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2-4 NOVEMBER 2013

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Saturday, November 2

OPENING

10:00-11:30

WELCOME REMARKS

Rakel Dink

HRANT DINK FOUNDATION

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OPENING CONVERSATION

Fethiye Çetin

Nebahat Akkoç

Sibel Asna

TEA/COFFEE BREAK

11:30-11:50

I Burden of History, Politics of Naming

Panel 1

11:50-13:20

CHAIR

Ayfer Bartu Candan

Zeynep Türkyılmaz

Researching and
Conceptualizing Religious

Conversion: *Reflections on
Ottoman and Republican History
and Historiography*

Avedis Hadjian

Patriarch Shnork's Four
Categories of Anatolian
Armenians and Today's Muslim
Armenians

Ayşe Gül Altınay

The Historical and
Historiographical Silence on
Islamized Armenians and New
Memory Work along the Axis of
Ethnicity, Nation, and Gender

LUNCH

13:20-14:30

II The Recent and Distant History of the Islamization

Panel 2

14:30-16:30

CHAIR

Meltem Toksöz

Sergey Vardanian

Islamized Hemshin Armenians:
Victims and Witnesses

Serap Demir

Islamized Armenians:
*A Historical Approach to
Hemshin and Its Environs*

Mahir Özkan

*The Hemşinli Identity: Culture,
Language and Religion*

Uğur Bahadır Bayraktar

Abduction, Marriage and
Islamization in the Tanzimat Era

Selim Deringil

Mass Conversion during the
Hamidian Massacres 1894-1897

TEA/COFFEE BREAK

16:30-17:00

III Islamized in 1915: History and Bearing Witness I

Panel 3

17:00-18:50

CHAIR

Raymond Kevorkian

Taner Akçam

Assimilation as a Structural
Element in the Conversion of
the Armenians

Armen Marsoobian

An Untold Story of Survival: An
*"Islamized" Armenian Family in
Marsovan, 1915-1919*

Anna Aleksanyan

Ruben Heryan: *Liberator of
Armenian Women and Children
from Muslim Families after the
Armenian Genocide*

Gayane Çobanyan

The Question of Arabized
Armenians

Sunday, November 3

IV

Islamized in 1915: History and Bearing Witness II

Panel 4

9:30-11:40

CHAIR

Ronald Grigor Suny

Vahe Tachjian

Mixed Marriage, Prostitution, Survival: *Reintegrating Survivor Women into Post-Ottoman Armenian Communities*

Arda Melkonian

Gender and Survival Options during the Armenian Genocide

Doris Melkonian

Taken into Muslim Households: *Experiences of Armenian Children during the Genocide*

Ishkhan Chiftjian

Islamization as an Instrument for Surviving and/or Disappearing: *Theories and Practices of Islamization of Armenians during the 1915 Genocide*

Hilmar Kaiser

Assimilation of Armenian Deportees, 1915-1917

TEA/COFFEE BREAK

11:40-12:00

V

Traces of Memory: Music, Food and Stories

Panel 5

12:00-13:50

CHAIR

Ferhunde Özbay

Wendy Hamelink

Musical Memories of Sasun Armenians

Cafer Sarıkaya

Only Lokum Remains: *The Islamized Armenians in the Black Sea Region and the Resistance Story of a Flavour*

Nevin Yıldız Tahincioğlu

A Story of Existence: *What Remains from Sara...*

Rubina Peroomian

Muslim Armenians, a Paradox?

LUNCH

13:50-15:00

VI

Memory, Ethnicity, Religion: Kurdish Identity

Panel 6

15:00-16:50

CHAIR

Yektan Türkyılmaz

Adnan Çelik

Survival Strategies of the Islamized Armenian Families: *The Case of Diyarbakır Pasûr (Kulp)*

Davut Yeşilmen

The Perception of Armenians in the Modern Kurdish Novel and Representation of Collective Memory

Ramazan Aras

Misilmeni: *An Analysis of Perceptions of Muslim Armenians among Muslim Kurds*

Ümit Kurt & Murad Uçaner

A Facet of the Stories of Besni Armenian Orphans, who were Islamized during the 1915 Armenian Genocide

TEA/COFFEE BREAK

16:50-17:10

VII

Memory, Ethnicity, Religion: Dersim

Panel 7

17:10-18:40

CHAIR

Murat Yüksel

Nezahat Gündoğan & Kazım Gündoğan

Armenians in 1937-38 Dersim's Tertele

Hranush Kharatyan

"I am from Dersim": *Avoiding Identity among Dersim Population and Alevized Armenians of Dersim*

Gökçen B. Dinç

Protected but Discriminated: *Dersim Armenians*

**Monday,
November 4**

VIII

**Memory
and
Identity**

Workshops

10:00-12:00

WORKSHOP I: ÖZGER ARNAS HALL

Jülide Aral

Meeting of Children and
Grandchildren of Islamized
Armenians *(in Turkish)*

WORKSHOP II: PSB 102

**(PSYCHOLOGY & SOCIOLOGY
BUILDING)**

Ufuk Sezgin

Islamized Armenians:
Perception and Experiences
Outside of Turkey *(in English)*

LUNCH

12:00-13:00

Panel 8

13:00-14:50

CHAIR

Müge Gürsoy Sökmen

Helin Anahit

The Rivers of Memory: *Exploring
Collective Memory and Cultural
Assumptions through the Voice
of the Islamized Armenians in
Turkey*

Alice von Bieberstein

The Self as Lacuna

Laurence Ritter

Reconstructing Identity: *The
Importance of Family Structure
among Hidden and Islamized
Armenians - A case-study*

Anoush Suni

Displacement and the
Production of Difference:
*Islamized Armenians and
Imagined Geographies*

TEA/COFFEE BREAK

14:50-15:10

**Monday,
November 4**

**Religion
and
Identity**

Round Table

15:10-17:00

CHAIR

Rober Koptaş

Boghos Levon Zekiyan

Krikor Ağabaloğlu

Cemal Uşşak

Hidayet Şefkatli Tuksal

TEA/COFFEE BREAK

17:00-17:20

**Monday,
November 4**

**The
Grandchildren**

Forum

17:20-19:30

CHAIR

Ayşe Gül Altınay

Fethiye Çetin

Workshop I (spokesperson)

Workshop II (spokesperson)

Emine Kolivar & Ferda

Balancar HRANT DINK

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Miran Pirgiç Gültekin

ASSOCIATION OF DERSİM
ARMENIANS

Hikmet Akçiçek

HEMSHİN ASSOCIATION FOR
RESEARCH AND CULTURAL
PRESERVATION

Movie Screenings

PLACE: NATUK BIRKAN BUILDING
IBRAHIM BODUR AUDITORIUM

Berke Bař

Hush! (2009)

Mehmet Binay

Whispering Memories
Talking Pictures (2009)

Suzanne Khardalian

Grandma's Tatoos (2011)

Nezahat Gündođan

Two Locks of Hair: The Missing
Girls of Dersim (2012)

Dilek Aydın

Habap Fountains: The Story of a
Restoration (2012)

Uđur Egemen İres

Pure State of the Soul (2013)

Armen Aroyan

Hidden Armenians (2006)

Gülengül Altıntař

Don't Get Lost Children (2011)

Saturday, November 2

10:00-17:00

Sunday, November 3

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Monday, November 4

10:00-17:00

