

Empire of Babel

Ottoman Literary Modernities and their Afterlives, 1850-1950



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Istanbul, March 4th 2022

09:45 - Welcome and Introduction by Olof Heilo (Director, Swedish Research Institute in Istanbul)

10:00 - Session 1: Late Ottoman Formations, moderated by Alexis Wick (Koç University)

10:00 - Stephan Guth (University of Oslo), "Arab Literati and the Late Ottoman Empire"

10:45 - İpek Hünér Cora (Boğaziçi University), "Thinking about Manuscripts in the Age of the Printing Press"

11:30 - İlham Khuri-Makdisi (American University of Beirut), "Language, Translation and Empire in the late Ottoman Period and Beyond; or, the Life and Work of Zaki Mugamiz (1871-1932)"

12:15 - Lunch Break

13.30 - Session 2: In Between Worlds, moderated by Philippe Bourmaud (Université Jean Moulin Lyon 3)

13:30 - Kerem Tınaz (Koç University), "Between Language and Identity: The Life and Thought of Satı Bey"

14:15 - Mehmet Fatih Uslu (Koç University), "The Rise and Fall of Ottoman Fiction: Armenian and Turkish Literatures in Comparative Perspective"

15:00 - Coffee Break

15:15 Session - 3: Across New Borders, moderated by Seda Altuğ (Boğaziçi University)

15:15 - C. Ceyhun Arslan (Koç University), "Family Matters: Oedipus, Tawfiq al-Ḥakīm, and Ahmet Hamdi Tanpınar"

16:00 - Timour Muhidine (INALCO, Paris), "Republican Exiles: Turkish Writers in the Arab Lands in the 1930s. Cairo, Beirut, Aleppo"

16:45 - Final Discussion moderated by Ahmet Ersoy (Boğaziçi University) and Dahlia Gubara (Koç University)

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