THE BALANCE OF JUSTICE IN THE OTTOMAN EMPIRE: NON-MUSLIMS AS AGENTS IN AN ISLAMIC IMPERIAL LEGAL CONTEXT

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11:15–12:15 PANEL 1 Conceptualising Justice: Communal and Trans-communal Perspectives in the Early Modern World
Chair: Baki Tezcan
University of California, Davis
The Nature of ‘Justice’ among Ottoman Orthodox Christians in the Early Modern Period
Eugenia Kermeli
Hacettepe University
Compatibility Kanun: Translation and Compatiblity of Ottoman, Safavid, and Habsburg Kanun’s
Guy Burak
New York University
In Search of the Perfect State: The Discourse on Justice in Ottoman Thought
Hüseyin Yılmaz
George Mason University

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13:00–14:15 PANEL 2 Dealing with Difference: Fatwas, Pirman, and Non-Muslims in the Ottoman Legal Order
Chair: Sophie Laou
Izmir University
Non-Muslims in the Ottoman Sultanate: Fatvas: A Computational Analysis of Thematic Change
Boğaz Ergene
University of Vermont
and
Atabay Koygun
Istanbul Technical University
The Status of Saint Catherine’s Monastery within the Ottoman Legal Order in the Province of Egypt through the Lens of Ottoman Imperial Decrees (Firman)
Abdulrahman Mahmoud
Harvard University

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14:00–15:15 PANEL 3 Power and the Patriarchates: Greek and Armenian Churches and the Ottoman State
Chair: Ahmet Turgut
Columbia University
Armenian Prelates and Ottoman Kadi: Litigation and Crisis Management among Armenians in the Early Modern Ottoman Empire
Henry Shapiro
Pomorski Academy/Hebrew University
Forms of Jurisprudence in Harmony, Conflict, and Coexistence: Seeking and Implementing Justice in the Interaction between Silistres of Antioch and the Ottoman Imperial Chancery
Hasan Çolak
TOBB University
The Transformation of the Legal Jurisdiction of the Patriarch of Constantinople
Elif Bayraktar
Istanbul Medeniyet University

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Chair: Henry Shapiro
Pomorski Academy/Hebrew University
Beni Isatüre Dumlup Fıkrı
Hired Labor and Agency of Non-Muslims in the Early 18th-Century Crimean Khanate
Turkıko Allahverdievı
University of Bonn
Actors and Agents in Murky Legal Waters: Some Observations on the Practice of Kebin, 15th-16th Century
 następnı panel
St. Mary’s College of Maryland

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14:00–15:15 PANEL 5 Overlapping Systems of Justice
Chair: Boğaz Ergene
University of Vermont
On the Permeability of Judicial Systems in the Ottoman Empire
Prókos Kotzigeorgez
Aristote University of Thessaloniki
Ottoman Courts Applying Frankish Customs: European Consular Courts in 17th-Century Istanbul
Tommaso Stefani
European University Institute

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16:00–17:15 PANEL 6 Non-Muslim Perspectives on the Law
Chair: Betül Başaran
St. Mary’s College of Maryland
Ottoman Greek Businesses and Istanbul Courts: 18th to Early 19th Century
Sophia Laos
Izmir University
Mormon Missionaries and Armenians in the Late Ottoman Empire: An Investigation of Their Legal Marginalization
Kent Schull
Binghamton University
State University of New York
Saltans of Ottoman İzmir: A Dispute over Mining Privileges, and the Language of Seeking Justice
Emre Erol
Sabancı University

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17:45–18:55 PANEL 7 Forum Shopping? Avenues of Justice in the Ottoman Legal Sphere
Chair: Betül İspir Argı
Marmara University
Between Two Communities: Legal Strategies and Practices among Jews in 19th-Century Salonica and Jerusalem
Eyal Ginio
Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Legal Plurality and Divorce: Greek Orthodox Divorce in the Patriarchal and Sharia Courts
Gamae Yazser
University of Maryland

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19:00–20:15 PANEL 8 Legal Reforms and Non-Muslim Experiences in the 19th Century
Chair: Ayşe Ozil
Sabancı University
How the Ottoman Ulama Responded to Non-Muslims’ Equality Demands after the 1848 Revolutions in Europe
Abduhamit Erzin
Marmara University
& Centre for Advanced Study Sofia
Ottoman Constitutionalism at the Fin de Siècle: A Social History of a Non-Muslim Perspective on Justice and Reform
Varak Ketermanian
Princeton University
Berte Torunoglu
Bilkent University

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