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AUTUMN LECTURES 2012

TRADE, PILGRIMAGE & COLONISATION THE IMPERIAL ROADS OF THE MIDDLE EAST

LECTURE

Tuesday October 16

19.00

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Network South: George Logie (1694-1776) & The Mediterranean World

Gustaf Fryksén (b. in 1979) is currently an M.A. candidate in history at Lund University, Sweden. His mainresearch interest is in Swedish-Ottoman diplomatic relations.

The presentation is based on an ongoing project that centers on the first Swedish consul in the Ottoman Empire, George Logie, appointed in 1729 and active for over 40 years in the maritime 'borderlands' between Christian Europe and the Ottoman world. The project has a transnational *histoire croisée* approach and the research is based on multi-national archival sources.

During Logie's appointment as consul he continuously proved to be very capable in consolidating his own and Sweden's interests in the region. The presentation will focus on Logie's consular activities in the semi-independent 'Barbary states' of Algiers, Tunis and Tripoli, as well as his diplomatic, commercial and kinship networks stretching from the Levant and North Africa to Stockholm, Logie and his protégés' successful manouvres in these 'entangled spaces'.

Refreshments are served after the lecture