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Halcyon Days in Crete VII

## Political Initiatives ‘From the Bottom Up’ in the Ottoman Empire

A Symposium

Rethymno, 9-11 January 2009

Symposiarch: Suraiya Faroqhi

**Friday, January 9**

**Chair: Elizabeth A. Zachariadou**

- 17:00-17:15      Addresses
- 17:15-18:00      Suraiya Faroqhi (Istanbul), *Artisans and Political Action in the Seventeenth and Eighteenth Centuries*
- 18:15-18:35      Break

**Chair: György Hazai**

- 18:35-18:55      Boğaç Ergene (Vermont), *The Pitfalls of Writing Ottoman Legal History from the ‘Bottom Up’*
- 19:10-19:30      Antonis Anastasopoulos (Rethymno), *The Ottomans and Civil Society*

**Saturday, January 10**

**Chair: John C. Alexander**

- 9:30-9:50      Onur Yıldırım (Ankara), *Rethinking the Student Rebellions of the Sixteenth Century: The Case of Bursa*
- 10:05-10:25      Andreas Lyberatos (Rethymno), *“Çelebis” and Guildsmen in pre-Tanzimat Plovdiv: Breaking Through the Orthodox Ancien Régime*
- 10:40-11:00      Break
- 11:00-11:20      Dimitris Kastritsis (St Andrews), *The Revolt of Şeyh Bedreddin in the Context of the Ottoman Civil War of 1402-13*
- 11:35-11:55      Eyal Ginio (Jerusalem), *Coping with Decline: The Political Responses of the Jewish Community to the Eighteenth-Century Crisis in Salonica*

12:10-12:30 Evthymios Papataxiarchis (Mytilene), *The petition as an object and a vehicle of political reconfigurations: A tax revolt in Ayvalık, 1842*

**Chair: Nicolas Vatin**

16:30-16:50 Baki Tezcan (Davis), *Who Gets to Write History? Contemporary Texts on the Regicide of Osman II and Their Impact on Ottoman Historiography*

17:05-17:25 Marinos Sariyannis (Rethymno), *The Kadızadeli Movement as a Social and Political Phenomenon: The Rise of a 'Mercantile Ethic'?*

17:40-18:00 Break

18:00-18:20 Hülya Canbakal (Istanbul), *Consensus and Consent in Urban Public Life (17<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> Centuries)*

18:35-18:55 Leslie Peirce (New York), *Talking Back to Oppression: The Celali Hasan and the People of Harput, 1632*

**Sunday, January 11**

**Chair: Leslie Peirce**

9:30-9:50 Rossitsa Gradeva (Sofia), *From the Bottom Up and Back Again, Until Who Knows When...: Legal Procedures for the Repairs and Reconstruction of Non-Muslim Houses of Worship (Seventeenth-Eighteenth Centuries)*

10:05-10:25 Sophia Laiou (Corfu), *Political Processes on the Island of Samos Prior to the Greek War of Independence and the Reaction of the Sublime Porte*

10:40-11:00 Break

11:00-11:20 Eleni Gara (Mytilene), *Between Local Exigencies and Imperial Priorities: Possibilities and Limitations of Collective Action in the Seventeenth-Century Balkans*

11:35-11:55 Elias Kolovos (Rethymno), *Riot in the Village: Some Cases of Peasant Protest around Ottoman Salonica*

12:10-12:30 Dimitris Papastamatiou (Thessaloniki), *The Conduct of a Regional Crisis and the Appeal to State Intervention by the Regional Elites in Peloponnesus: The Case of Musa Ağa's Heirs*

**Chair: Suraiya Faroqhi**

16:30-16:50 Nicolas Vatin (Paris), *Comment disparut le cimetière de Kasımpaşa (1582-1592). Un difficile arbitrage du sultan entre ses sujets juifs et musulmans*

17:05-17:25 Svetlana Ivanova (Sofia), *The Ottoman Decrees Up in Istanbul and What its Rumeli Subject Perceive at the Bottom (Seventeenth-Eighteenth Centuries)*

17:40-18:00 Break

18:00-18:20 Aysel Danacı Yıldız (Istanbul), *The May 1807 Rebellion as a Social Movement*

18:35-18:55 Cemal Kafadar (Harvard), *The Question of 'The End of Ideology' during the Celali Era*

19:10-19:45 Concluding Remarks, Discussion and Farewell

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