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INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP

# URBAN AGENCIES

PERSONAL AND COLLECTIVE AGENCY IN  
ANATOLIAN AND CAUCASIAN CITIES  
(13TH-14TH CENTURIES)

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# PROGRAMME

## THURSDAY JUNE 6, 2019

University of Vienna, Department of Byzantine and Modern Greek Studies  
Lecture hall (1st staircase, 3rd floor)  
1010 Vienna, Postgasse 7

16.40–17.00 REGISTRATION

### WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

17.00–17.30 **Claudia Rapp** | Austrian Academy of Sciences/University of Vienna  
**Florian Schwarz** | Austrian Academy of Sciences  
*Welcome*

**Matthew Kinloch** | Austrian Academy of Sciences  
**Bruno De Nicola** | Goldsmiths, University of London / Austrian Academy of Sciences  
*Introduction*

### KEYNOTE SESSION

Chair: **Claudia Rapp**

17.30–18.05 **Andrew Peacock** | University of St Andrews  
*Urban Agency and the City Notables of Medieval Anatolia*

18.05–18.40 **Teresa Shawcross** | Princeton University  
*Taking Liberties in Byzantium: Emperors and Cities*

18.40–19.00 Discussion

19.00– RECEPTION

## FRIDAY JUNE 7, 2019

Austrian Academy of Sciences, Seminar room 49 (1st floor)  
1020 Vienna, Hollandstraße 11-13

09.00–09.20 REGISTRATION

**SESSION 1** **URBAN AGENCIES IN THEORY**  
Chair: **Rachel Goshgarian**

09.20–09.45 **Aslı Akışık** | Bahcesehir University, Istanbul  
*The Uses of Natural Philosophy in Understanding Human Societies*

09.45–10.10 **Matthew Kinloch** | Austrian Academy of Sciences  
*Alternative Agencies: Urban Characters and the Narrative Margins*

10.10–10.35 **İklil Selçuk** | Özyeğin University, Istanbul  
*The Development of Principles, Institutions and Ideas of Economic Justice that Constituted Market Regulation Mechanisms in Anatolia*

10.35–11.15 Discussion

11.15–11.45 COFFEE BREAK

**SESSION 2** **READING FOURTEENTH-CENTURY CITIES**  
Chair: **Andrew Peacock**

11.45–12.10 **Scott Redford** | SOAS, London  
*Ibn Battuta's (In)famous Description of Antalya in the 1330s*

12.10–12.35 **Oya Pancaroğlu** | Boğaziçi University, Istanbul  
*Looking for Urban Agency in a City of Memorials: 14th-Century Ahlat*

12.35–13.05 Discussion

13.05–14.30 LUNCH BREAK

**SESSION 3** **LIMINAL SPACES: BETWEEN SELJUK AND BYZANTINE HEGEMONIES**  
Chair: **Naomi Pitamber**

14.30–14.55 **Bruno De Nicola** | Goldsmiths, University of London / Austrian Academy of Sciences  
*Urban Agency in the Borderlands: Kastamonu in the Thirteenth Century*

- 14.55–15.20** **Dmitry Korobeynikov** | University at Albany, New York  
*Understanding Political Space: Urbanism as a Source of Legitimacy*
- 15.20–15.55** **Wiktor Ostaz** | University of Oxford  
*Abandoned or Liberated? Resistance of Anatolian Cities to the Changing Mode of Imperial Accumulation after 1261*
- 15.55–16.35** Discussion
- 16.35–17.00** COFFEE BREAK

**SESSION 4** **CONTESTING URBAN HEGEMONIES**  
Chair: **Matthew Kinloch**

- 17.00–17.25** **Rachel Goshgarian** | Lafayette College, Pennsylvania  
*Late Medieval Futuwwa in Anatolian Cities: The Coordination of Individuals and the Call to Political and Social Action*
- 17.25–17.40** **Nicholas Matheou** | Institute of Historical Research, London  
*Hegemony, Counterpower and the End of Ani: A Critical Re-Interpretation*
- 17.40–18.10** Discussion

## SATURDAY JUNE 8, 2019

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**SESSION 5** **LASKARID URBANISMS**  
Chair: **Sara Nur Yıldız**

- 09.20–09.45** **Ekaterini Mitsiou** | Göttingen Academy of Sciences and Humanities Austrian Academy of Sciences  
*Historiography, Crisis and Urban Resilience in Western Asia Minor (13th-14th centuries)*
- 09.45–10.10** **Suna Çağaptay** | Bahcesehir University, Istanbul  
*The Lascarid Triangulation of Power: Nicaea, Nymphaion, and Magnesia*
- 10.10–10.35** **Naomi Pitamber** | Penn State University  
*Laskarid Nicaea: Building Agency in Exile*

**10.35–11.15** COFFEE BREAK

**SESSION 6** **URBAN CENTRES AND STATE FORMATIONS**  
Chair: **Bruno De Nicola**

- 11.45–12.10** **Annika Asp** | University of Birmingham  
*Rulers, Archontes, and Cities in Fourteenth-Century Trebizond*
- 12.10–12.35** **Sara Nur Yıldız** | Max Planck Institute for the History of Science, Berlin  
*Fortresses and City-States in Fourteenth-century Post-Mongol Anatolia*
- 12.35–13.05** Discussion
- 13.05–14.30** LUNCH BREAK

**SESSION 7** **RETHINKING URBAN NETWORKS**  
Chair: **Florian Schwarz**

- 14.30–14.55** **Ioanna Rapti** | École Pratique des Hautes Études, Paris  
*Urban Consciousness in the Medieval Kingdom of Cilicia: A Re-examination of the Invisible Armenian Cities*
- 14.55–15.20** **Emilio Bonfiglio** | University of Vienna & **Johannes Preiser-Kapeller** | Austrian Academy of Sciences  
*Criss-crossing (Hi)stories. Narrative Networks and Urban Nodes in Eastern Anatolia, Caucasia and Northwestern Iran under Mongol Rule*
- 15.20–15.50** Discussion
- 15.50–16.30** Concluding Discussion