

The **2006**  
**Middle East & Central Asia**  
**Politics, Economics,<sup>and</sup> Society**  
**Conference Sept 7 - 9**  
**University of Utah, Salt Lake City, USA**

**PRELIMINARY PROGRAM** (update: August 25<sup>th</sup>)

**THURSDAY Sept 7<sup>th</sup>**

**REGISTRATION – Union Building 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM**

**THURSDAY Sept 7<sup>th</sup> 10 AM Hinckley Institute OSH Building**

PLENARY PRESENTATION

**“IRAQ & THE MYTHOLOGY OF MARTYRDOM”**

**Prof. Mohammed Hafez, University of Missouri**

**THURSDAY Sept 7<sup>th</sup> 1 PM – 2:40 PM Room: Parlor A**

**Panel i: Hamas, the U.S., & the Israel-Palestine Conflict**

PRESENTATIONS:

*Neorealism and Domestic Environments: Hamas and Palestinian Politics (1988-2006)*

**Micah Lebson** (mlebson@gvpt.umd.edu)

U of Maryland (US)

*Hamas and the Rise of a Religious Political Party*

**Ioana E. Matesan** (ioana.matesan@asu.edu, friedensgeist@yahoo.com)

Arizona State U (US)

*Palestinian Refugees and Right of Return in Aftermath of Hamas Electoral Victory*

**JoAnn DiGiorgio-Lutz** (joann\_lutz@tamu-commerce.edu)

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MODERATOR:

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**THURSDAY Sept 7<sup>th</sup> 1 PM – 2:40 PM Room: Collegiate**

**Panel ii: Reform & Corruption in Central Asia & Caucasus**

PRESENTATIONS:

*Civil Service Views on Official Corruption & Leadership in Georgia*

**Angela Hawken** (angela.hawken@pepperdine.edu)

Pepperdine U (US)

**Jonathan D. Kulick** (kulick@rand.org)

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*Kyrgyzstan: A Leader in Reforms or a Failing State?*

**Baktybek Abdrisaev** (abdrisba@uvsc.edu)

Utah Valley State College (US)

*The Problem of Corruption in Kyrgyzstan and Ways to Solve it*

**Kubanychbek Omuraliev** (omuraliev@kpac.kg)

KPAC (Kyrgyzstan)

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Samarqand State Institute of Foreign Languages (Uzbekistan)

**THURSDAY Sept 7<sup>th</sup> 3 PM – 4:40 PM Room: Parlor A**

**Panel iv: Terrorism, the State, & International Security**

PRESENTATIONS:

*Virtual Ideology and the Rival Discourses of ‘Jihad’ and ‘Resistance’: Jihadist Web Forums and the Conflict between Israel and Hezbollah*

**Daniel Kimmage** (daniel.kimmage@gmail.com)

Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty (US)

*Causes of the Reproduction of Terrorism in Western Thought & Action*

**Rodrigo G. Guimaraes** (rodrigo@rosana.unesp.br)

São Paulo State U (Brazil)

*A Pendulum of Legitimacy? Musings on the Middle East & Terrorism*

**Rachael M. Rudolph** (rachaelrudolph@mindspring.com)

West Virginia U (US)

*Terrorism, Security, and Conceptions of the State: Expanding Realism for an Era of Evolving International Violence*

**Alexandre S. Wilner** (awilner@dal.ca)

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MODERATOR:

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U of Missouri (US)

**THURSDAY Sept 7<sup>th</sup> 3 PM – 4:40 PM Room: Parlor B**

**Panel v: Energy and International Security in China & Central Asia**

PRESENTATIONS:

*Central Eurasia's Energy Strategy & Security in Comparative Perspective*

**Teymur Huseynov** (teymur2001@yahoo.com)  
London School of Economics and Political Science (UK)

*Assessment of Kazakhstan's Energy and Foreign Policy Nexus*

**Saltanat Berdikееva** (sberdikееva@davismanafort.com)  
Davis Manafort, Inc. (US)

*Securing Oil Supply for a Growing Economy: China's Foreign Policy towards the Middle East*

**Khalid Hilal** (khalid.hilal@gmail.com)  
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**THURSDAY Sept 7<sup>th</sup> 3 PM – 4:40 PM Room: Collegiate**

**Panel vi: Comparative Studies on Social & Economic Development**

PRESENTATIONS:

*A Herders' Government? The Social Origins of Contemporary Mongolian Politicians*

**Linda Gardelle** (linda.gardelle@malix.univ-paris1.fr)  
U of Paris-Sorbonne (France)

*Economic Development and its Socioeconomic and Political Effects: Southeast Anatolian Project and Harran Region of Turkey*

**Cihan Bozkus** (cihan.bozkus@soc.utah.edu)  
U of Utah (US)

*HIV/AIDS in the Middle East: Current Trends and Future Prospects*

**Mohamed El Dahshan** (mohamed\_el\_dahshan@ksg07.harvard.edu)  
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MODERATOR:

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**THURSDAY Sept 7<sup>th</sup> 3 PM – 4:40 PM Room: Union 411**

**Panel vii: Gender Studies of the Middle East**

PRESENTATIONS:

*Socio-economic and Cultural Constraints behind Women's Labor Force Participation in Turkey*

**Umut Bespinar-Ekici** (ube@mail.la.utexas.edu)  
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*Polygyny in Kuwait: A Sociological Perspective*

**Fahad Al Naser** (alnaser1956@hotmail.com)  
Kuwait U (Kuwait)

*Examining the Rhetorical History of Iraqi Women in U.S. Foreign Policy Discourse*

**James C. Bunker** (jbunker74@yahoo.com)  
U of Utah (US)

*Between 'Alafranga' and 'Alaturka', Femme Fatale and Chaste Woman: Westernization and Gender in Early Turkish Novels*

**Hulya Yildiz** (hulya@mail.utexas.edu)  
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**THURSDAY Sept 7<sup>th</sup> 3:30 PM Union Theatre**

**Movie:** *The Road to Kerbala* (Katia Jaroura, 53 min, 2005)

The filmmaker joins religious celebrants on a 100-km walk from Baghdad to Kerbala, where she witnesses expressions of religious fervor, denunciations of Saddam's former regime, protests against the US occupation, and support for the Shi'a Mahdi Army.

**THURSDAY Sept 7<sup>th</sup> 4:30 PM Hinckley Institute OSH Building**

Reza Ali Khazeni Memorial Foundation Presentation:

*Qalandar Mast: Baluchi Trance Music*

**Prof. Jean During**, National Center for Scientific Research (France)

**THURSDAY Sept 7<sup>th</sup> 5 PM – 6:40 PM Room: Parlor A**

**Panel viii: Human Rights and Democratization in the Post-9/11 World**

PRESENTATIONS:

*Whither Democracy and Human Rights in the Middle East?*

**Emile Sahliyah** (sahliyah@unt.edu)

U of North Texas (US)

*Democracy Promotion in a Post-9/11 World: An Analysis of the Broader Middle East & North Africa Initiative (BMENAI)*

**Ismail Yaylaci** (ismailyaylaci@yahoo.com)

Bogazici U (Turkey)

*Democratization in Central Asia? The Failure of American Institutionalism*

**Alan Cordova** (06arc\_2@williams.edu)

Williams College (US)

*Democracy Promotion in Central Asia: U.S. Foreign Policy Options in Kazakhstan and Turkmenistan*

**Marina Mateski** (marina\_filonenko@yahoo.com)

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**THURSDAY Sept 7<sup>th</sup> 5 PM – 6:40 PM Room: Parlor B**

**Panel ix: Perspectives on Turkey-EU Relations (1)**

PRESENTATIONS:

*Culture, Subjectivity, Psychosis, and Turkey's Relations with the EU*

**Sadeq Rahimi** (sadeq\_rahimi@hms.harvard.edu)

Harvard U (US)

*Turkish Identity and Europe*

**Zeynep Guler** (zeynep.guler@gmail.com)

Istanbul U (Turkey)

*Turkey-EU Relations: Implications with Respect to Political Islam and the Kurdish Quandary*

**Deniz Gokalp** (dgokalp@prc.utexas.edu, gokalpdniz@gmail.com)

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**Seda Unsar** (unsar@usc.edu, seda.unsar@gmail.com)

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*The New Ultra-nationalism and the Kizilelma Coalition in Turkey*

**Emrullah Uslu** (emrullahuslu@gmail.com)

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Bilkent U (Turkey)

**THURSDAY Sept 7<sup>th</sup> 5 PM – 6:40 PM Room: Collegiate**

**Panel x: Natural Resources, Conflict, & Security Studies**

PRESENTATIONS:

*The Securitization of Natural Resources in the Arab Middle East: Egyptian Security Perception of the River Nile*

**Yasmine Farouk** (samokka@yahoo.com)

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*Water Scarcity, Conflict and Development: A Comparative Analysis of Turkey, Syria, and Iraq*

**Amal I. Khoury** (amal.khoury@american.edu)

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**Mounah S. Abdel-Samad** (ma7995@albany.edu)

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*More Oil, Less Democracy? Theory & Evidence from Crude Oil Discoveries*

**Kevin K. Tsui** (ktsui@uchicago.edu)

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*Security, Energy, & Trade: The EU's New Foreign Policy Toward Central Asia*

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**THURSDAY Sept 7<sup>th</sup> 5 PM – 6:40 PM Room: Union 411**

**Panel xi: Language, Tradition, & the Arts in Eurasia**

PRESENTATIONS:

*Central Asian Crafts and the Perception of 'Tradition'*

**Jeanine E. Dagyeli** (jeanine.dagyeli@owz.uni-halle.de)  
Martin Luther U (Germany)

*The Naqshbandi Impact on Caucasus and Central Asia*

**Nahian Taha** (shimu\_t@hotmail.com)  
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*Arab Theatre and the Symbiosis between Cultural and Economic Development*

**Jason S. Alexander** (j.s.alexander@utah.edu, jasonalexander75@yahoo.com)  
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*An Introduction to Latin-Script Uyghur*

**Waris A. Janbaz** (warisabdukerim@yahoo.com)  
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**Jean R. Duval** (rahmanjean@yahoo.com)  
OECD (France)

*Russian Orientalism and Oriental Studies during Peter the Great Era*

**Mustafa Ozbas** (ozbas@metu.edu.tr)  
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**THURSDAY Sept 7<sup>th</sup> 5:30 PM Union Theatre**

**Movie:** *Bride Kidnapping in Kyrgyzstan* (Petr Lom, 51 min., 2004)

The first film to document the ancient custom of bride kidnapping in Central Asia, a tradition formally outlawed in Kyrgyzstan since 1994, though rarely enforced.

**THURSDAY Sept 7<sup>th</sup> 7 PM Utah Museum of Fine Arts**

DINNER & ENTERTAINMENT: TBA

**FRIDAY Sept 8<sup>th</sup> 9 AM – 10:40 AM Room: Parlor A**

**Panel xii: Conflict, Peace, & the Arab-Israeli Security Dilemma**

PRESENTATIONS:

*The Oslo Peace Accord: A Case Study in Conflict Resolution and Religious Fundamentalism*

**Orna Almog** (o\_almog@hotmail.com)

Kingston U (UK)

*Between Machiavellian Leaders and the Arab–Israeli Conflict*

**Sapir Handelman** (handelm@fas.harvard.edu)

Harvard U & Walter Eucken Institute (US/Germany)

**Christoph Sprich** (sprich@walter-eucken-institut.de)

Freiburg U & Waler Eucken Institute (Germany)

*Hizballah and the Iran Connection: Rhetoric and Reality*

**Kristian Alexander** (k.alexander@utah.edu)

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*Enhancing the Prospect of Peace through Economic Development in the Palestinian Territories*

**Nicole George** (nicole.george@asu.edu)

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*The EU and the Middle East Peace Process in the Post-9/11 Era*

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**FRIDAY Sept 8<sup>th</sup> 9 AM – 10:40 AM Room: Parlor B**

**Panel xiii: Comparative Studies of War and Political Violence**

PRESENTATIONS:

*The Impact of War on the Sufi Masuleums in Afghanistan*

**Zahid Anwar** (zk2112@columbia.edu)

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*The Last Warlord: Shamil Basayev and the Chechen War*

**Dodge Billingsley** (dodge@combatfilms.com)

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*Violence in More than One Front in the Sudan: Darfur Before & After*

**Abdullahi A. Gallab** (abdullahi.gallab@asu.edu)

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MODERATOR:

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U of Manitoba (Canada)

**FRIDAY Sept 8<sup>th</sup> 9 AM – 10:40 AM Room: Collegiate**

**Panel xiv: Islamic Banking, Legal, & Education Systems**

PRESENTATIONS:

*Rise of Islamic Banking and Finance in Central Asia: The Case of the Islamic Development Bank*

**Geoffrey Gresh** (geoffrey.gresh@tufts.edu)

Tufts U (US)

*Islamic Banking by Judiciary? A Pakistan Case Study*

**Feisal Khan** (khan@hws.edu)

Hobart & William Smith Colleges (US)

*Legal Territoriality and Islamic Universalism: A Commentary on Iran's Islamization of the Law*

**Mehran Tamadonfar** (mehran.tamadonfar@unlv.edu)

U of Nevada-Las Vegas (US)

*Modernity and Authenticity in Islam: The Case of al-Azhar University*

**Souad T. Ali** (souad.ali@asu.edu)

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US State Dept. (US)

**FRIDAY Sept 8<sup>th</sup> 11 AM – 12:30 AM Room: Saltair**

PLENARY PRESENTATION

**“CHINA FACES CENTRAL ASIA:  
A NEW CHAPTER IN THE GREAT GAME?”**

**Prof. Dru Gladney**, University of Hawaii-Manoa

**FRIDAY Sept 8<sup>th</sup> 2 PM – 3:40 PM Room: Parlor A**

**Panel xv: Impacts of the Post-Communist 'Color Revolutions' on Central Asia**

PRESENTATIONS:

*Tajikistan's Reaction to the Color Revolutions: Use and Limitations of Meta-theory and Metaphors*

**Jonathan K. Zartman** (jzartman@securenym.net)  
Samarkand State Institute of Foreign Languages (Uzbekistan)

*Theorizing 'Color Revolutions': The Cases of Ukraine & Kyrgyzstan*

**Nadiya Kravets** (nadiyakravets@yahoo.com)  
U of Oxford (UK)

*Relationship between Political Instability & Civil Society in Central Asia*

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**Zbigniew Broniszewski** (zrb82@yahoo.com)  
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U of Minnesota (US)

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U C. Berkeley (US)

**FRIDAY Sept 8<sup>th</sup> 2 PM – 3:40 PM Room: Parlor B**

**Panel xvi: Studies on Nationalism and Multiculturalism in Turkey**

PRESENTATIONS:

*Past for Politics: The Use of History by Turkish Nationalists in the 1990s*

**Kilic Bugra Kanat** (kbkanat@maxwell.syr.edu)  
Syracuse U (US)

*Understanding the 'Other': Attitudes towards Interreligious Dialogue in Turkey*

**Mehmet Alici** (mehmetalici79@yahoo.com)  
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*A Socially Mobilized and Closed Minority? An Analysis of the Nusayris of Turkey*

**Eylem Ozdemir** (ozdemireylem@yahoo.com)  
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*Inter-religious Education in Turkey in the Process of EU Accession*

**Ayse Zisan Furat** (zisanf@istanbul.edu.tr)  
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**FRIDAY Sept 8<sup>th</sup> 2 PM – 3:40 PM Room: Collegiate**

**Panel xvii: Islam and its Representations in Europe & the United States**

PRESENTATIONS:

*Muslim Political Representation at the Subnational Level: A Case Study of Britain*

**Eren Tatari** (etatari@indiana.edu)

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*The New 'Other' of the West? The Rise of Islamophobia in Europe*

**Bekir Berat Ozipek** (bekirberat@yahoo.com)

Gaziosmanpasa U (Turkey)

*The Representation of Muslims and Islam In 'The Arizona Republic' Newspaper (2005-06)*

**Ali Amin** (aleejtr77@yahoo.com)

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*Palestine in the American Mind*

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**FRIDAY Sept 8<sup>th</sup> 2 PM – 3:40 PM Room: Union 411**

**Panel xviii: Governance, Custom, & Development in Iraq**

PRESENTATIONS:

*Governance, Custom and the Tribal Conundrum in British Mandatory Iraq*

**James Redman** (james.redman@anthro.utah.edu)

U of Utah (US)

*Assessing Development Under Conflict: The Iraq Example*

**Catherine Elkins** (celkins@rti.org)

RTI International (US)

*Democratization and Combating Global Terrorism: Comparative Views on Iraq and Afghanistan*

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U of Notre Dame (US)

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**FRIDAY Sept 8<sup>th</sup> 2:45 PM Union Theatre**

**Movie:** *20 Year-olds in the Middle East* (Agal Moghaizel, 52 min, 2003)

This film takes the pulse of the Middle East youth by traversing the region from Jordan to Syria, Iran, and Lebanon.

**FRIDAY Sept 8<sup>th</sup> 4 PM – 5:40 PM Room: Parlor A**

**Panel xix: Past and Present of U.S.-Iran Relations**

PRESENTATIONS:

*Seeking the Center: The Reagan Administration, Iran, and the Ideological Divide*

**Scott D. Parker** (sdparker@unr.edu, scott.d.parker@worldnet.att.net)  
U of Nevada-Reno (US)

*The U.S. 'War on Terror' and Iranian Foreign Policy Objectives*

**Marsha B. Cohen** (marsha.cohen@fiu.edu)  
Florida International U (US)

*Iran-U.S. Missed Opportunities for Strategic Cooperation in Afghanistan*

**Hadi Hosainy** (hadi@su.sabanciuniv.edu)  
Sabanci U (Turkey)

*A U.S.-Iran Peace Proposal*

**Rachael M. Rudolph** (rachaelrudolph@mindspring.com)  
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**Kyle M. Christensen** (kyle.christensen@mail.wvu.edu)  
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**FRIDAY Sept 8<sup>th</sup> 4 PM – 5:40 PM Room: Parlor B**

**Panel xx: Communications & Media in the Middle East**

PRESENTATIONS:

*Arabs in the Third World Communication Revolution: The Dawning of a Semi-liberal Communicaiton Age*

**Issam S. Mousa** (issam@yu.edu.jo)  
U of Graduate Studies (Jordan)

*Manufacturing Reality: News Production & Arab Journalism on Satellite TV*

**Courtney Radsch** (cradsch@gmail.com)  
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*Regarding Big Brother: The Emerging Public Sphere in Bahrain*

**Zofin Taher** (tahez078@newschool.edu)  
New School U (US)

*'Kofi on Their Mind': Coverage of the U.N. in Leading Arab Newspapers*

**Jan Volkel** (voelkelj@web.de)  
Arnold Bergstraesser Institute (Germany)

*A Barrier with Many Names: Media Portrayals of the West Bank Wall*

**Shelley Blagg** (sblagged@hotmail.com)  
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**FRIDAY Sept 8<sup>th</sup> 4 PM – 5:40 PM Room: Collegiate**

**Panel xxi: Egypt and Jordan: Historical and Contemporary Issues**

PRESENTATIONS:

*Negotiation of Space in British Colonial Egypt*

**Rebecca Granato** (rebecca.granato@gmail.com)  
City U of New York (US)

*The Reality and Rhetoric of 'National Unity' and Communal Relations in Contemporary Egypt*

**Fiona McCallum** (fm25@st-andrews.ac.uk)  
U of St. Andrews (UK)

*International Dimensions of Authoritarianism: How Jordan's Hashemite Monarchy Endures*

**Sean Yom** (yom@fas.harvard.edu)  
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**FRIDAY Sept 8<sup>th</sup> 4 PM – 5:40 PM Room: Union 411**

## **Panel xxii: Perspectives on the Economy and Military in Turkey**

PRESENTATIONS:

*Political Business Cycles and Defence Expenditure in Turkey*

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Pamukkale U (Turkey)

**Sennur Sezgin** (ssezgin@pamukkale.edu.tr)

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*The New Welfare Regime in Turkey*

**Adem Y. Elveren** (adem.elveren@utah.edu)

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*Application of Balance of Payments-Constrained Growth Model to the Turkish Economy (1980-2005)*

**Secil Pacaci** (pacaci@economics.utah.edu)

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*Economic Transformation through Military Intervention: The September 12th Military Coup of Turkey (1980)*

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**FRIDAY Sept 8<sup>th</sup> 5:30 PM OSH Auditorium**

**Movie:** *'Atash' (Thirst)* (Palestine/Israel, Tawfik Abu Wael, 110 min, 2004)

Abu Shukri, a middle-aged Palestinian man, and his family are squatters at an abandoned Israeli military outpost with no running water or electricity. The family has decided to live this way to escape the presumed shame of an affair which a daughter had had. To earn money, the household sells charcoal. Their lives are about to change, so they think.

**FRIDAY Sept 8<sup>th</sup> 6:30 PM Utah Museum of Fine Arts**

REZA ALI KHAZENI MEMORIAL FOUNDATION PRESENTATION

**“PERSIAN MUSIC TODAY:  
CHALLENGES AND PERSPECTIVES”**

**Prof. Jean During**, National Center for Scientific Research (France)

(followed by Persian feast)

**SATURDAY Sept 9<sup>th</sup> 9:00 AM – 10:40 AM Room: Parlor A**

**Panel xxiii: Perspectives on Turkey-EU Relations (2)**

PRESENTATIONS:

*Turkey's EU Accession Process and Democratization: A Content Analysis of Parliamentary Debates (1994-2002)*

**Saban Taniyici** (staniyici@mail.mku.edu.tr)  
Mustafa Kemal U (Turkey)

*European Leverage in Constitutional & Penal Code Reforms in Turkey  
(Backstreets of Turkey photo exhibit in lobby)*

**Aziza Khatoon** (aziza\_maheen@yahoo.com)  
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*Turkey and the EU in the Wake of the US-led War in Iraq*

**Tarik Oguzlu** (oguzlu@bilkent.edu.tr)  
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*Turkey's Reaction to International Crises and Its Compatibility with EU's Common Foreign and Security Policy*

**Armagan Gozkaman** (gozkaman@itu.edu.tr)  
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**SATURDAY Sept 9<sup>th</sup> 9:00 AM – 10:40 AM Room: Parlor B**

**Panel xxiv: Political Islam in Southeast & Central Asia**

PRESENTATIONS:

*Explaining Islamic Mobilization in Central Asia*

**Kathleen Collins** (kcollins@polisci.umn.edu)  
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*Islam and the International Relations of Central Asia: Regional and Global Discourse on Security*

**Mohiaddin Mesbahi** (mesbahim@fiu.edu)  
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*The Invention of Akromiya in Uzbekistan*

**Sarah Kendzior** (skendzior@yahoo.com)  
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*Transnationalism and Re-intellectualization of Islam in Bangladesh*

**Sharmin Sadequee** (ssadequee@hotmail.com)  
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**SATURDAY Sept 9<sup>th</sup> 9:00 AM – 10:40 AM Room: Collegiate**

### **Panel xxv: Refugees, Diaspora, & the Displaced**

PRESENTATIONS:

*A Sociological Analysis of Social Confidence Among Iranian Migrants in Canada*

**Mahmood Ketabi** (mahmoodketabi@yahoo.com)  
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**Vahid Ghasemi** (vaghasemi@yahoo.com)  
U of Isfahan (Iran)

*An Overview of Iranian Refugees in Turkey*

**Merve Calhan** (mervecalhan@yahoo.com)  
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*Reconsidering Ethnic(ized) Population Displacement: Social Exclusion, Rights and Mobilization*

**Deniz Gokalp** (dgokalp@prc.utexas.edu)  
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*Dual Identities, Dual Histories, Unique Statehood: Discussing Citizenship Formulations for the Re-integrated Cyprus*

**Huseyin Alptekin** (halptekin@ku.edu.tr)  
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MODERATOR:

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**SATURDAY Sept 9<sup>th</sup> 9:00 AM – 10:40 AM Room: Union 411**

**Panel xxvi: U.S. Foreign Policy and Eurasia**

(Undergraduate Panel)

PRESENTATIONS:

*Prospects of Nation Building in Afghanistan: A Unity Government vs. the Taliban and Al-Qaeda*

**Sylvester Allison** (franchyz44@aol.com)

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*Liberal and Conservative Characterizations of the U.S.-led Invasions of Afghanistan and Iraq*

**Glenn Stucki** (10296977@uvlink.uvsc.edu)

Utah Valley State College (US)

*A Nuclear Iran? Confrontations with the U.S. and UN*

**Cassi Mathews** (m.cassi@excite.com)

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*Analysis and Update on the Political Conflict in Lebanon*

**Lori Draper** (llededen@yahoo.com)

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*A Democratic Azerbaijan? Problems with the November 2005 Elections and the Nagorno-Karabakh Conflict*

**Emily Oldham** (eoldham413@aol.com)

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**SATURDAY Sept 9<sup>th</sup> 11 AM Room: Saltair**

PLENARY PRESENTATION

**“WHAT WENT WRONG WITH  
U.S. FOREIGN POLICY?  
(AND HOW TO FIX IT)”**

**Prof. Stephen Walt**, Harvard University

LUNCH: Union Patio

**SATURDAY Sept 9<sup>th</sup> 2:30 PM – 4:10 PM Room: Parlor A**

**Panel xxvii: EU & U.S. Policies on WMD and Iran**

PRESENTATIONS:

*The Hunt for WMD and Failure of American Intelligence in Iraq: Implications for U.S.-Iran Relations*

**John Miglietta** (jmiglietta@Tnstate.edu)

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*'Dear Dubya': Ahmedinejad Speaks to Bush*

**Lasha Tchamouridzé** (tchantou@ms.umanitoba.ca)

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*The Good, the Bad, and the Irrelevant Nukes: A MAS Model of the Effect of the Iranian Nuclear Program on International Security*

**S. Mohammad Mussavi-Rizi** (smussavi@gmu.edu)

George Mason U (US)

*The Effect of Earthquakes on State Policy in Iran: Physical and Political Vulnerabilities*

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**SATURDAY Sept 9<sup>th</sup> 2:30 PM – 4:10 PM Room: Parlor B**

**Panel xxviii: Gender, Tradition, & Religion in Central Asia**

PRESENTATIONS:

*Status of Gender Studies Among Transitional States of Central Asia*

**Dinara Alimdjanova** (alimdjanova@yahoo.com)

UNDP (Bangladesh)

*Muslim Female Leaders: The Case of Otinchalar of the Ferghana Valley*

**Svetlana Peshkova** (speshkov@maxwell.syr.edu)

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*Influence of Tradition and Religion on Social Status of Women: An Uzbekistan Case Study*

**Mukarram Igamberdieva** (mukarram@mail.ru)

Adolat (NGO) (Uzbekistan)

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**SATURDAY Sept 9<sup>th</sup> 2:30 PM – 4:10 PM Room: Collegiate**

**Panel xxix: Politics of Civil Society in Eurasia**

PRESENTATIONS:

*Civil Society and Democratization: The Role of NGO's in Post-Soviet Kyrgyzstan*  
**Gokhan Alper Ataser** (alper.ataser@gmail.com)  
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*Contemporary Problems of Civil Society Development in Uzbekistan*  
**Viktoriya Levinskaya** (vlevinskaya@yahoo.com)  
Westminster International U-Tashkent (Uzbekistan)

*The Interaction between Foreign and National NGOs in Turkey in the Realms of Democratization and Human Rights*  
**Bican Sahin** (bican@hacettepe.edu.tr)  
Hacettepe U (Turkey)  
**Mete Yildiz** (myildiz@hacettepe.edu.tr)  
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**SATURDAY Sept 9<sup>th</sup> 2:30 PM – 4:10 PM Room: Union 411**

**Panel xxx: Studies of the State, Society, and Economic Liberalization**

PRESENTATIONS:

*Workers' Interests and Social Rights between Structural Adjustments and Political Reforms: Trade Union Politics in the Middle East*  
**Christian M. Brüttsch** (cb@pw.unizh.ch)  
U of Zurich (Switzerland)

*The State, Private Sector Institutions, & Economic Liberalization in Algeria*  
**Hakim Boulhares** (hakim.boulhares@iue.it)  
European U Institute (Italy)

*Fiscal Policy in a Neoliberal Era: The Example of Turkey*  
**Rojhat Berdan Avsar** (avsar@economics.utah.edu)  
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**SATURDAY Sept 9<sup>th</sup> 3 PM Union Theatre**

**Movie:** *Shirin Ebadi: A Simple Lawyer* (Bani Khoshnoudi, 49 min, 2003)

This film profiles the Nobel Peace Prize and Iranian Lawyer, Shirin Ebadi, through an in-depth interview conducted in her Tehran office.

**SATURDAY Sept 9<sup>th</sup> 4:30 PM – 6:10 PM Room: Parlor A**

**Panel xxxi: Comparative Studies of Migration & Dispora**

PRESENTATIONS:

*An Analysis of Demographic and Migration Processes in Central Asia*

**Uranbek Ergeshbaev** (uranbek65@mail.ru)  
Osh State U (Kyrgyzstan)

*Kazakhs in Mongolia: A Nationalizing Diaspora or an Ethnicizing Minority?*

**Alexander Diener** (alexander.diener@pepperdine.edu)  
Pepperdine U (US)

*The Many Faces of Uzbekistan's National Diaspora*

**Bo Petersson** (bo.petersson@svet.lu.se)  
Lund U (Sweden)

*'Getting to Know You': Mental Health Treatment of Muslim-American Clients*

**Dwight Hurst** (dwight.hurst@datc.net)  
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**SATURDAY Sept 9<sup>th</sup> 4:30 PM – 6:10 PM Room: Parlor B**

**Panel xxxii: Analyses of Regionalism, Trade, & Economic Agreements in Euraisa**

PRESENTATIONS:

*Who Delegates Sovereignty? Comparing Russian Economic Relations with Kazakhstan and Turkmenistan*

**Kathleen J. Hancock** (khancock@khancock.com)  
U of Texas-San Antonio (US)

*Iran-Azerbaijan Relations & Impact on Caucasus Regional Stability*

**Njdeh Asisian** (drpolitics7@yahoo.com, njdeh.asisian@us.army.mil)  
US Army Foreign Military Studies (US)

*Xinjiang Uygur Autonomous Region and Its Role in Economic Cooperation in Greater Central Asia*

**Robert Guang Tian** (rtian@medaille.edu)  
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MODERATOR:

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U of Manitoba (Canada)

DISCUSSANT:

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**SATURDAY Sept 9<sup>th</sup> 4:30 PM – 6:10 PM Room: Collegiate**

**Panel xxxiii: Religion and State-Society Relations**

PRESENTATIONS:

*Actual and Creative Conceptual Evolution in Relation to State and Society in Islam*

**Richard Khuri** (richard.khuri@lau.edu.lb)  
Lebanese American U (Lebanon)

*Making of the Khilāfah (Vicegerency) and its Superstructure: Politics through Non-political Eyes*

**Abdul Kabir Hussain Solihu** (kabir@iiu.edu.my)  
International Islamic U (Malaysia)

*When Mullahs Ride the Airwaves: Muslim Televangelists and the Repackaging of Islam*

**Nabil Echchaibi** (nechchai@indiana.edu)  
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*States and State Religions: Patterns of Experience in Jewish, Christian and Islamic Societies*

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**SATURDAY Sept 9<sup>th</sup> 4:30 PM – 6:10 PM Room: Union 411**

**Panel xxxiv: Reformists, Minorities and the Dynamics of Iranian Politics**

PRESENTATIONS:

*Demystifying Power Relations: Iranian Reformists Challenging Theocracy*

**Bjørn O. Utvik** (b.o.utvik@ikos.uio.no)

U of Oslo (Norway)

*Internal Power and External Enemies: Modern Iranian Intellectuals and Self-determination*

**Wendy DeSouza** (joshwendy@hotmail.com)

U of California-Los Angeles (US)

*Globalization and the Kurdish Problem in Iran*

**Khaled Tavakoli** (khaled\_tavakoli@yahoo.com)

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*The Increasing Assertiveness of Iran's Ethnic & Religious Minorities*

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**SATURDAY Sept 9<sup>th</sup> 4:30 PM OSH Auditorium**

**Movie:** *Border Café* (Iran, Kambozia Partovi, 105 min, 2005)

Reyhan, a young mother of two, faces a difficult choice when her husband dies: Marry her brother-in-law, Nasser, in exchange for financial support for her kids or keep her pride and seek economic hardship to support her family. Despite Nasser's threats, Reyhan reopens her husband's café, on the highway near Iran's border with Turkey. Reyhan's success only angers Nasser. Can Nasser's threats be more than she can resist?

**SATURDAY Sept 9<sup>th</sup> 6:30 PM Utah Museum of Fine Arts**

DINNER & ...

**“Middle Eastern & Central Asian Music and Dance Extravaganza”**

**Lloyd & Katherine Miller**

**SUNDAY Sept 10<sup>th</sup> 10:30 AM Salt Lake City**

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