#### DREAMS OF

# **TSARGRAD**

# CONSTANTINOPLE AND THE BLACK SEA IN IMPERIAL RUSSIAN IMAGINATION

#### THE SWEDISH RESEARCH INSTITUTE IN ISTANBUL, OCTOBER 21-22, 2024

## SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20

18:00 Welcome drink at the SRII

#### MONDAY, OCTOBER 21

9:00 Alexandra Vukovich (London), Khan or Basileus?

9:30 Roman Shlyakhtin (independent), Re-imagining Constantinople: Reading Nestor Iskender in North-Western Eurasia of the Sixteenth Century

10:00 Konstantinos Vetochnikov (Paris), Tsar of Moscow or Basileus Romaion?

10:30 Coffee

11:00 Sergey Ivanov (Harvard), From Sevastopol to Tsar'grad: Catherine II's Greek Project from a Byzantine Perspective

11:30 Mogens Pelt (Copenhagen), Geopolitics and Rebellions in South-Eastern Europe and the Greek Revolution, 1768–1821

12:00 Lunch

13:00 Fani Gargova, (Leibniz), De-Ottomanizing Sofia: Russian Byzantinism and the Construction of a New Capital City in the Balkans

13:30 Arman Khatchatryan (Yerevan), On the Armenian Proposals for the Capture of Cilicia and Constantinople

14:00 Coffee

14:30 Elena Astafieva (Paris), Constantinople and Jerusalem as two Centers of the Russian Eastern Question

15:00 Türkan Olcay (Istanbul), The Russian Archaeological Institute in Constantinople (RAIK)

15:30 Walk to the former building of the RAIK, then down to the former Russian churches in Karaköy

19:00 Reception at the IFEA

## TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22

9:30 Helena Bodin (Stockholm), Three Dreams of Tsargrad - from Bunin's "Stambul" to Bulgakov's Flight

10:00 Julie Hansen (Uppsala), Tsargrad as refuge and concept in the life and work of Ilia Zdanevich

10:30 Coffee

11:00 Igor Torbakov (Uppsala), Tsargrad into Leningrad: Constantinople in Russian Political Imagination after the 1917 Revolution and the First World War

11:30 General discussion

12:00 Lunch

19:00 Voluntary dinner (at self cost) at Rejans







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