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INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

The Ottoman Conquest of the Balkans – Interpretations and Research Debates

14–16 November 2013

Lecture Room (Hörsaal)
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THURSDAY, 14 NOVEMBER 2013

- 9.15 **Oliver Jens Schmitt** (Vienna)
*The Ottoman Conquest of the Balkans –
Outlines of a Research Program*
- 10.00 *Coffee break*
- 10.30 **Markus Koller** (Bochum)
*„Imperial Middle Ages”? A Comparative Approach
on Early Russian and Ottoman History*
- 11.30 **Maurus Reinkowski** (Basel)
*Conquests Compared: Ottoman Expansion
in the Balkans and the Eastern Arab World*
- 12.30–14.00 *Lunch break*
- Chair: 14.15 **Toni Filiposki** (Skopje)
Andrei Pippidi
*Before and After the Marica Battle (1371):
The Significance (or Role) of the Non-Ottoman
Factors in the Ottoman Conquests of the Balkans*
- 15.15 **Mariya Kiprovska** (Sofia)
*Ferocious Invasion or Smooth Incorporation?
Merging the Established Balkan Military System
into the Ottoman Army*
- 16.15–16.45 *Coffee break*
- 16.45 **Grigor Boykov** (Sofia)
*Human Cost of Warfare: National Interpretations,
Methodological Issues, and Theoretical Framework
of Balkan Demographic History in the Late
Middle Ages and the Early Modern Era*

FRIDAY, 15 NOVEMBER 2013

- Chair: 9.15 **Tijana Krstić** (Budapest)
Maurus Reinkowski
*Approaching the Phenomenon of Religious Change
in Ottoman Rumeli*
- 10.15–10.30 *Coffee break*

- 10.30 **Sebastian Kolditz** (Bochum)
*The Fall of Byzantium –
Interpretations of an Event and its Background*

- 11.30 **Ovidiu Cristea** (Bucharest)
*Venice Confronting the Ottoman Empire:
a Struggle for Survival*

12.30–14.00 *Lunch break*

- Chair: 14.15 **Konstantinos Giakoumis** (Tirana)
Maria Magdalena Székely
*«The Turkish Turban rather than the Latin Mitre»
or Just Another Overlord? An Enquiry into the
Causes of Ottoman Expansion in Epiros and Albania*

- 15.15 **Andrei Pippidi** (Bucharest)
The Ottoman Conquest of Wallachia – Facts and Interpretations

16.15–16.45 *Coffee break*

- 16.45 **Dubravko Lovrenović** (Sarajevo)
*The Ottoman Conquest of Bosnia in 1463 as Interpreted
by Franciscan Chroniclers and Historiographers –
(A Historic[a]l Event with Political and Psychological
Ramifications that are still Present Today)*

SATURDAY, 16 NOVEMBER 2013

- Chair: 9.30 **Maria Magdalena Székely/Ştefan S. Gorovei** (Iaşi)
Dubravko Lovrenović
*Vieilles questions, vieux clichés. Nouvelles approches,
nouveaux résultats? Le cas de la Moldavie*
- 10.30 **Pál Fodor** (Budapest)
*The Causes, Objectives, Methods and Consequences
of the Ottoman Conquest in Central Europe (Hungary)
in Comparative Perspective*
- 11.30 **Concluding discussion**

Advance registration is requested