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Ottoman Bank Archives and Research Center

Programme

Monday Lundi 19.06.2006

08:30-09:45 Registration and coffee

09:45-10:15 *Welcome*
Arnoud Vrolijk, President, Melcom International
Sima Benaroya, Vice President, Ottoman Bank Archives and
Research Centre
Announcements
Sara Yontan Musnik, Secretary, Melcom International

10:15-12:15 **Libraries and their collections** (4 papers)

The Bosniak Institute Library in Sarajevo and its collections
Asim Zubčević, Librarian, Faculty of Islamic Studies, University of
Sarajevo

L'Orient méditerranéen à l'époque ottomane : une bibliothèque de
recherche du sud-est français
Maylis Dulois, Service commun de la documentation, Université de
Provence-Aix-Marseille 1

Le fonds judaïca-hébraïca de la bibliothèque Orient-Monde arabe :
histoire et développement
Anne Cathelina-Junqua, Bibliothèque Orient-Monde arabe,
Université Paris III-Sorbonne Nouvelle

The library of Shamil Education and Culture Foundation
Berat Bir Bayraktar, Marmara University

12:15-14 Lunch

14:00-15:30 **Manuscript collections 1** (3 papers)

Islamic minatures of the Topkapı Palace Museum Library
Zeynep Çelik Atbaş, Manuscript curator, Topkapı Palace Museum
Library

The Sakıp Sabancı Calligraphy collection: Transforming a private
collection for inclusion in a museum
Ayşe Aldemir, Curator, Sakıp Sabancı Museum

La collection de manuscrits en écriture arabe de la
Zentralbibliothek Zürich
Tobias Nünlist, Zentralbibliothek Zürich

- 15:30-15:45 [Coffee break](#)
- 15:45-16:15 In search of the 19th Century Ottoman Empire urban life: Glimpses from the Ottoman Bank Archives and Research Center Library
Aylin Beşiryan, Librarian, Ottoman Bank Archives and Research Center Library
&
Visit of the Ottoman Bank Archives and Research Center Library
- 17:30-19:00 Visit of the Sermet Çifter Library and the "Çatalhöyük" Exhibition at the Vedat Nedim Tör Museum (same building)
(registration required)
- 19:00-20:00 [Cocktail at the Sermet Çifter Library](#)
(Courtesy of **Kasım Çelik**, director)

Tuesday Mardi 20.06.2006

- 09:00-11:00 **Manuscripts : material aspects** (4 papers)
- Ideas on determining the age of manuscripts by examining their physical features
Cihan Okuyucu, Professor of Turkish Language and Literature, Fatih University
- How long did it take to copy a manuscript? Some documented examples
Mohammad Isa Waley, British Library
- Conservation works at the Sakıp Sabancı Museum
Nurçin Kural, Curator, Sakıp Sabancı Museum
- New technologies for digitisation of documents and applications in archives and libraries
Türkan Tüzün & Mehmet Tekin Haseki, & Director, Bordo Doküman Sistem, Ankara
- 11:00-11:15 [Coffee break](#)
- 11:15-12:45 **Projects** (3 papers)
- Towards a comprehensive online union catalogue of serials from and about the Middle East: Online Access to Consolidated Information on Serials (OACIS)
Simon Samoeil, Curator, Sterling Memorial Library, Yale University
- Annotated bibliographies of Middle Eastern and Islamic studies: a survey and a new project
Geoffrey Roper, Bibliographical adviser, Institute for the Study of Muslim Civilisations, AKU
- AKDAS : The digital archival system at the Atatürk Library
Hüseyin Türkmen & Nail Bayraktar, Rare books specialists, Atatürk Library

- 12:45-14:15 Lunch
- 14:45-16:00 Visit of Süleymaniye Library
- 16:00-16:15 Tea (Courtesy of Süleymaniye Library)
- 16:15-17:00 Discussion with **Nevzat Kaya**, Süleymaniye Library director :
Sharing ideas and experiences concerning the preservation and
conservation of rare manuscripts
(registration required)
- 19:30 Conference dinner
(registration required)

Wednesday **21.06.2006**

- 09:00-10:30 **Individual manuscripts** (4 papers)
- Two magmû'as from Mostar in the manuscript collection of the
Institute for Oriental Studies in Sarajevo
Leijla Gazić, Research fellow, Institute for Oriental Studies,
Sarajevo
- Sefer Bey Zadenin hikâyeti* and *Hikâyet-i Yahya çelebi* : Two Turkish
manuscripts in two national libraries
Olga Vasilyeva, National Library of Russia
- The illustrated Timurid Shahnama from the Bodleian Library and its
digital version
Firuz Abdullaeva, Lecturer in Persian, University of Oxford
- Colloquial versions of *Qissat uns al-Wujud*: Manuscript as sources
for the study of pre-modern varieties of spoken Arabic
Mark Muehlhaeusler, Aziz S. Atiya Middle East Library, University
of Utah
- 11:00-11:15 Coffee break
- 11:15-12:45 **Manuscript collections 2** (3 papers)
- Georg Jacob Kehr (1692-1740) and his Ottoman manuscripts
Ilya V. Zaytsev, Library for foreign literature, Institute of Oriental
Studies of the Russian Academy of Sciences
- A bibliophile eunuch at the Ottoman Court: Beşir Agha and a
Shahnama of Firdawsî from his library
Zeren Tanındı, Professor of Islamic art history, Uludağ University
- A British family in the Middle East: The Barkers of Aleppo, Smyrna
and Alexandria as revealed by the Barker papers
Paul Auchterlonie, Librarian for Middle East Studies, University of
Exeter
- 12:45-14:30 Lunch

14:30-15:30

Sources and resources (2 papers)

Primary and secondary online resources from Brill Academic Publishers

Anja Van Hoek, Marketing manager, Brill Academic Publishers

Teaching information skills to Middle Eastern studies research students

Mamtimyn Sunuodula, Middle East and East Asian Studies Librarian, Durham University Library

15:30-15:45

Coffee break

15:45-16:45

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