



# SACRED PLACES, EMERGING SPACES: PILGRIMS, SAINTS AND SCHOLARS IN THE CAUCASUS AND BEYOND

## Conference

Jena, October 9-10, 2015

## Friedrich Schiller University, Jena

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## Program

### October 9<sup>th</sup>, Friday

9.15 - 10.00 am

#### **WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION**

*THEDE KAHL* (SLAVONIC STUDIES, JENA)

*FLORIAN MÜHLFRIED, TSYPYLMA DARIEVA* (CAUCASUS STUDIES, JENA)

*coffee break*

10.30 - 12.30 pm

#### **PANEL I: PILGRIMAGES AND NETWORKS**

CHAIR: *GAYANE SHAGOYAN* (YEREVAN)

THE CHAIN OF SEVEN PILGRIMAGES IN KOTAİK, ARMENIA. REVIVING OR INVENTING TRADITION? *LEVON ABRAHAMIAN* (YEREVAN)

FROM COMMUNITY CULT TO RELIGIOUS NETWORK: A NEW PILGRIMAGE SITE IN TRANSCARPATHIAN UKRAINE AND BEYOND, *AGNIESZKA HALEMBA* (WARSAW)

LANDSCAPE, RITUAL, GENDER AND SOCIAL SPACE IN UPPER SVANETIA, *KEVIN TUIE* (MONTRÉAL)

*lunch*

2 - 4 pm

#### **PANEL II: LOCALITY AND INFORMALITY**

CHAIR: *SERGEY SHTYRKOV* (ST. PETERSBURG)

SHIFTING ABKHAZ RELIGION: FROM LOCAL CHRISTIAN CULT TO NATIVIST NEO-PAGANISM, *IGOR KUZNETSOV* (KRASNODAR)

ACCOMPANYING THE DEAD SOULS – TRANSFORMING SACRAL TIME AND ENCOUNTERS, *HEGE TOJE* (BERGEN)

MURIDS AS NEW RELIGIOUS MEDIATORS: INFORMAL RELIGIOUS PRACTICES AND SOCIAL TRANSFORMATIONS IN YEZIDI COMMUNITY, *HAMLET MELKUMYAN* (YEREVAN)

*coffee break*



4.30 - 6.30 pm

**PANEL III: SAINTS AND SCHOLARS**

CHAIR: MARIA LOUW (AARHUS)

BETWEEN ‚GREAT‘ AND ‚SMALL‘ TRADITIONS? SITUATING SHIA SAINTS AND SHRINES IN CONTEMPORARY BAKU,  
*TSYPLYMA DARIEVA* (JENA)

HYBRID VS. TRADITIONAL RELIGIOUS PRACTICES AND NARRATIVES: NETWORKS OF MUSLIM SHRINES IN POST-SOVIET DAGESTAN,  
*VLADIMIR BOBROVNIKOV* (MOSCOW)

STATE LAW OR THE SPIRITS - WHO IS PROTECTING SIBERIAN SACRED SITES?  
*STEPHAN DUDECK* (ROVANIEMI)

*dinner*

**October 10<sup>th</sup>, Saturday**

10 am - 12 pm

**PANEL IV: ENCOUNTERS AND REPRESENTATIONS**

CHAIR: BRUCE GRANT (NEW YORK CITY)

NOT SHARING THE SACRA, *FLORIAN MÜHLFRIED* (JENA)

INGILOYS AND SACRED RITUALS, *NINO AIVAZISHVILI* (HALLE/SAALE)

SHARING THE NOT SACRED: RABATI AND THE DISPLAY OF MULTICULTURALISM,  
*SILVIA SERRANO* (PARIS)

*lunch*

2 - 4 pm

**FINAL DISCUSSION**

CHAIR: KEVIN TUITE (MONTRÉAL)

*reception and dinner*