

**September 29, 2023 Friday
8:30-10:30: Opening and Protocol Speeches**

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<p align="center">Yunus Emre Hall Torah, Quran and Stories Chair: Prof. Dr. Baki Adam</p>	<p align="center">Hilmi Ziya Ülken Hall Christianity: History and Religious Literature Chair: Prof. Dr. Ali İsrâ Güngör</p>	<p align="center">Room: 127 Islam and the West Chair: Prof. Dr. Ali İhsan Yitik</p>	<p align="center">Room: 124 Judaism: Beliefs, Worship and Practices Chair: Prof. Dr. Ali Rafet Özkan</p>
<p>Prof. Dr. Salime Leyla Gürkan What New Can We Say About the Similarity of Mesopotamian Legends with the Torah and Quran Stories?</p>	<p>Associate Prof. Halil Temiztürk Reading the Gospel of John from the Perspective of the Christian Mystical Tradition</p>	<p>Prof. Dr. Cemal Tosun State Church Law and Legal Recognition of Muslim Communities in Germany</p>	<p>Prof. Dr. Sami Kılıç The Seventh Year in Judaism: Shemita, the Shemita Cycle and the Yovel</p>
<p>Prof. Dr. Mustafa Baş A Different Perspective on the Story of Dhul-Qarnayn and Gog-Magog</p>	<p>Assistant Prof. Salih Çinpolat A Manuscript from the Turkish Bible Translations of the Ottoman Period: TDK Yz. A-19</p>	<p>Associate Prof. Selman Yılmaz Different Projections of Turning to Deism or Christianity</p>	<p>Prof. Dr. Ramazan Işık The Role of Women in Worship in Judaism</p>
<p>Prof. Dr. Atik Aydın Cosmic Verses in the Quran and the Bible</p>	<p>Dr. Bilal Patacı Epistula Apostolorum: An Example of Anti-Gnostic Apology in Second Century Christian Apocalyptic Literature</p>	<p>Dr. Tuğba Özoğlu Muslim-Christian Interaction in Andalusia According to Spanish Orientalist Miguel Asín Palacios (d. 1944)</p>	<p>Associate Prof. İsmail Başaran The Importance of Customs in Judaism and Its Effect on Jewish Religious Life</p>
<p>Associate Prof. Tolga Savaş Altınel Reading the Stories of the Qur'an with Data from the History of Religions: The Example of Ashab al-Qaryah</p>	<p>Research Assistant Elif Rumeysa Uluçam The Role of the Crusade IV in the Consolidation of the Catholic-Orthodox Separation</p>	<p>Dr. Gökçen Beyinli Debates on "Reform in Islam" and the Interaction of Türkiye and the "West": The Case of Wilfred Cantwell Smith</p>	<p>Şeyma Tanrıverdi A Study on the Concept of Rejection in Judaism</p>

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<p align="center">Yunus Emre Hall Religions and Religious Education Chair: Prof. Dr. Cemal Tosun</p>	<p align="center">Hilmi Ziya Ülken Hall Judaism: Sacred Scriptures Chair: Prof. Dr. Salime Leyla Gürkan</p>	<p align="center">Room: 127 Christianity: Religious Figures Chair: Prof. Dr. Nasuh Günay</p>	<p align="center">Room: 124 Protestant Christianity Chair: Prof. Dr. Kadir Albayrak</p>
<p>Prof. Dr. Recep Kaymakcan A Longitudinal Evaluation on Teaching Christianity in Religion Lessons in Türkiye</p>	<p>Prof. Dr. Nermin Öztürk Metaphors of Crossing Water in Tanakh</p>	<p>Associate Prof. Ahmet Türkan Evaluation on the Contacts of Innocenzo Ferrieri, who came to Istanbul as the Representative of Pope Pius IX, with Religious and Political Leaders</p>	<p>Prof. Dr. Muhammet Tarakçı Sinfulness of the Elect (Simul justus et peccator): The Effect of Baptism on Human Nature in Martin Luther</p>
<p>Assistant Prof. Vahdeddin Şimşek - Prof. Dr. Yıldız Kızılabdullah The Intersection of History of Religions and Religious Education: Phenomenological Approach</p>	<p>Associate Prof. Abdullah Altuncu On the Association of Esau, Edom and Rome in Jewish Sources</p>	<p>Dr. Mustafa Güre Comparing the Views of Giles of Rome and Marsilius of Padua on the Scope and Limits of the Authority of the Pope</p>	<p>Dr. Tülin Yanıkdağ Sectarian Hierarchy among Armenians in Türkiye and Its Reflections on Social Dynamics: Protestant Armenians</p>
<p>Associate Prof. Musa Osman Karatosun The Place and Importance of Learning the History of Religions in Higher Religious Education According to Canon Law: The Case of Papal Universities</p>	<p>Assistant Prof. Aynur Çımar A Sociological Concept Derived from the Bible's Understanding of the Holy Spirit: Charismatic Authority</p>	<p>Assistant Prof. Elif Hilal Karaman Women in Panarion: Maximilla, Priscilla and Others</p>	<p>Huriye Apaydın Free Will Debates Between Erasmus and Luther</p>
<p>Dr. Ermamat Ergeshov Evaluation of Religious Education in Kyrgyz Public Schools in Terms of History of Religions Method</p>	<p>Assistant Prof. Ömer Uzunel A New Methodological Approach to the Symbolic Language of the Narratives in the Book of Creation in the Torah</p>	<p>Yakup Piri Mystical Elements in Christian Theology: Example of St. John of the Cross</p>	

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<p align="center">Yunus Emre Hall Judaism: Religious Groups Chair: Prof. Dr. Ali Osman Kurt</p>	<p align="center">Hilmi Ziya Ülken Hall Orthodox Christianity Chair: Prof. Dr. Bekir Zakir Çoban</p>	<p align="center">Room: 127 Christianity: Beliefs and Perceptions Chair: Prof. Dr. Mehmet Katar</p>	<p align="center">Room: 124 Religious Studies in the Turkic World Chair: Prof. Dr. Mustafa Ünal</p>
<p>Associate Prof. Mahmut Salihoglu A Crypto-Jewish Community: The Jews of Mashhad</p>	<p>Prof. Dr. Mehmet Alparslan Küçük Turkish Orthodox Church and Temple-Icon Relationship in the 100th Anniversary of the Republic of Türkiye (The Example of Virgin Mary)</p>	<p>Associate Prof. Zekiye Sönmez Martyrdom in Christianity and the Example of Female Martyr Perpetua</p>	<p>Prof. Dr. Ali Selçuk and Dr. İbrahim Karaca Donadon Belief in Turkish Culture in the Case of Ahl-e Haqq</p>
<p>Associate Prof. Şir Muhammed Dualı Federation of Jewish Communities of Russia; History and Activities</p>	<p>Assistant Prof. Mustafa Şengil The Role of the Church in Greek Nationalism (1878-1960)</p>	<p>Assistant Prof. Nadide Şahin Free Will? Free Inayah? The Relationship between Free Will and Grace in the Context of Destiny in Christianity</p>	<p>Prof. Dr. K.S. Kalıbayeva The Power of Speech in the Kazakh Thought System</p>
<p>Dr. Mustafa Şahin Halacha and Change in Conservative Judaism: Historical Approach and CJLS</p>	<p>Assistant Prof. Abdulali Aliev Historical Development of the Orthodox Palestine Society</p>	<p>Dr. Talha Fortacı Christianity's Perspective on Astrology: An Analytical Approach</p>	<p>Dr. Mehmet Mustafa Erkal Demonology in Khakas Beliefs</p>
<p>Assistant Prof. Fatih Memiç Mission Activities of Habad-Lubavic in Türkiye</p>	<p>Fatma Nur Atan Erkan The Emergence and Views of the Old Order, an Anti-Reformation Group in the Russian Orthodox Church</p>	<p>Hasan Değerli Martyrdom and Soldier Martyrs in Early Christianity</p>	<p>Bekzat Dinayeva and Karlygash Ashırkhanova The Connection of Proverbs on Religious Subjects in Kazakh Language with the Values of the Qur'an and Hadith</p>

September 30, 2023 Saturday: ASBÜ (Morning Session, 8:15-10:15)

Sezai Karakoç (Güvercinlik) Hall History of Religions Studies and Methodology Chair: Prof. Dr. Münir Yıldırım	Fuat Sezgin Hall Studies in the History of Religions and Phenomenology Chair: Prof. Dr. Asife Ünal
Prof. Dr. Mustafa Alıcı Comparum in Comparisons: Comparison of Classical, Modern and Postmodern Comparisons in the History of Religions	Prof. Dr. Canan Seyfeli Systematic Perception of the Universe in Traditional Yoruba Religion
Prof. Dr. Mustafa Ünal Understanding of Religion from the Ottoman Empire to the Republic	Prof. Dr. Marifat Khandamova Comparative Analysis of Religions in Biruni's Asar al-Baqiyah
Prof. Dr. Kadir Albayrak Houston Smith's Life, Works and Contribution to the History of Religions	Prof. Dr. Muzafer Demir Zeus in the Scope of Euhemeros' "Sacred History"
Prof. Dr. Bekir Zakir Çoban Methodology Problem in Postgraduate Theses on History of Religions in Türkiye	Associate Prof. İbrahim Ethem Arnoğlu Folklore as a Discipline and Folk Beliefs as One of the Subjects in the Anatolian Turkish Folklore Studies
Assistant Prof. Esra Akay Dağ Post-Colonial Criticism in Studies in the History of Religions	Associate Prof. Şevket Özcan Phenomenology of Religion and Mission
Dr. Harun Dündar Karahan Methodological Analysis of the Publications of the Presidency of Religious Affairs on the History of Religions	Dr. Bayram Akbulut The Role of African Christians in the Spread of Christianity in Africa

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Sezai Karakoç (Güvercinlik) Hall Sacred Places and Pilgrimage in Religions Chair: Prof. Dr. Ali Selçuk	Fuat Sezgin Hall Beliefs and Practices in New Religious Movements Chair: Prof. Dr. Muhammet Tarakçı
Prof. Dr. Kemal Polat Baptism Feast and January 19 Practices in the Russian Orthodox Church	Prof. Dr. Nasuh Günay Acceptance Ceremony in New Religious Movements in the Case of the Transcendental Meditation Movement
Associate Prof. Abdulkadir Kıyak The Myth of Jerusalem in the Eschatological Beliefs of the Semitic Religions	Prof. Dr. Süleyman Turan New Religious Movements and Faith-Painted, Market-Driven Exploitation
Assistant Prof. Mustafa Tural Morphological Classification of the Process of Sanctification of Space in Religions	Prof. Dr. İhsan Tokar and Dr. Latif Çevik Identity Building in New Religious Movements: The Case of Moonism
Lecturer İsmail Hodzic Local Sacred Places Visited by Believers from Different Religions: The Example of Bosnia and Herzegovina	Associate Prof. Yasin İpek Female Figures Who Took a Role in the Formation of New Religious Movements: The Example of Baha'ism and Tahire
	Associate Prof. Şahin Kızılabdullah - Sebile Aktekin The Phenomenon of Migration in New Religious Movements

September 30, 2023 Saturday: ASBÜ (Afternoon Session, 13:15-15:00)

Sezai Karakoç (Güvercinlik) Hall Presentations in English Chair: Prof. Dr. Mustafa Alıcı	Fuat Sezgin Hall Indian Religions Chair: Prof. Dr. Sami Kılıç
Dr. Nicola M. Camerlengo Influence and parallelism from Zoroastrianism to Gnostic, Abrahamic and Central Asian Religions	Prof. Dr. Ali İhsan Yitik The Effect of Indian Thought on Semitic Religions through the Eyes of S. Radhakrishna
Anna-Valeriia Lavyniukova Axiological Approach in the Study of Religious Experience on the Example of Ashtanga Yoga	Prof. Dr. Hammet Arslan Sidharta Gotama Sakamuni as a Rebellious Sage: A Critique of Hinduism in Buddhist Doctrine
Dr. Davide S. Amore The Archusa de Bahlul, or The Mushm Origins of the Kingdom of Navarre and Aragon	Assistant Prof. Mehmet Masatoğlu Ancient Indian Atheism: Cārvāka (Lokayata Darshana) School
Zerrin Afza Islam in Queensland: Intergenerational Patterns of Religiosity and Religious Transmission of Knowledge	Dr. Arzu Yıldız Ganesha: The Elephant-Headed God of Hinduism
Dr. Anna Tozzi Di Marco The Turkish cult of Seven Sleepers/Ashab al-Kahf in Afşin, Tarsus and Lice	Dr. Munazza Batool Hindu-Muslim Relations and Construction of Hindu Temples: A History or Rhetoric
Dr. Ada Prisco Justification by Faith From a Biblical Theme to a Bridge Among the Faiths	Research Assistant Beyza Aybike Deveci On Tantraism and Its Origin

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Sezai Karakoç (Güvercinlik) Hall Japanese Religions Chair: Prof. Dr. Hammet Arslan	Fuat Sezgin Hall New Religious Movements Chair: Prof. Dr. Süleyman Turan
Prof. Dr. Tosei Sano Zikr and Nembutsu: What Tawakkul and Tariqi have in common	Associate Prof. Ümit Harun Akkaya The Sociology of "Proclamation" in Baha'ism as a New Religious Movement
Dr. Higashitotsu Kutluk Faith in Japan	Assistant Prof. R. Aysun İnan Duhabors in Canada
Assistant Prof. Yetkin Karaoğlu The Importance of Japanese New Religious Movements in the Study of the History of Religions	Assistant Prof. Zeynep Yücedoğru Quakers' Perception of Islam and Muslims in the Context of Muslim-Christian Communication
Resarch Assistant Rümeyza Taşkın Yoga-Meditation and Healing Practices in Japanese New Religious Movements	Dr. Elif Tokay Hindiyye al-Ujaymi (d.1798) and the Worship of the Sacred Heart of Jesus
Resarch Assistant Kübranur Karaböcek Posthumous Commemoration/Mourning Rituals in Japanese Buddhism	Dr. Melek Öztürk Lollards as a Protestant Mystical Group Born in England

September 30, 2023 Saturday: ASBÜ (Afternoon Session, 17:00-18:00)

Sezai Karakoç (Güvercinlik) Hall Religions: Ecology, Esotericism and Law Chair: Prof. Dr. Nermin Öztürk	Fuat Sezgin Hall Religions of Iran Chair: Prof. Dr. Canan Seyfeli
Prof. Dr. Münir Yıldırım The Formation of a Sacred Nature and Contribution of Religions in the Context of Environmental Problems	Assistant Prof. Mehmet Emin Sular Zoroastrianism's Approach to Natural Disasters
Prof. Dr. Asife Ünal A Study on the Roots of the Enneagram	Dr. Mihdat Aktulga The Problem of Evil and the Role of Man in Dualist Religions (Zoroastrianism, Sabianism, Manicheism)
Associate Prof. Ahmet Aras Factors in the Legal Development in Religions	Dr. Nevfel Akyar The Formation Process of the Sassanid Official Religious Ideology