

WORKSHOP PROGRAM
THE OTTOMAN PALACE LIBRARY INVENTORY
OF 1502-3



April 4-6, 2014
Harvard University
Aga Khan Program for Islamic Architecture

This workshop focuses on a unique manuscript, in the Oriental Collection of the Library of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences, which is a catalogue in Arabic of the holdings of the Topkapı Palace Library in Istanbul, compiled for Sultan Bayezid II by his royal librarian in the year 908 (1502-3). The lectures evaluate the contents of the library in specific disciplines under which the books were inventoried and assess its “universal” collection of approximately 5700 volumes and 7200 titles in all branches of knowledge, written in Arabic, Persian, Ottoman and Chaghatay Turkish.

FRIDAY APRIL 4, 2014

SACKLER LECTURE HALL IN THE BASEMENT, 485 BROADWAY

5:00 Welcome Remarks Gülru Necipoğlu (Harvard University), Cemal Kafadar (Harvard University), Cornell Fleischer (University of Chicago)

5:15 Gülru Necipoğlu “An Inventory and Its Encyclopedic Classification of Books: The Topkapı Palace Treasury-cum-Library Collection under Sultan Bayezid II”

5:45 Zeren Tanındı (Sakıp Sabancı Museum) (*al-masahif al-‘aziza*) “Arts of the Book: The Qur’ans, Illustrated (*musawwar*) and Illuminated Manuscripts of the Topkapı Palace Library Listed in the Inventory”

6:05 Zeren Tanındı “Extant Manuscripts with Seal Impressions of Bayezid II Transferred from the Imperial Treasury to Other Libraries”

6:25 Zeynep Atbaş (Topkapı Palace Museum) “Extant Manuscripts with Seal Impressions of Bayezid II in the Topkapı Palace Library”

6:45 Discussion of presentations by the first three speakers

7:00 Shahab Ahmed (Harvard University) (*al-tafasir wa ‘ilm al-qira’at*) “Books on Interpretations of the Qur’an and the Science of Qur’anic Recitation”

7:30 Recep Göktaş (Ankara University) (*al-aḥādith wa asmā’ al-rijāl*) “Books on Hadith” *unable to attend, will send paper*

No presentation: Snježana Buzov (Ohio State University) (*al-ad‘iya, khawass al-Qur’an, kutub ‘ilm al-wafq*) “Books of Prayers and the Science of Talismans” *unable to attend or send paper*

SATURDAY APRIL 5, 2014

**CENTER FOR GOVERNMENT AND INTERNATIONAL STUDIES (CGIS) BUILDING,
ROOM S020 (BELFER CASE STUDY ROOM, BASEMENT), 1730 CAMBRIDGE STREET**

9:45 Himmet Taşkömür (Harvard University), **Abdurrahman Atçıl** (Queen's College, City University of New York) (*usul al-din, ilm al-kalam*) "Books on Principles of Doctrine and the Science of Theology"

10:20 Mürteza Bedir (Istanbul University) (*usul al-fiqh, al-fiqh, al-manaqib al-ai'mma*) "Books on Islamic Canonical Jurisprudence"

10:55 Cemal Kafadar, Ahmet Karamustafa (University of Maryland), Snježana Buzov *unable to attend* (*manaqib, al-tasawwuf, al-nasayih, al-mawa'iz, al-manaqib al-mashayikh wa al-awliya*) "Books on Lives of Saints, Sufism, and Sermons"

11:30 Break

11:50 Hüseyin Yılmaz (George Mason University) (*'ilm al-akhlaq; siyar al-muluk; al-siyasat al-mulukiyya*) "Books on the Science of Ethics, Rulership, and Politics"

12:25 Nükhet Varlık (Rutgers University) (*al-tibb, al-sumum, al-filaha*) "Books on Medicine and Agriculture"

1:00 Lunch Break

2:30 Cemal Kafadar, Cornell Fleischer, Kaya Şahin (Indiana University) (*al-siyar wa-al-tawarikh, adab al-harb, umur al-riyasa wa al-sultana wa al-siyasa, al-furusiyya, al-baytara*) "Books on Biography and History"

3:05 Ahmet Karamustafa, Pinar Emiralioğlu (University of Pittsburgh) *unable to attend, will send paper* (*'ajāyib al-makhlūqāt, şuwar al-aqālīm*) "Books on the Wonders of Creation and Geography"

3:40 Tahera Qutbuddin (University of Chicago) (*al-dawawin al-'arabiyya, al-manzuma bi-al-'arabiyya, al-khutab al-musajja'a, al-amthal, al-tarassul, al-insha' al-siyaqat wa al-arqam, 'ilm al-'aruz, 'ilm al-qawafi wa al-shi'r wa al-mu'amma*) (*al-ma'ani, 'ilm al-sarf wa al-nahw, al-lugha al-'arabiyya wa al-farisiyya wa ghayrihima*) "Books on Arabic Literature, Divans, Literary Theory and Dictionaries"

4:15 Break

4:35 Sooyong Kim (Koç University) (*al-dawawin al-farisiyyati, al-manzumati bi al-farisiyyati*) (*al-lughati al-‘arabiyyati wa al-farisiyyati wa ghayrihima*) (*al-manzuma bi-al-turkiyya wa al-mogholiyya*) “Books on Persian Literature, Persian and Turkish Divans, Dictionaries”

5:10 Ferenc Csirkés (University of Chicago) (*al-dawawin al-turkiyya wa al-mogholiyya, al-lugha al-‘arabiyya wa al-farisiyya wa ghayrihima*) “Books on Turkic Literature and Dictionaries”

SUNDAY APRIL 6, 2014

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9:45 Cornell Fleischer, Tunç Şen (University of Chicago) (*‘ilm al-ta’bir, ‘ilm al-firasa, ‘ilm al-kimya’, ‘ilm al-ahjar, al-raml, al-fal, ‘ilm al-nayrinjat, al-tilsimat, al-simya’i, wa ghayrihim, ‘ilm al-jafr, al-sina’at al-‘ajiba, al-hiyal, al-sihr, ‘ilm al-nujum*) “Books on Astrology, Geomancy and Esoteric Sciences”

10:20 Dimitri Gutas (Yale University) (*‘ilm al-nujum, ‘ilm al-hay’at, ‘ilm al-hisab, ‘ilm al-handasa, ‘ilm al-musiqi, al-shataranj*) “Books on the Quadrivium or Mathematical Sciences: Astronomy, Arithmetic, Geometry, Music, and Chess”

10:55 Elaheh Kheirandish (Harvard University) (*‘ilm al-hisab, ‘ilm al-handasa, ‘ilm al-manazir*) “Books on Arithmetic, Geometry, and Optics”

11:30 Break

11:50 Khaled El Rouayheb (Harvard University) (*‘ilm al-jadal, al-mantiq*) “Books on the Philosophical Sciences: Dialectics and Logic”

12:25 Dimitri Gutas (*al-hikmati al-islamiyya, al-hikmat al-falsafiyya*) (*al-kutub al-mutarjama min al-Tawrat wa al-Zabur wa al-Injil*) “Books on Islamic and Greek Philosophy; Translations including the Bible, Psalms of David and the Torah”

1:00 Workshop concludes