

*Location:* HUB 340

*Chair:* Robert **Bedeski** (University of Victoria, Canada; University of Washington; rbedeski@uvic.ca)

*Discussant:* Alisia **Campi** (The Mongolia Society; monsocacampi@gmail.com)

Mendee **Jargalsaikhan** (University British Columbia; mendee@alumni.ubc.ca)

**“Mongolia and Kyrgyzstan in Renewed Geopolitical Settings”**

Marissa **Smith** (De Anza College; marissas23@gmail.com)

**“Three Projects of One Belt One Road’s Mongolia/Russia/China Economic Corridor and Three Bilateral Relationships”**

Julian **Dierkes** (University British Columbia; julian.dierkes@ubc.ca)

**“The Variety of Governance Models in Mongolia’s Resource Industry”**

**SC-02 ♦ Roundtable: Bridging Central Asian and Caucasus Area Studies (Part Two)**

*Location:* HUB 334

*Chair:* Timothy **Blauvelt** (American Councils / Ilia State University; timothy.blauvelt@iliauni.edu.ge)

John **Schoeberlein** (Nazarbayev University; john.schoeberlein@nu.edu.kz)

Jeff **Sahadeo** (Carleton University; jeffsahadeo@cunet.carleton.ca)

Jeremy **Johnson** (University of Michigan; jeremypj@umich.edu)

Jesse **Driscoll** (University of California, San Diego; jdriscoll@ucsd.edu)

Amanda **Wooden** (Bucknell University; aw021@bucknell.edu)

**SO-02 ♦ Islamic Practices and Entrepreneurship in Russia**

*Location:* HUB 307

*Chair:* Liliya **Karimova** (George Washington University; liliyakarimova@gmail.com)

*Discussant:* Rahimjon **Abdugafurov** (Emory University; ruabdugafurov@gmail.com)

Rano **Turaeva** (Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology; r.turaeva@gmail.com)

**“Islam and Entrepreneurship in Russia: Women’s Networks in Mosques in Moscow”**

Izzat **Aman** (Independent Scholar; izzataman@mail.ru)

**“Halal Businesses of Muslims in Russia”**

**Session 3 ♦ Fri., Oct. 6, 8:45-10:30**

**AN-03 ♦ Burial Traditions and Cultural Identity in Central Asia**

*Location:* HUB 145

*Chair:* Cyrus **Rodgers** (University of Washington, Seattle; cyrusr@uw.edu)

*Discussant:* Jennifer **Webster** (University of Washington, Seattle; jenniweb@uw.edu)

Chorshanbe **Goibnazarov** (University of Central Asia; chorshanbe.ghoibnazarov@ucentralasia.org)

**“Music and Funeral Ceremonies in Badakhshan, Tajikistan”**

Guldana **Salimjan** (Institute for Gender, Race, Sexuality, and Social Justice, University of British Columbia; guldanasalimjan@gmail.com)

**“Sounding Kinship and Land: Lament as Ritual of Intergenerational Bonding in Northern Xinjiang”**

Margaret **Morton** (School of Art, The Cooper Union; mortonnyc@gmail.com)

**“Cities of the Dead: The Ancestral Cemeteries of Kyrgyzstan”**

**CU-02 ♦ Religious Identity and Cultural Practices in Tajikistan and the Kyrgyz Republic**

*Location:* HUB 340

*Chair:* Zulfiya **Bakhtibekova** (University of Central Asia; z.bakhtibekova@gmail.com)

*Discussant:* Jon **Mahoney** (Kansas State University; jmahoney@ksu.edu)

Vincent **Artman** (Wayne State; vartman@gmail.com)

**“My Poor Nation, Where Are You Going? Theologies of Nationhood in Kyrgyzstan”**

Jamilya **Anderson** (Kansas State University; jamilya@ksu.edu)

**“Non-Consensual Bride Kidnapping in the Kyrgyz Republic”**

Benjamin **Ale-Ebrahim** (Indiana University, Bloomington; benalebrahim@gmail.com)

**“Islamic Digital Media in Tajikistan: A Changing Religious Public Sphere”**

**ED-01 ♦ Post-Independence Higher Education in Kazakhstan: Realities and Perspectives**

*Location:* HUB 337

*Chair:* Judith **Parker** (Teachers College, Columbia University, New York; jkp2001@tc.columbia.edu)

*Discussant:* Mikhail **Akulov** (Kazakh-British Technical University, Almaty; akulov@post.harvard.edu)

Bayan **Yesperova** (Kazakh National Agrarian University, Almaty; yesperova@gmail.com)

**“Agriculture Education as a New Trend of Kazakhstan’s Sustainable Development”**

Stanley **Currier** (IREX, Washington, DC; scurrier@irex.org)

**“Workforce Development in Kazakhstan: The Role of University Career Centers”**

Gainiya **Tazhina** (University of International Business, Almaty; tazhina\_g@yahoo.com)

**“Distance Learning in Kazakhstan: Challenges and Opportunities”**

Fatima **Duisebayeva** (Kazakh National Agrarian University, Almaty; fatimad2004@mail.ru)

**“Multilingual Education in Kazakhstan: New Economic and Employment Opportunities”**

**HI-05 ♦ Central Asian Oral Histories: Everyday Life, Identities, and Nostalgia**

*Location:* HUB 332

*Chair:* Zukhra **Kasimova** (The University of Illinois at Chicago; zkasm2@uic.edu)

*Discussant:* Jeff **Sahadeo** (Carleton University; jeff.sahadeo@carleton.ca)

Adrienne **Edgar** (University of California, Santa Barbara; edgar@history.ucsb.edu)

**“Akbot or Svetlana? Names and Naming in Mixed Families in Soviet Central Asia, 1945-1991”**

Ali **Igmen** (California State University, Long Beach; igmen@csulb.edu)

**“Selective Memories of the Late Twentieth-Century Soviet Theatre”**

Marianne **Kamp** (Indiana University, Bloomington; mkamp@indiana.edu)

**“Potatoes, Canals, and Schools: Incremental Transformations of Daily Life on the Kolkhoz in Uzbekistan”**

**LI-02 ♦ Cultural Contact and Diachronic Change in Turkic Languages**

*Location:* HUB 238

*Chair:* Talant **Mawkanuli** (University of Washington, Seattle; tmawkan@uw.edu)

*Discussant:* Uli **Schamiloglu** (Nazarbayev University; uschamil@wisc.edu)

Jonathan North **Washington** (Swarthmore College; jonathan.washington@swarthmore.edu) and

Christopher P. **Atwood** (University of Pennsylvania; catwood@sas.upenn.edu)

**“The Relation of Some Yuan-era Turkic Words to the Siberian Sibilant Shift”**

Arienne M. **Dwyer** (University of Kansas; anthlinguist@ku.edu) and Akbar **Amat** (University of Kansas; akbar.amat@ku.edu)

**“Defining the End of Chaghatay and the Beginning of Its Modern Descendants”**

**PO-02 ♦ Innovations as the Instruments of Increasing Public Welfare**

*Location:* HUB 214

*Chair:* Merim **Koichueva** (Eastern University Mahmud Kashgar Barskani; mkoichueva@gmail.com)

*Discussant:* Aigul **Kulmatova** (Academy of Public Administration under President of the Kyrgyz Republic; kulmatovaaigul7@gmail.com)

Maral **Sagynalieva** (Open Innovations Research Community; maral.sagynalieva@gmail.com)

**“Impacts of Innovations on Public Sector of the Kyrgyz Republic”**

Aigul **Zhusupbaeva** (Ecological Movement ‘Aleyne Plus’; jaigul@gmail.com)

**“Innovative Discipline in Favor of Environmental Solutions”**

Asel **Abubakirova** (The Scientific and Educational Society for Cultural Studies, Academy of Public Administration under President of the Kyrgyz Republic; asela@mail.ru)

**“Innovations in the Modern Culture of Kyrgyzstan”**

Ailuna **Shamurzaeva** (International Ataturk-Alatoo University; ailuna.shamurzaeva@yandex.ru)

**“Innovations in Migration Regulation in the Kyrgyz Republic”**

**PO-03 ♦ Roundtable: Tamerlane Revisited: The New Edition of ‘In the Tracks of Tamerlane’**

*Location:* HUB 334

*Chair:* Daniel **Burghart** (National Intelligence University; dlburgh@gmail.com)

Theresa **Sabonis-Helf** (National Defense University; tsabonis@verison.net)

Marlene **Laruelle** (George Washington University; laruelle@gwu.edu)

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Stacie **Giles** (Adjunct Instructor, Virginia Commonwealth University; stacieg987@gmail.com)  
Bruce **Pannier** (Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty; pannierb@rferl.org)

**SO-03 ♦ Roundtable: Socio-political Activism in Central Asia: Gender, Nationalism, and Neoliberalism**

*Location:* HUB 307

*Chair:* Svetlana **Peshkova** (University of New Hampshire; s.peshkova@unh.edu)  
Selbi **Jumayeva** (Bishkek Feminist Initiatives; selbi.djumayeva@gmail.com)  
Samuel **Buelow** (Indiana University, Bloomington; srbuelow@umail.iu.edu)  
Yelena V. **Muzykina** (Al-Farabi Kazakh National University; m\_yelena73@mail.ru)  
Joanna **Pares Hoare** (Amnesty International; joanna.j.p.hoare@gmail.com)

**Session 4 ♦ Session 4: Fri., Oct. 6, 10:45-12:30**

**AN-02 ♦ Problems of Religious Identities in Central Asia in the Context of Globalization**

*Location:* HUB 238

*Chair:* Leila **Almazova** (Kazan Federal University; leilaalmazova@gmail.com)  
*Discussant:* Emil **Dzhuraev** (American University of Central Asia; dzhuraev\_e@auca.kg)  
Zhibek **Syzydykova** (Institute of Asian and African Studies, Moscow State University; ccca@iaas.msu.ru)  
“**Key Aspects of the Kazakh Religious Identity**”  
Daria **Zhigulskaya** (Institute of Asian and African Studies, Moscow State University; daria.zhigulskaya@rambler.ru)  
“**Globalization and New Forms of Religiosity (An Islamic Perspective from Central Asia)**”  
Anastasiya **Ganich** (Institute of Asian and African Studies, Moscow State University; astganich@gmail.com)  
“**The Pilgrimage to the Mausoleum of Khoja Ahmed Yasavi as an Element of Social and Cultural Life of the Kazakhs**”  
Jamal **Rakhaev** (Institute of Russian History, Russian Academy of Sciences; jamal\_rv@mail.ru)  
“**National and Religious Identity of the North Caucasus Mountaineers during the Deportation to Central Asia (1943-1944)**”

**AN-04 ♦ Exploring Unaddressed Facets of Gender-based Violence in Central Asia: Economic and Political Participation, Societal Stigmatization and Mental Health**

*Location:* HUB 145

*Chair:* Elena **Kim** (American University of Central Asia; kim\_el@auca.kg)  
*Discussant:* Lori **Handrahan** (Independent Consultant; lorihandrahan5@gmail.com)  
Nurgul **Ukueva** (American University of Central Asia; ukueva\_n@auca.kg)  
“**Gender and Self-employment: The Effect of Marriage, Children and Household Living Arrangements in Kyrgyzstan**”  
Mirgul **Karimova** (Search for Common Ground; mkarimova@sfcg.org)  
“**Lack of Women’s Political Participation in Kyrgyzstan Due to Societal Expectations**”

Elena **Molchanova** (Republican Center of Mental Health of the Kyrgyz Republic; emolchanova2009@gmail.com)

**“Mental Health Consequences of Gender-Based-Violence in the Kyrgyz Republic”**

Olha **Yarova** (Institute for Behavioral Science and Research; o.yarova@gmail.com)

**“Mothering a Special Child in Kyrgyzstan: Experience Shaped by Traditional Gender Roles”**

**AN-07 ♦ Workshop: The Piety and Radicalization Thesis: Anthropologists on Political Analysis of Islam**

**Location:** HUB 214

*Chair:* John **Schoeberlein** (Nazarbayev University; johnschoeberlein@gmail.com)

Liliya **Karimova** (George Washington University; liliyakarimova@gmail.com)

Mukaram **Toktogulova** (American University of Central Asia; mucaramt@yahoo.com)

Helene **Thibault** (Nazarbayev University; helene.thibault@nu.edu.kz)

Nazif **Shahrani** (Indiana University, Bloomington; shahrani@indiana.edu)

David W. **Montgomery** (University of Maryland; montgomery@cedarnetwork.org)

**CU-06 ♦ Music and Folklore in Central Eurasia**

**Location:** HUB 340

*Chair:* Dana **Sherry** (Silk Road House; dlsherry@hotmail.com)

*Discussant:* Laada **Bilaniuk** (University of Washington, Seattle; bilaniuk@uw.edu)

Robert **Beahrs** (University of Pittsburgh; robert.beahrs@gmail.com)

**“Nomadic Perspectives on Envoicement in the Sayan-Altai Mountains”**

Eunkyung **Oh** (Dongduk Women’s University; euphra33@hanmail.net)

**“An Integrated Study on Performance Art and Storytelling Meistersingers Tradition from Pansori Performers to Eurasian Turkic Epic Singers”**

Meiramgul **Kussainova** (Nazarbayev University; mkussainova@nu.edu.kz)

**“Soviet Kazakh Music”**

**HI-06 ♦ Administration and Politics in the Mongol Empire**

**Location:** HUB 332

*Chair:* Daniel **Waugh** (University of Washington, Seattle; dwaugh@u.washington.edu)

*Discussant:* Timothy **May** (University of North Georgia; timothy.may@ung.edu)

Jesse **Sloane** (Yonsei University; sloanej@yonsei.ac.kr)

**“Balancing Qa’ans and Warlords in the Promotion of Religious Confucianism in 13th Century North China”**

Anne **Broadbridge** (University of Massachusetts-Amherst; broadbridge@history.umass.edu)

**“The Linked Deaths of Grand Khan Gedei and His Sister, Al Altan, Queen of the Uighurs: What Explanations Can Be Found?”**

Michael **Hope** (Yonsei University; y1002029@yonsei.ac.kr)

**“From Herat to Haleb: A Comparative Analysis of Population Displacement and Urban Revival After the Mongol Conquests”**

Michael **Brose** (University of Wyoming; mbrose@uwyo.edu)

**“Personnel and Policy in the Yuan Southern Censorate Bureau”**



### HI-17 ♦ Historical Change in Turkestan

*Location:* HUB 337

*Chair:* Douglas **Northrop** (University of Michigan; northrop@umich.edu)

*Discussant:* Ian **Campbell** (University of California, Davis; iwcampbell@ucdavis.edu)

Zhanat **Kundakbayeva** (Al-Farabi Kazakh National University; janbekkun@mail.ru)

**“Bolsheviks’ Interference into the Intimate Daily Lives of Kazakh Women, 1920-1930: Duel between Soviet Transformation and Tradition”**

Bakhodir **Pasilov** (Institute of Oriental Studies, Uzbekistan Academy of Sciences; bpasilov09@yahoo.com)

**“Ethno-political Processes in Turkestan, Bukhara and Khorezm in 1917-1924”**

Taylor **Zajicek** (Princeton University; zajicek@princeton.edu)

**“A Natural Disaster History: Earthquakes, Science, and Empire in Late 19th Century Turkestan”**

Khushnudbek **Abdurasulov** (Institute of Oriental Studies, Uzbekistan Academy of Sciences;

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**“New Faces in the Markets of Russian Turkestan: Polizmeisters and Veterinarians as Colonial Agents”**

### PO-04 ♦ Fieldwork in Challenging Settings

*Location:* HUB 334

*Chair:* Timothy **Blauvelt** (American Councils / Ilia State University; timothy.blauvelt@iliauni.edu.ge)

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### SO-04 ♦ Gender, Migration and Patriarchy

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Zulfiya **Bakhtibekova** (University of Central Asia; z.bakhtibekova@gmail.com)

**“Who Is the Head of the Household? Women as Guardians of Patriarchy in Tajikistan”**

Cholpon **Turdaliev** (American University of Central Asia; turdalieva@gmail.com)

**“Gendered Mobility and ‘Transport Social Exclusion’ in Bishkek”**

Nodira **Kholmatova** (European University Institute in Florence; nodira.kholmatova@eui.eu)

**“Changing the Face of Labor Migration? The Feminization of Labor Migration from Tajikistan to Russia”**

### Session 5 ♦ Fri., Oct. 6, 14:15-16:00

#### AN-05 ♦ Gender, Environment, and International Development

*Location:* HUB 145

*Chair:* Emil **Nasritdinov** (American University of Central Asia; emilzn@gmail.com)

*Discussant:* Helge **Blakkisrud** (Norwegian Institute of International Affairs; hb@nupi.no)

Asel **Myrzabekova** (Bonn International Center for Convention; aselyam@gmail.com)  
“**Agricultural Knowledge Transfer in Rural Kyrgyzstan: Implications for Empowerment**”  
Karina **Standal** (University of Oslo; karina.standal@sum.uio.no)  
“**Where Did All the Women Go? Corporate Ambitions and Gender Focus in Public Private Partnerships for Energy Development**”  
Elena **Kim** (American University of Central Asia; kim\_el@auca.kg)  
“**How Development ‘Misses’ Women: Water Management in Uzbekistan**”  
Altyn **Kapalova** (Mountain Societies Research Institute, University of Central Asia; altyn.kapalova@gmail.com)  
“**Water Resources Management in Kyrgyz Mountain Communities: Informal Communications and the Role of Women**”

#### **CU-04 ♦ Bacha and Beyond: Crossdressing and Gender Diversity in Central Asia**

*Location:* HUB 337

*Chair:* Guldana **Salimjan** (Institute for Gender, Race, Sexuality, and Social Justice, University of British Columbia; guldanasalimjan@gmail.com)

*Discussant:* Svetlana **Peshkova** (University of New Hampshire; s.peshkova@unh.edu)

Bradley **Horst** (University of Washington, Seattle; bthorst@uw.edu)

“**The Ethnographic Encounter in the East: Russian Colonial Knowledge and the Gendering of Bacha, 1870-1920**”

Jennifer **Wilson** (University of Pennsylvania; jennwil@sas.penn.edu)

“**Queer Tashkent, Queer Harlem: Langston Hughes’ ‘The Boy Dancers of Uzbekistan’**”

Samuel **Buelow** (Indiana University, Bloomington; srbuelow@umail.iu.edu)

“**Crossdressers and Conchitas: Differing Approaches to Men’s Femininity in Kyrgyzstan 2014**”

#### **CU-05 ♦ Tourism in the Caucasus: Trends and Challenges**

*Location:* HUB 214

*Chair:* Bert **Beynen** (Temple University; kesaphela@aol.com)

*Discussant:* Veronica **Muskheli** (University of Washington, Seattle; nika@u.washington.edu)

Michael **Long** (Baylor University; michael\_long@baylor.edu) and Sara **Alexander** (Baylor University; Sara\_Alexander@baylor.edu)

“**Tourism Development in Georgia: Priorities, Possibilities, and Vulnerabilities**”

Mary **Childs** (University of Washington, Seattle; mchilds@u.washington.edu)

“**Of Birders and Botanists: Eco-Tourism in Georgia**”

Julie **Christensen** (George Mason University; jchrste@gmu.edu)

“**The Role of Film and Media in the ‘Struggle for Gagra’**”

#### **HI-07 ♦ Voices from the Steppe: Linguistic and Historical Explorations of the 18th and Early-19th Centuries**

*Location:* HUB 340

*Chair:* Jipar **Duishembieva** (Evergreen State College; jipard@hotmail.com)

*Discussant:* Takahiro **Onuma** (Tohoku Gakuin University; onuma425@mail.tohoku-gakuin.ac.jp)

Eric **Johnson** (University of Washington, Seattle; ej.redmond@gmail.com)  
“Navigating the Scylla of Empire and the Charybdis of Tribal Politics: Nurali and the Younger Horde, 1748- 1786”

Virginia **Martin** (University of Wisconsin-Madison; virginiamartin@tds.net)  
“Kazak Elites and the Power of Written Communication in the 1820s-1830s”

Talant **Mawkanuli** (University of Washington, Seattle; tmawkan@uw.edu)  
“A Linguistic Analysis of Kazak Correspondence of the 18th and 19th Centuries”

#### **HI-09 ♦ Alphabet Soup: The Politics of Orthography in Late-Imperial and Soviet Eurasia**

*Location:* HUB 238

*Chair:* Ian **Campbell** (University of California, Davis; iwcampbell@ucdavis.edu)

*Discussant:* Laada **Bilaniuk** (University of Washington, Seattle; bilaniuk@uw.edu)

Daniel **Schafer** (Belmont University; daniel.schafer@belmont.edu)

“Reform, Revolution, and Crisis in Tatar Orthography, 1870-1970”

Rebekah **Ramsay** (Emory University; rebekah.ramsay@emory.edu)

“A Revolutionary Alphabet for the Masses: Latinization and the Localization of Eastern Modernity in Kazakhstan, 1925-1935”

Jeremy **Johnson** (University of Michigan; jeremypj@umich.edu)

“A Georgian Script for the Friendship of Peoples: Orthographies of National Chauvinism in Soviet Georgia”

Anna **Whittington** (University of Michigan; annawhit@umich.edu)

“Between Russification and Friendship: Cyrillization in Stalinist Central Asia”

#### **LI-03 ♦ Language Teaching and Attitudes**

*Location:* HUB 307

*Chair:* Karlyga **Myssayeva** (Al-Farabi Kazakh National University; myssayeva.kn@gmail.com)

*Discussant:* Timothy **Blauvelt** (American Councils / Ilia State University; timothy.blauvelt@iliauni.edu.ge)

Malik **Hodjaev** (Indiana University, Bloomington; mhodjaev@indiana.edu)

“Prospects of Teaching Uzbek Language Online”

Jukka **Pietilainen** (University of Helsinki; jukka.pietilainen@helsinki.fi)

“Language Skills and Attitudes towards Foreign Countries in Kazakhstan”

Zhibek **Tleshova** (Academy of Public Administration under the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan; elzhib@yahoo.com) and Gulbakhyt **Menlibekova** (L. N. Gumilyov Eurasian National University)

“ESL as One of the Languages in Implementing Multilingual Education Policy: Context of Kazakhstani Higher Education”

#### **PO-05 ♦ CESS Book Prize Author-Critic Forum: Jesse Driscoll's 'Warlords and Coalition Politics in Post-Soviet States'**

*Location:* HUB 334

*Chair:* Bradley **Murg** (Seattle Pacific University; murgb@spu.edu)

Jennifer **Murtazashvili** (University of Pittsburgh; jmurtaz@pitt.edu)

Suzanne **Levi-Sanchez** (United States Naval War College; sule.sanchez@gmail.com)

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Jesse **Driscoll** (University of California, San Diego; jesse.driscoll@gmail.com)

**Session 6 ♦ Sat., Oct. 7, 8:45-10:30**

**AN-06 ♦ Xinjiang in Central Asia: Cultural and Geographical Linkages**

*Location:* Denny 112

*Chair:* James **Millward** (Georgetown University; millwarj@georgetown.edu)

*Discussant:* Darren **Byler** (University of Washington, Seattle; dtbyler@gmail.com)

Arienne M. **Dwyer** (University of Kansas; anthlinguist@ku.edu)

**“The Fungus that Overtook Oral Literature: Scald-heads (Taz)”**

Joanne **Smith Finley** (Newcastle University; j.smithfinley@ncl.ac.uk) and Sarah **Tynen** (University of Colorado, Boulder; sarah.tynen@colorado.edu)

**“Guarding Purity and Halal Spaces in the Xinjiang Uyghur Autonomous Region, China”**

Stanley **Toops** (Miami University; toopssw@miamioh.edu)

**“Trade and Linkages on the New Silk Road: China, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyz Republic, and Pakistan”**

**CU-07 ♦ The Rider, the Storyteller, and the Shaman: Women and Oral Traditions in Central Asia and the Caucasus**

*Location:* Denny 110

*Chair:* Mary **Childs** (University of Washington, Seattle; mchilds@u.washington.edu)

*Discussant:* Guntis **Smidchens** (University of Washington, Seattle; guntiss@uw.edu)

Veronica **Muskheli** (University of Washington, Seattle; nika@u.washington.edu)

**“Her Horse: A Proto-Feminist Central Asian Wonder Tale Unknown in the West”**

Dana **Sherry** (Silk Road House; dlsherry@hotmail.com)

**“Folk Feminism?: Power, Lust, and Violence in Folktales Told by Women”**

Kira **van Deusen** (Independent Scholar; kiravan@shaw.ca)

**“Life and Death: A Tuvan Shaman in Fact and Fiction”**

**HI-08 ♦ The Qing Empire between China and Central Asia**

*Location:* Denny 211

*Chair:* Jonathan **Lipman** (Mt. Holyoke College; jlipman@mtholyoke.edu)

*Discussant:* Jonathan **Lipman** (Mt. Holyoke College; jlipman@mtholyoke.edu)

Matthew **Mosca** (University of Washington, Seattle; mosca@uw.edu)

**“Mystery of the Missing Country?: Persia in Qing Geographic Scholarship in the 18th Century”**

Noriko **Unno-Yamazaki** (Japan Society for the Promotion of Sciences; nur92kippis@gmail.com)

**“The Cultural and Political Activities of Russian Muslim Intellectuals in Early 20th-Century China”**

Eric **Schluessel** (University of Montana; eric.schluessel@umontana.edu)

**“Islamic Interpretations of the Chinese Rites in Late-Qing Xinjiang”**

**HI-10 ♦ Between Resistance and Accommodation: Muslim Tatars and the Russian Imperial State, 1800-1914**

*Location:* Denny 210

*Chair:* Elena **Campbell** (University of Washington, Seattle; eicampb@uw.edu)

*Discussant:* Ian **Campbell** (University of California, Davis; iwcampbell@ucdavis.edu)

Kelly A. **O'Neill** (Harvard University; koneill@fas.harvard.edu)

**“Shipbuilders, Shepherds, and the Politics of Nature in 19th Century Crimea”**

Stefan B. **Kirmse** (Leibniz-Zentrum Moderner Orient (ZMO), Berlin, Germany; stefan.kirmse@zmo.de)

**“In Defense of Land and Faith: Rebellious Tatars Encountering State Officials in Late Nineteenth-Century Crimea and Kazan”**

Norihiro **Naganawa** (Slavic-Eurasian Research Center, Hokkaido University, Japan; luch@slav.hokudai.ac.jp)

**“Mutinous Intermediaries? Muslim Chinovniki in the 1905 Revolution”**

**HI-11 ♦ Central Asia in the USSR**

*Location:* Denny 256

*Chair:* Ali **Igmen** (California State University, Long Beach; igmen@csulb.edu)

*Discussant:* Anna **Whittington** (University of Michigan; annawhit@umich.edu)

Didar **Kassymova** (KIMEP University; didar@kimep.kz) and Baurzhan **Zhanguttin** (Abay State University; arystan\_g@mail.ru)

**“Migrations Regulations during the Virgin Lands Campaign in Soviet Kazakhstan”**

Maria **Taylor** (University of Michigan; marianoh@umich.edu)

**“Designing Garden-Factories under Stalin: From Moscow to Tashkent”**

**PO-06 ♦ Author-Critic Forum: Regine Spector’s ‘Order at the Bazaar: Power and Trade in Central Asia’**

*Location:* Denny 259

*Chair:* Liliya **Karimova** (Kennan Institute / George Washington University)

Amanda **Wooden** (Bucknell University; amanda.wooden@bucknell.edu)

Emil **Dzhuraev** (American University of Central Asia; dzhuraev\_e@auca.kg)

Scott **Radnitz** (University of Washington, Seattle; srad@uw.edu)

Regine **Spector** (University of Massachusetts-Amherst; rspector@polsci.umass.edu)

**RE-01 ♦ Islam in Central Asia 1**

*Location:* Denny 313

*Chair:* Rahimjon **Abdugafurov** (Emory University; ruabdugafurov@gmail.com)

*Discussant:* John **Schoeberlein** (Nazarbayev University; johnschoeberlein@gmail.com)

Shahnoza **Madaeva** (National University of Uzbekistan; shahnoza.madaeva@yahoo.com) and Nargiza **Hidirova**

**“Islam, Power and Mechanisms of Formation of Religious Identity in Fergana Valley”**

Nazif **Shahrani** (Indiana University, Bloomington; shahrani@indiana.edu)

**“‘Wahhabi’ Narrations of the First Muslims in the Mid-1990s for Post-Soviet Central Asians”**

Paul **Kubicek** (Oakland University; kubicek@oakland.edu)  
“Islamist Political Orientations Among Central Asian Youth”

**RS-01 ♦ Afghanistan**

*Location:* Denny 213

*Chair:* Jennifer **Murtazashvili** (University of Pittsburgh; jmortaz@pitt.edu)

*Discussant:* Jennifer **Murtazashvili** (University of Pittsburgh; jmortaz@pitt.edu)

Lenny **Linke** (Independent Scholar; j.linke@gmail.com)

“Transiting in the Shadow? Trade, Economy and Traditions Across the Afghan-Pakistani Border”

Sayed Nooroddin **Alavi** (Kabul University; nooroddinalawi@gmail.com)

“Corruption in Afghanistan: Factors, Types and Consequences”

Christina **Sciabarra** (Bellevue College; christina.sciabarra@gmail.com) and Farzana **Hervey** (University of Arizona; farzanamarie@gmail.com)

“No Time for Love-Songs: Utilizing Contemporary Afghan Women’s Poetry to Understand Peacebuilding in Post-9/11 Afghanistan”

Bill **Mankins** (Indiana University, Bloomington; bmankins@indiana.edu)

“Epistemology, Intelligence, and Strategy in the US Armed Intervention in Afghanistan”

**SO-06 ♦ Migration**

*Location:* Denny 113

*Chair:* Michelle **O’Brien** (University of Washington, Seattle; shannml@uw.edu)

*Discussant:* Cholpon **Turdaliev**a (American University of Central Asia; turdaliev@gmail.com)

Jakhongir **Kakhkharov** (Griffith University; jkakhkharov@hotmail.com)

“Remittances and Financial Development in Transition Economies”

Bakhrom **Radjabov** (University of Tsukuba; b.radjabov@gmail.com)

“Social Remittances Created by Uzbek Students Studying in Kassel, Germany and Tsukuba, Japan: A Comparative Analysis”

Vasili **Rukhadze** (The Jamestown Foundation; vrukhadz@kent.edu)

“Mass Migration and Economic Crisis in the Caucasus and Central Asia: Which Starts First and How Do They Impact Each Other?”

Farrukh **Irnazarov** (Central Asian Development Institute; irfarrukh@yahoo.com)

“The Impact of Russian Re-entry Bans on Central Asian Labor Migrants’ Coping Strategies”

Canan **Cetin** (Yildirim Beyazit University; canatune@gmail.com)

“The Gravity Model of Migration Applied to Central Asia?”

**Session 7 ♦ Sat., Oct. 7, 10:45-12:30**

**CU-03 ♦ Nostalgia, Bilingualism and Identity in Eurasian Literature**

*Location:* Denny 112

*Chair:* Dana **Sherry** (Silk Road House; dlsherry@hotmail.com)

*Discussant:* Mary **Childs** (University of Washington, Seattle; mchilds@u.washington.edu)

Miglena **Dikova-Milanova** (University of Ghent; miglena.dikovamilanova@ugent.be)

“How to Deal with Nostalgia”

Azatkul **Kudaibergenova** (Independent Scholar; kdbrgnvazatkul8@gmail.com)

**“Creative Bilingualism of Chingiz Aitmatov”**

Dmitriy **Melnikov** (Nazarbayev University; dmitriy.melnikov@nu.edu.kz)

**“Writing as Identity: Narrating Imagined (Hi)Stories in Contemporary Kazakhstani Russophone Literature”**

#### **CU-08 ♦ Engagement, Authenticity and Gender in Eurasian Mountaineering**

*Location:* 110

*Chair:* Krista **Goff** (University of Miami; kgoff@miami.edu)

*Discussant:* Timothy **Blauvelt** (American Councils / Ilia State University; timothy.blauvelt@iliauni.edu.ge)

John P. **Hope** (Purdue University; hadjiabrek@yahoo.com)

**“Vot eto dlia muzhchin - riukzak i ledorub: Soviet Mountaineering, Popular Culture, and the Question of Gender”**

Ben **Bamberger** (University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign; benbamberger@gmail.com)

**“At the Center of the Periphery: Svaneti and the Meaning of Mountainous Space, 1925-1955”**

#### **CU-09 ♦ The Arts in Politics and Memory in Central Eurasia**

*Location:* Denny 111

*Chair:* Wumaier **Yilamu** (Independent Scholar; wumaier@hawaii.edu)

*Discussant:* Petya **Andreeva** (University of Pennsylvania; andreeva@sas.upenn.edu)

Monica **Steinberg** (University of Southern California; monicaleesteinberg@gmail.com)

**“Subtle Activism in Contemporary Azerbaijani Art”**

Alexey **Ulko** (Independent Scholar; alexulko@yahoo.co.uk)

**“Postcolonial Perspectives on Contemporary Esoteric Art in Uzbekistan”**

#### **GE-01 ♦ Geography Beyond the Nation**

*Location:* Denny 259

*Chair:* Douglas **Northrop** (University of Michigan; northrop@umich.edu)

*Discussant:* Christopher P. **Atwood** (University of Pennsylvania; catwood@sas.upenn.edu)

Eva-Marie **Dubuisson** (Bogazici University; emdubuisson@boun.edu.tr)

**“Exploring a Sacred Geography: Environmental Discourses in Kazakhstan”**

Amanda **Wooden** (Bucknell University; amanda.wooden@bucknell.edu)

**“Meanings of Glaciers, Mountains, and Mines in Kyrgyzstan’s Historical Context and Future Climate Change”**

Diana **Kudaibergenova** (University of Lund / University of Cambridge; dk406@cam.ac.uk)

**“My Silk Road to You: Re-imagining Routes, Roads, and Geography in Contemporary Art of Central Asia”**

### HI-12 ♦ Historical Diplomacy

*Location:* Denny 210

*Chair:* Ron Sela (Indiana University, Bloomington; rsela@indiana.edu)

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Aftandil Erkinov (Tashkent State University of the Uzbek language and literature named after Alisher Navoi; aftandilerkinov@gmail.com)

**“A Poetical Anthology Infused with the Geopolitical Design of the Kokand Khanate: The Muhabbat-Nama as a Diplomatic Gift from Umar-khan (1810-1822) to the Ottoman Sultan Mahmud II (1808-1839)”**

Hideyuki Naganuma (University of Tokyo; naganuma\_hide0630@yahoo.co.jp)

**“Russia’s Politics toward the Kazakh Khans in the Early 19th Century: ‘Divide et Impera’ Paradigm Revisited”**

Gulchekhra Sultonova (Institute of History, Uzbekistan Academy of Sciences; gulysulton@gmail.com)

**“A Dialog between Bukhara and Russia on Power Change in 18th Century: Analyzing Archival Documents of Russian Empire”**

### HI-13 ♦ Historiography

*Location:* Denny 256

*Chair:* Adeeb Khalid (Carleton College; akhalid@carleton.edu)

*Discussant:* Eric Schluessel (University of Montana; eric.schluessel@umontana.edu)

Yunus Emre Gurbuz (Kyrgyz-Turkish Manas University; fromemre@gmail.com)

**“Nationalization of the Historical Territory in Azerbaijan: The Impact of Nagorno-Karabakh Conflict on the Azerbaijani Historiography”**

Kwang Tae Lee (Indiana University, Bloomington; leekwa@indiana.edu)

**“Making a Villain in Bukhara: The Russian-Soviet Historiography on Amir Nasrullah (r. 1827-1860)”**

Ali Mohammad Tarafdari (National Library & Archives of I. R. of Iran; tarafdary@yahoo.com)

**“The Link between Archaeology and Nationalism in Iran: Archaeology Excavations and Nationalistic Historiography in Qajar Era”**

Helge Blakkisrud (Norwegian Institute of International Affairs; hb@nupi.no)

**“Anchoring the Nation in the Past: History Textbooks and Nation-building in Central Asia”**

### PO-08 ♦ Conflict in the Caucasus and Central Asia

*Location:* Denny 211

*Chair:* Rainer Ruge (Former EU Council Officer; rainerruge@yahoo.com)

*Discussant:* Michelle O’Brien (University of Washington, Seattle; shannml@uw.edu)

Grkem Atsungur (American University of Central Asia; gorkematsungur@yahoo.de)

**“Politics of Ethnic Mobilization: Ethnic Identity and External Kin: Russian Compatriots in Post-Soviet Kyrgyzstan and Kazakhstan”**

Qingming Huang (University of Florida; galiqm@ufl.edu)

**“Generational Gap and Ethnic Conflict in Xinjiang”**

Natia Jalabadze (Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University Javakhishvili Institute of History and Ethnology; natia\_jalabadze@posta.ge)

**“Interethnic Relations in the Borderlands: The Case of Georgia and North Ossetia -Alania”**



Emrullah **Uslu** (Virginia International University; euslu@viu.edu)

**“Caucasian, Central Asian-origin and Uyghur Militant Islamist Network in Turkey”**

**RE-02 ♦ Islam in Central Asia 2**

**Location:** Denny 258

**Chair:** Paul **Kubicek** (Oakland University; kubicek@oakland.edu)

**Discussant:** Nazif **Shahrani** (Indiana University, Bloomington; shahrani@indiana.edu)

Mukaram **Toktogulova** (American University of Central Asia; mucaramt@yahoo.com)

**“Religious Mobilities of Masturat (Female Tablighies) in Kyrgyzstan”**

Daria **Saprynskaya** (Moscow State University; saprynskayadv@gmail.com)

**“The Role of Islam in the Process of Oralman’s Social Adaptation in Kazakhstan”**

Charles **Weller** (Washington State University and Georgetown University; rc.weller@wsu.edu)

**“Abai and Islam in Soviet and Post-Soviet Perspective”**

**RE-03 ♦ Religion in the Caucasus**

**Location:** Denny 313

**Chair:** Ia **Grigalashvili** (Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University; ia.grigalashvili@tsu.ge)

**Discussant:** John **Colarusso** (McMaster University; colaruss@mcmaster.ca)

Kevin **Tuite** (Universite de Montreal; kj.tuite@umontreal.ca)

**“The Institutional and Popular Cults of the Military Saints in the Western Caucasus”**

Nino **Ghambashidze** (Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University Javakhishvili Institute of History and Ethnology; nino\_gambashidze1955@yahoo.com)

**“Forms of the Georgian Traditional Pilgrimage and the Modern Orthodox Autocephalous Church of Georgia”**

Lavrenti **Janiashvili** (Tbilisi State University / Ivane Javakhishvili Institute of History and Ethnology, Tbilisi; jlavrenti@yahoo.com)

**“Traditional Festivals against the Background of Ethno-demographic Transformations: Some Aspects of Georgian-Ossetian Relations in Kazbegi District”**

**RS-03 ♦ Kazakhstan 1: Journalism, Public Opinion and Protest**

**Location:** Denny 213

**Chair:** Nora **Webb Williams** (University of Washington, Seattle; norawebbwilliams@gmail.com)

**Discussant:** Alexander **Diener** (University of Kansas; diener@ku.edu)

Nazgul **Shyngyssova** (Al-Farabi Kazakh National University; nazgul\_71@mail.ru), Aliya **Boranbayeva** (Al-Farabi Kazakh National University; aliyabo@gmail.com) and Saida **Negizbayeva** (Narxoz University; saidanegiz@gmail.com)

**“Are We Living through a ‘Golden Age’ of Tabloid Journalism?”**

Galiya **Ibrayeva** (Al-Farabi Kazakh National University; galiya.ibrayeva@gmail.com)

**“Why Study Journalism: Perspectives of Future Kazakh Journalists”**

Barbara **Junisbai** (Pitzer College; barbara\_junisbai@pitzer.edu), Azamat **Junisbai** (Pitzer College; ajunisba@pitzer.edu) and Baurzhan **Zhusupov** (National Medical Academy; zhusupov.b@kaznmu.kz)

**“The Nazarbayev Generation and Public Opinion in Kazakhstan”**

Ajay Kumar **Patnaik** (Jawaharlal Nehru University; patnaik.ajay@gmail.com)  
“Causes and Nature of Protests in Kazakhstan”

#### SO-07 ♦ Social Media

*Location:* Denny 113

*Chair:* Svetlana **Torno** (Heidelberg University; swetlana.torno@asia-europe.uni-heidelberg.de)

*Discussant:* Gulnara **Medeubekova** (University of Toronto; gulnara.medeubekova@mail.utoronto.ca)

Inessa **Beloglazova** (Kazan Federal University; igbeloglazova@gmail.com)

“Citing the Quran on the Internet: Social Networks (On Material of Community Islam...”

Karlyga **Myssayeva** (Al-Farabi Kazakh National University; myssayeva.kn@gmail.com)

“The Impact of Social Media in Kazakhstan”

Katy **Pearce** (University of Washington, Seattle; kepearce@uw.edu), Jessica **Vitak** (University of Maryland) and Kristen **Barta** (University of Washington, Seattle)

“Socially Mediated Visibility: Friendship and Dissent in Authoritarian Azerbaijan”

Amita **Vempati** (Independent Scholar; amita.b.vempati@gmail.com)

“#tajik: Post-Soviet Nationalism, Curated Cosmopolitanism, and the Politics of Hashtag Use”

#### Session 8 ♦ Sat., Oct. 7, 14:15-16:00

#### AN-08 ♦ Values and Well-Being

*Location:* Denny 112

*Chair:* Katy **Pearce** (University of Washington, Seattle; kepearce@uw.edu)

*Discussant:* Balihar **Sanghera** (University of Kent; B.S.Sanghera@kent.ac.uk)

Corinne **Hughes** (Portland State University; cohughes@pdx.edu)

“Freedom, Capability, and Poverty: Conceptualizing Well-being in Post-Soviet Space”

Jildyz **Urbaeva** (State University of New York at Albany; zurbaeva@albany.edu), Ted **Jackson** (State University of New York at Albany; tfjackson@albany.edu) and Daejun **Park** (State University of New York at Albany; dpark7@albany.edu)

“Are Social Relations Good for Health? Evidence from Kyrgyzstan, a Low-Income Transitional Society”

Marlene **Laruelle** (George Washington University; laruelle@gwu.edu)

“The Rise of Illiberal Values in Central Asia”

Fatemeh **Sadraee** (University of Kansas; fsadraee@ku.edu)

“Ab-Paria ‘Water Fairy’: The Concept of Water from Mythology to Reality, from Sacredness to Scarcity”

Galib **Bashirov** (Florida International University; gbashiro@fiu.edu)

“Deconstructing Multiculturalism Discourse in Azerbaijan”

#### CU-10 ♦ Visuality and Representation in Central Asia

*Location:* Denny 110

*Chair:* Monica **Steinberg** (University of Southern California; monicaleesteinberg@gmail.com)

*Discussant:* Monica **Steinberg** (University of Southern California; monicaleesteinberg@gmail.com)

Konstantin **Vasiltsov** (Museum of Anthropology and Ethnography (Kunstkamera) Russian Academy of Science; vasiltsov@mail.ru)  
“**Visual Representation and Russian Orientalism: Central Asia in Photo-illustrative Collections of the Museum of Anthropology and Ethnography RAS**”

Moldiyar **Yergebekov** (Suleyman Demirel University; moldiyar.yergebekov@sdu.edu.kz) and Amina **Zhemenev** (KIMEP University; azhemenev@gmail.com)  
“**Representation of Women in Contemporary Kazakh Cinema**”

Petya **Andreeva** (University of Pennsylvania; andreeva@sas.upenn.edu)  
“**Visualizing Central Asia: Pictorial Narratives of Early Propaganda Art in Soviet Russia and the People’s Republic of China**”

#### **HI-02 ♦ Author-Critic Forum: Making Uzbekistan: A Conversation with Adeeb Khalid**

*Location:* Denny 259

*Chair:* Scott **Levi** (Ohio State University; levi.18@osu.edu)  
Alexander **Morrison** (Nazarbayev University; alexander.morrison@nu.edu.kz)  
Adrienne **Edgar** (University of California, Santa Barbara; edgar@history.ucsb.edu)  
Marianne **Kamp** (Indiana University, Bloomington; kamp@indiana.edu)  
Jeff **Sahadeo** (Carleton University; jeff.sahadeo@carleton.ca)  
Adeeb **Khalid** (Carleton College; akhalid@carleton.edu)

#### **HI-14 ♦ Central Asia in the Middle Ages**

*Location:* Denny 210

*Chair:* Michael **Hope** (Yonsei University; y1002029@yonsei.ac.kr)  
*Discussant:* Anne **Broadbridge** (University of Massachusetts-Amherst; broadbridge@history.umass.edu)  
Guram **Chikovani** (Free University of Tbilisi; gchikovani@yahoo.com)  
“**Arabs of Central Asia: Materials of Scientific Expeditions**”

Zachary **Hershey** (University of Pennsylvania; zhershey@sas.upenn.edu)  
“**Alcohol and Diplomacy: Khitan-Chinese Relations in the Early 11th Century**”

Khilola **Nazirova** (Institute of Oriental Studies, Uzbekistan Academy of Sciences; oybonu@gmail.com)  
and Hamidullo **Aminov** (Institute of Oriental Studies, Uzbekistan Academy of Sciences; oybonu@gmail.com)  
“**Khwarizmian Calendar Based on 19th Century Manuscripts**”

Khodadad **Rezakhani** (Princeton University; krezakhani@princeton.edu)  
“**To Cross, or Not to Cross, the Hindu-Kush: The Transition Between the Kidarite and Hephthalite Rule in Tokharistan**”

Abdumalik **Tuychibaev** (Ankara University; tuychibaev@gmail.com)  
“**Samarkand in the Light of Fatwas**”

#### **PO-09 ♦ Revolution and Opposition**

*Location:* Denny 111

*Chair:* Regine **Spector** (University of Massachusetts-Amherst; rspector@polsci.umass.edu)  
*Discussant:* Jesse **Driscoll** (University of California, San Diego; jdriscoll@ucsd.edu)  
Rebecca **Clendenen** (University of Illinois at Chicago; rclend2@uic.edu)  
“**Articulations of Legitimacy in the Orange Revolution**”

Maia **Machavariani** (Dublin City University; mako.machavariani@gmail.com)  
“Political Opposition versus Sources of Power in the Caspian Region; Case Studies from Kazakhstan and Kyrgyzstan”

Elena **Semenova** (Free University of Berlin; s6seel2@googlemail.com)  
“Why Revolutions Fail? Political Elites in Kyrgyzstan”

#### **RS-04 ♦ Kazakhstan 2: Nationalism, Identity and Representation**

*Location:* Denny 213

*Chair:* Jukka **Pietilainen** (University of Helsinki; jukka.pietilainen@helsinki.fi)

*Discussant:* Diana **Kudaibergenova** (University of Lund / University of Cambridge; dk406@cam.ac.uk)

Mukhtar **Senggirbay** (Suleyman Demirel University; mukhtar.zh@gmail.com)  
“Socio-Psychological Conditions Influencing the Ethno-Cultural Identity Shift of Kazakhstani Russians”

Elise **Ahn** (University of Wisconsin-Madison; eahn@international.wisc.edu)  
“A Phenomenological Look at Historical Diasporas in Kazakhstan: Situating the Experiences of Kazakhstani Koreans”

Alexander **Diener** (University of Kansas; diener@ku.edu), Nora **Webb Williams** (University of Washington, Seattle; norawebbwilliams@gmail.com) and Kristoffer **Rees** (Indiana University East; kmrees@iue.edu)

“Civic Nationalism in Kazakhstan: Results from 2017 Fieldwork”

Maira **Zeinilova** (Dublin City University; maira.zeinilova2@mail.dcu.ie)  
“Analyzing the Significance of the Changing Pattern of the Descriptive Representation of Women in Authoritarian Regimes: The Case of Kazakhstan”

#### **RS-05 ♦ Kyrgyzstan**

*Location:* Denny 258

*Chair:* Vincent **Artman** (Wayne State; vartman@gmail.com)

*Discussant:* Edward **Schatz** (University of Toronto; chair.pol.utm@utoronto.ca)

Emil **Dzhuraev** (American University of Central Asia; emil.joroev@gmail.com)  
“Post-Revolutionary Nationalism in Kyrgyzstan”

Sarah **Hummel** (University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign; shummel@illinois.edu)  
“Saying No: Determinants of Dissent Among Kyrgyz Legislators”

Azamat **Junisbai** (Pitzer College; ajunisba@pitzer.edu) and Barbara **Junisbai** (Pitzer College; bjunisba@pitzer.edu)  
“Institutional Trust in Kazakhstan vs. Kyrgyzstan: How Do the Divergent Trajectories Matter?”

#### **RS-06 ♦ Mongolia and China**

*Location:* Denny 211

*Chair:* Sansar **Tsakhirmaa** (Johns Hopkins University; ssan2@jhu.edu)

*Discussant:* Darren **Byler** (University of Washington, Seattle; dbyler@uw.edu)

Sandrine Emmanuelle **Catris** (Augusta University; scatris@augusta.edu)  
“The Cultural Revolution and the ‘Xinjiang Wenti’: The Beijing Narrative”

Sureyya **Yigit** (Yalova University; sureyya@cantab.net)  
“Mongolian Transition: The Normative Role of the European Union”

Sharad **Soni** (Jawaharlal Nehru University; sharadksoni@gmail.com)

**“Reassessing Mongolian Foreign Policy amidst Quest for ‘Permanent Neutrality’”**

**SC-01 ♦ 2015 Public Outreach Award: CESMI: Central Eurasian Scholars and Media Initiative**

**Location:** Denny 113

**Chair:** Annika **Schmeding** (CESMI; annika.schm@yahoo.com)

David W. **Montgomery** (University of Maryland; montgomery@cedarnetwork.org)

Bruce **Pannier** (Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty; pannierb@rferl.org)

**SO-08 ♦ Cities in Central Asia**

**Location:** Denny 313

**Chair:** Zachary **Schuylar** (University of Chicago; zschuyl@uchicago.edu)

**Discussant:** Bert **Cramer** (Independent Scholar, bert.cramer@gmail.com)

Emil **Nasritdinov** (American University of Central Asia; emilzn@gmail.com) and Raushanna **Sarkeyeva**

**“Structure and Texture of Bishkek’s Urban Communities: Who Has a Right to the City?”**

Vladimir **Ionesov** (Samara State Institute of Culture; acdis@mail.ru)

**“Samara and Samarkand in Dialogue of Cities: Experience of Transcultural Samarkandiana Project”**

Christilla **Marteau d’Autry** (Center of Comparative Sociology and Ethnology (LESC);

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**“The Foundation of a Mahalla: An Ongoing Process”**

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**“Intercultural Parenting among Russian-speaking Families in Uzbekistan”**

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**“Mothers in Sorrow: On the Interrelations of Love, Care and Aging in Tajikistan”**

Helene **Thibault** (Nazarbayev University; helene.thibault@nu.edu.kz)

**“Second-wives and Other Polygynous Arrangements in Astana”**

**Session 9 ♦ Sun., Oct. 8, 8:45-10:30**

**AN-09 ♦ Archeology in Central Asia**

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**“The Use of New Methods for the Investigation of Ceramics from Sarazm (Tajikistan) and Neighboring Settlements in Southern Turkmenistan (Copper and Early Bronze Age, 4-3 BC): First Results”**

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**“Numismatics Sources about History of Silk Road in 13th-15th Centuries”**

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**“The Burial Site Shoroon Bumbagar (678 AD) in Mongolia as a New Source on the Early History of the Toquz-Oghuz (Uyghur)”**

**RS-07 ♦ Sovereignty and Governance in the Caucasus**

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**“Sovereignty and Treason in the Medieval Caucasus”**

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**“The Forced Resettlement of Azerbaijanis from Armenia, 1948-1953”**

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**“Reconstruction of Local Order and Governance: Responses to State Collapse in the North Caucasus”**

Yulia **Antonyan** (Yerevan State University; yuliaantonyan@ysu.am)

**“Market Economy and Economy of Faith: Economic Dimensions of Piety in Contemporary Armenia”**

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**“Not Halal, Nor Haram: The Double Life of the Azerbaijani Middle Class”**

**RS-08 ♦ Tatarstan**

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**“The Transformative Shariah: Polygyny, Faith, and Community in Tatarstan”**

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**“The Volga Tatars’ Religious Discourse and the State: Historical Perspectives and Present-Day Discussions”**

Leila **Almazova** (Kazan Federal University; leilaalmazova@gmail.com)

**“Teaching Religion at Schools in the Republic of Tatarstan (2011-2017)”**

Sansar **Tsakhirmaa** (Johns Hopkins University; ssan2@jhu.edu)

**“Comparative Institutionalized Bilingualism in Tatarstan, Russia and Xinjiang, China: Findings and Explanations”**

#### **SO-09 ♦ Women in Central Asia**

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**“Triple Consciousness and Moments of Transformation: ‘Mystory’ of an Uzbek Girl”**

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**“What Women Shouldn’t Be Allowed to Do: Religion as a Challenge to Analytical Norms of Modernity”**

Elmira **Satybaldieva** (University of Kent; elmira.satybaldy@gmail.com)

**“A Mob for Hire? The Older Women’s Agency and Politics in Kyrgyzstan”**

Xeniya **Udod** (Nazarbayev University; xeniya.udod@nu.edu.kz)

**“A Choir of Soloists: Agendas and Controversies of Contemporary Feminism in Kazakhstan”**

#### **Session 10 ♦ Sun., Oct. 8, 10:45-12:30**

#### **HI-04 ♦ Leadership, Literature, Libraries, and Lenses: Edward Allworth’s Legacy in Central Asian Studies**

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Clark **Allworth** will share memories and photos of his father.

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**“Edward and Janet Allworth, and Central Asian Library Resources at Columbia”**

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**“Rereading Edward Allworth, Rethinking Educational Assumptions”**

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**“The Contemporary Relevance of Classic Central Asian Literature”**

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**“Leadership And The Good Ruler In Central Asia – An Appreciation of the Career of Professor Edward Allworth, Columbia University”**

#### **IR-03 ♦ Geopolitics in Eurasia**

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“Kyrgyzstan and the Eurasian Union: A Neofunctionalist Perspective”  
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“Turkish Foreign Policy Towards Russia Since The Arab Spring”  
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“Intelligence Networking between Ladakh, Tibet and the Qing Dynasty, 1724-1759”

**RS-09 ♦ Uzbekistan**

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“Karimov’s Legacy? Evoking the Body and Flesh of Timur”  
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“The Difference in Work Ethic and Personality between Older and Younger Generations in Uzbekistan during the Transition Period”  
William **Dirks** (Independent Scholar; williamdirks@gmail.com)  
“The Elusive ‘Clans’ of Uzbekistan”

**SO-11 ♦ Family and Childhood**

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“Emigration and Exile: Teenage Voices Across the Uyghur Diaspora”  
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“Taking Chances: How People in Karakalpakstan Frame Their Youth in School Stories”  
Mehmet **Kasikci** (Arizona State University; mehmet.kasikci@asu.edu)  
“Socialist Visions in the Periphery: Imagining Childhood in Soviet Kazakhstan”  
Guangqing **Chi** (Pennsylvania State University; gchi@psu.edu), Annelise **Hagedorn** (Pennsylvania State University; gchi@psu.edu), Christian **Scott** (Pennsylvania State University) and Geoffrey **Henebry** (South Dakota State University)  
“Left-Behind Children in Kyrgyzstan: Lost in Labor Migration, Remittances, and Poverty”



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## Mini-workshops for junior scholars from Central Eurasia

Thanks to support from the Open Society Foundations, CESS is pleased to announce that it will hold two mini-workshops for up to 20 junior scholars from Central Eurasia, in conjunction with its Annual Conference in Seattle.

The workshops are designed to help build a stronger community of scholars and scholarship that more centrally includes scholars from the region.

In 2017, the two workshops are being held on Friday October 6:

### **Nuts and Bolts of Publishing your Scholarly Work (7.30-8.45am including breakfast)**

This session will be run by Dr. Madeleine Reeves (U. Manchester, UK), who edits Central Asian Survey. Reeves, in an interactive format, will highlight the distinguishing features of scholarly research, the value of scholarship as such, and walk Central Eurasian junior scholars through the nuts and bolts of helping scholarly work rise to publishable quality.

### **Making Yourself Heard: Communicating your Scholarly Work (12.30-2.15pm including lunch)**

This session will be run by Dr. Laura Adams (USAID) and Dr. David Montgomery (CEDAR-Communities Engaging Difference and Religion). They will offer an interactive discussion about how scholars communicate the public value of their scholarship. Participants will brainstorm ways in which scholars can be more effective in using their research findings to produce informed public debates, as well as get the attention of interested policy makers, journalists, non-governmental organizations, or other non-academic communities in various contexts.

The workshops are open by application to 20 junior scholars from Central Eurasia. To be considered, applicants must be on the program as presenting a paper at the CESS Annual Conference in Seattle, originate from one of the Central Eurasian states, be either currently enrolled in a PhD program or within 5 years of receiving their PhD, be available to attend BOTH sessions, and have demonstrably strong English-language skills.

The application deadline for 2017 has passed but that we might, on an exceptional basis, be able to accommodate additional participants.

CESS plans to continue this workshop program at future conferences. If you would be interested in participating in the workshops, could facilitate a session, or have comments/suggestions about how the workshops could be set up, please feel free to contact [cessworkshops@gmail.com](mailto:cessworkshops@gmail.com).

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