

**INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP ON**

**LATE BYZANTINE CITIES**

**20-23 August 2019**



Credit: Fleur-de-lis, Iconostasis, Peribleptos, Mistra, Greece (Photo: Suna Çağaptay)

**Bahçeşehir University, Beşiktaş Campus**

**D-Conference Hall**

**PROGRAM**

## **Day 1, 20 August**

**10:00-10:30** Registration, coffee and tea

**10:30-11:00** Heath Lowry (Bahçeşehir University) Welcoming Remarks

### ***SESSION 1 Of Houses and Towers: (Re)visiting Constantinople (Chair: Ida Toth)***

**11:00-11:20** Paul Magdalino (University of St. Andrews) The Houses of the Aristocracy in Palaiologan Constantinople

**11:20-11:40** Dionysios Stathakopoulos (King's College, London) The Invisible City: Towers in Palaiologan Constantinople

**11:40- 12:00** Albrecht Berger (University of Munich) Visiting Constantinople

**12:00-12:30** Discussion

**12:30-14:00** Lunch at Faculty Club

### ***SESSION 2 The Laskarid Realm in a Larger Perspective (Chair: Siren Çelik)***

**14:00-14:20** Dimiter Angelov (Harvard University) Theodore II Laskaris on Anatolian Cities

**14:20-14:40** Suna Çağaptay (Bahçeşehir University) The Empire Emerges: Powerful Patrons and the Question of Cultural Overlaps in Laskarid Architecture

**14:40-15:00** Ivana Jevtić (Koç University) Itinerant Artists and Interconnected Patrons: 13<sup>th</sup>-Century Artistic Production in Constantinople, Nicaea, Trebizond, Thessalonike, and Serbia

**15:00- 15:30** Discussion

**19:30** Meeting at Bahçeşehir Beşiktaş Campus, Opening Night Dinner at Teras 212 Restaurant

**END OF DAY 1**

## Day 2, 21 August

### ***SESSION 3 Digging Deeper into Ottoman Sources***

**(Chair: Ferhan Kırıldökme Mollaoğlu)**

**10:00-10:20** Heath Lowry (Bahçeşehir University), İnalcık's *The Survey of Istanbul 1455*  
Revisited: A Critique

**10:20-10:40** Nevra Necipoğlu (Boğaziçi University) Monasteries of Late Byzantine  
Constantinople: New Evidence from the Ottoman Survey of 1455

**10:40-11:00** Eurydice Georganteli (Harvard University) "Great is the power of memory that  
resides in places": Urban Continuity and Change along Late Byzantine Egnatia

**11:00-11:30** Discussion

**11:30-11:50** Coffee Break

### ***SESSION 4 Resilient Urbanism: Literary Accounts of Cities in Byzantium and Beyond***

**(Chair: Dimiter Angelov, TBC)**

**11:50- 12:10** Siren Çelik (Harvard University) Manuel II, Demetrios Kydones and Byzantine  
Cities

**12:10-12:30** Wiktor Ostasz (University of Oxford) Metamorphoses of the Frontier Kastron:  
Urbanisation and its Discontents in Western Anatolia after 1261

**12:30- 12:50** Discussion

**12:50-14:00** Lunch at Faculty Club

### ***SESSION 5 Case Studies: Magnesia, Chios, and Adrianople (Chair: Suna Çağaptay)***

**14:00-14:20** Hilal Aktur (İstanbul Technical University) From Magnesia to Manisa

**14:20-14:40** Ioanna Koukouni (Athens) Late Byzantine Chios: New Evidence

**14:40-15:00** Nilgün Elam (Anadolu University) City Councils during the Late Byzantine Era  
(13<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> c.): The Case of Adrianople

**15:00- 15:30** Discussion

**END OF DAY 2**

## **Day 3, 22 August**

### ***SESSION 6 The Economic Networks in the Late Byzantine World*** **(Chair: Pagona Papadopoulou)**

**9:30-9:50** Sergey Karpov (Moscow State University) Trebizond and Tana: Two Cities in the International Commerce of the 14<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> Centuries

**9:50-10:10** Kostis Smyrlis (New York University) A Merchant and His Clients in Mid-Fourteenth-Century Thessalonike

**10:10-10:30** Brendan Osswald (French School, Athens), The Cities of Epirus (Arta and Ioannina). An Attempt at Economic History (13<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> Centuries)

**10:30-11:00** Discussion

**11:00- 11:20** Coffee Break

### ***SESSION 7 Citizens and Factions: Trebizond and Beyond*** (Chair: Sergey Karpov)

**11:20- 11:40** Murat Keçiş (Muğla University) Being a Citizen in Fourteenth-Century Trebizond: Economy and Inhabitants

**11:40-12:00** Annika Asp (London) The Establishment of a Trapezuntine Elite Diaspora in Constantinople

**12:00-12:20** Discussion

**12:20- 14:00** Lunch at Faculty Club

### ***SESSION 8 Religious and Civic Identity I*** (Chair: Murat Keçiş)

**14:00- 14:20** Anastasios Tantsis (University of Thessalonike) Mistra's Urban Character: A Question of Shifting Perspectives

**14:20-14:40** Sofia Georgiadou (Athens) Trebizond's Religious Architecture: The Palaiologan Contribution

**14:40-15:00** Discussion

**15:00-15:20** Coffee Break

**SESSION 9 *Religious and Civic Identity II* (Chair: Brendan Osswald)**

**15:20-15:40** Pagona Papadopoulou (University of Thessalonike) Patron Saints and Civic Identity after 1204

**15:40-16:00** Roman Shliakhtin (J. Gutenberg University of Mainz) Tower of Babel for New Constantinople? Transformations of Fortifications in Nicaea under the Laskarids

**16:00-16:20** Discussion

**END OF DAY 3**

**Day 4, 23 August**

**SESSION 10 *Encomia of Cities I* (Chair: Ashhan Akışık)**

**10:00-10:20** Alexia-Foteini Stamouli (University Patras) Comparison of Cities in Late Byzantine Hagiographical Texts

**10:20-10:40** Alexandra Voudouri (Athens) Independent City Praises Functioning as Political Canvases in Late Byzantium

**10:40-11:00** Discussion

**11:00-11:30** Coffee Break

**SESSION 11 *Encomia of Cities II* (Chair: Paul Magdalino)**

**11:30- 11:50** Ida Toth (University of Oxford) City Narratives and the Poetics of Spoliation in Late Medieval Culture

**11:50-12:10** Florin Leonte (Palacký University) Rhetorical Representations of Cities in Late Byzantium: Memory Maps and Construction of Reality

**12:10- 12:30** Discussion

**12:30- 14:00 Lunch at Faculty Club**

***SESSION 12 Paradigms of Fall: Nicaea, Constantinople, Trebizond, and Thessalonike***  
**(Chair: Dionysios Stathakopoulos)**

**14:00-14:20** Matthew Kinloch (Austrian Academy of Sciences, Vienna) What Urban Populations Do: Groups, Characters, and Action in Late Byzantine Historiography

**14:20-14:40** Aslıhan Akışık (Bahçeşehir University) Narratives Concerning the Fall of the Empire of Trebizond

**14:40-15:00** Ferhan Kırıldökme Mollaoğlu (Trakya University) Between the Ottomans and the Venetians: The *Epistolai* of Symeon, Archbishop of Thessalonike

**15:00- 15:30** Discussion

**15:30-16:00** Aslıhan Akışık and Suna Çağaptay (Bahçeşehir University) Concluding discussion and remarks

**END OF DAY 4**