



Disease and Disaster in Ottoman Anatolia

Social and Economic History of Ottoman Anatolia Symposium I

The Skilliter Centre for Ottoman Studies,
Newnham College, Cambridge

18-19 March 2016

Friday 18 March

2.30-4.00 Panel I Disease (Chair: Kate Fleet, University of Cambridge)

Sara Nur Yıldız (University of St Andrews/Orient-Institut Istanbul), “The disease landscape of medieval Anatolia and the early modern Ottoman world”.

Nükhet Varlık (Rutgers), “Plague ecology in Ottoman Anatolia”.

Ebru Boyar (METU, Ankara), “The ‘diseasescape’ of late Ottoman Anatolia: state approaches, social reactions and the complexities of implementation”.

4.00-4.30 Coffee

4.30-5.30 Panel II Religious Divisions and Persecution (Chair: Ebru Boyar, METU)

Yaron Ayalon (Ball State), "Plague, psychology, and religious boundaries in Ottoman Anatolia".

Ayfer Karakaya-Stump (William and Mary), "Sunni confessionalization and the persecution of the Kızılbaş in Ottoman Anatolia".

Saturday 19 March

9.00-10.00 Panel III Violence (Chair: Milena Methodieva, University of Toronto)

Güneş Işıksel (Medeniyet University, Istanbul), "Brigands, calamities and states: regulation of banditry by the Ottomans and their neighbours in the sixteenth century".

Tolga Esmer (Central European University, Budapest), "Emotions in the Ottoman archives: imperial uncommon sense at the height of turn-of-the-nineteenth-century insurgency".

10.00-10.30 Coffee

10.30-11.30 Panel IV: Ecological Disasters (Chair: Filiz Yenişehirlioğlu, VEKAM, Koç University)

Özge Ertem (Harvard), "The pain of all: coping with post-war famine, hunger, and despair in Ottoman Anatolia in the 1870s".

Selçuk Dursun (METU, Ankara), "The question of the forest: rethinking the deforestation narratives in the late Ottoman empire".

11.30-12.30 Round Table Discussion (Chair: Kate Fleet, University of Cambridge)