



Mediterranean Mobilities and Borders

Istanbul, 21-24 June 2018



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The workshop is part of an endeavor by the DFG-supported academic network "A Modern Mediterranean: Dynamics of a World Region, 1800-2000" and its partners to tie together the often disparate histories *around* the Mediterranean to a history *of* the Mediterranean in modern times. Rather than postulating a unity and specificity of the region though, we understand the Mediterranean as a contact zone between Africa, Asia, and Europe, which is in turn intertwined with other spaces of interaction. Within this endeavor, the workshop aims to clarify the nature and quality of mobilities around and across the modern Mediterranean as well as their limits.

With the advent of steamships, the region saw mobility on an unprecedented scale, accelerating the movement of goods, ideas, and people. Migratory movements, tourism, and pilgrimages evolved into mass phenomena, but so did the regulatory mechanisms aimed at curbing, channeling, or exploiting mobility. The workshop will investigate the interactions and interdependencies of modern Mediterranean mobilities with aspects of power, with class, gender, and generational identities, and with images of the region. It aims to develop a common perspective on these mobilities.

21 June 2018

19:00 Opening Talk

Valeska Huber (Freie Universität Berlin)

Channels of Communication: Connections and their Limits in the Suez Canal Region 1869-1914

22 June 2018

10:00 Words of Welcome / Introduction

Melike Şahinöl (Orient-Institut Istanbul), **Manuel Borutta** (Ruhr University Bochum),

Malte Fuhrmann (Istanbul Bilgi University)

10:30 Avenues of Exploration in the Study of Mediterranean Interaction in History

Chair: Esther Möller (UniBw Munich / Leibniz Institute of European History, Mainz)

Nora Lafi (Leibniz Zentrum Moderner Orient, Berlin)

Mediterranean Migration in Longue Durée Perspective

Murat Dağlı (Istanbul Bilgi University)

From Early-Modern to Modern: Where is the Mediterranean in Ottoman Historiography?

12:30 Lunch Break

14:30 Late Ottoman Landscapes and Entanglements

Chair: Christian Saßmannshausen (Freie Universität Berlin)

Paolo Giradelli (Boğaziçi University, Istanbul)

Migrating Eastward at the Threshold of Modernity. Perspectives on the Italian - Ottoman Contact beyond the Trading Paradigm

C. Ceyhun Arslan (Koç University, Istanbul)

Theorizing the Mediterranean via Late Ottoman Travel Writings

İlay Örs Romain (Istanbul Bilgi University)

Cosmopolitan Enclaves Compared: Notes on Some Cultural Geographies in Istanbul

Matthew Ghazarian (Columbia University, New York / Orient-Institut Istanbul)

Communal Boundaries in the Ottoman East

17:00 Walking Tour

Malte Fuhrmann (Istanbul Bilgi University, European Institute)

Sykae-Galata-Pera: A Port District as Site of Otherness

23 June 2018

10:00 Moving, Being Moved, or Stranded around the Mediterranean

Chair: Jasmin Daam (University of Kassel)

Veruschka Wagner (Turkish-German University, Istanbul / SPP Transottomanica)

Slaves of the Black Sea Region in Istanbul. Spatial and Social Mobility in the 17th Century

Nicole Immig (Boğaziçi University, Istanbul)

World War I and the Mediterranean: Some Thoughts on a New Research Field

Daniel Tödt (Humboldt University, Berlin)

Stranded in Marseille. Mediterranean Immobility and African Seafarers during World War II

12:30 Lunch Break

14:30 Flows and Blockages of Trans-Mediterranean Networks

Chair: Fernando Esposito (Tübingen University)

Funda Soysal (Boğaziçi University, Istanbul)

Galata going Global: The Istanbul Stock Exchange and 1895 South African Gold Mining Speculation

Andreas Guidi (EHESS, Paris / Humboldt University, Berlin)

Translocal Networks on the Margins of International Law: Arms, Drugs, and Human Trafficking in the Mediterranean Region, 1870-1945

Alexis Rappas (Koç University, Istanbul)

Building Interimperial Borders in the Eastern Mediterranean: Britain, Italy and France, 1920-1939

17:00 Final Discussion

18:00 Leisurely Stroll through Old Istanbul

24 June 2018

10:00 Planning of Upcoming Network Workshops (meet at hotel)