

**ESCAS XI Conference 2009**

**“Studying Central Asia: in Quest for New Paths and Concepts?”**

**Central European University  
3-5 September, 2009  
Budapest, Hungary**

**CONFERENCE PROGRAM**

**Location:**

Central European University (CEU)  
Nador utca 9  
Budapest 1051, Hungary

**Registration of Participants:**

September 3 (Thursday), 8:00 – 9:00

The Registration Desk is located at the entrance in CEU (Octogon).

**Opening Lecture:**

September 3 (Thursday), 9:00 – 11:00

Location: Auditorium

## **DAY 1:**

8:00-9:00 REGISTRATION OF PARTICIPANTS, REGISTRATION DESK  
9:00-11:00 OPENING SESSION: WELCOME SPEECHES AND OPENING LECTURE  
11:00-11:30 COFFEE BREAK  
11:30-13:30 SESSION 1 (PANELS 1-5)  
13:30-14:30 LUNCH  
14:30-16:30 SESSION 2 (PANELS 6-8)  
16:30-17:00 COFFEE BREAK  
17:00-19:00 SESSION 3 (PANELS 9-11)

## **DAY 2**

9:00-11:00 SESSION 4 (PANELS 12-15)  
11:00-11:30 COFFEE BREAK  
11:30-12:30 ESCAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY 2009 (all conference participants are invited!)  
12:30-13:30 LUNCH  
13:30-15:30 SESSION 5 (PANELS 16-19)  
15:30-16:00 COFFEE BREAK  
16:00-19:30 FREE TIME  
19:30-22:00 DINNER AT VENHAJO RESTAURANT (all conference participants are invited!)

## **DAY 3**

9:00-11:00 SESSION 6 (PANELS 20-23)  
11:00-11:15 COFFEE BREAK  
11:15-13:15 SESSION 7 (PANELS 24-26)  
13:15-14:15 BRUNCH

**Day 1**  
**September 3, 2009**  
**(Thursday)**

8:00 - 9:00

**Registration of Conference Participants**

9:00 - 11:00

**Opening Session**  
**(location: Auditorium)**

**Welcome Speeches:**

**Dr. Matteo Fumagalli (Asia Research Initiative, Central European University, Hungary)**

**Dr. Zifa-Alua Auezova (Leiden University, Netherlands)**

**Keynote Lecture:**

**« Studying Central Asia : Thirty Years of Experience, Eighteen Years of Independence »**

**Prof. Catherine Poujol**

**INALCO (Institut National des Langues et Civilisations Orientales), France**

11:00 - 11:30

**Coffee Break**  
**(location: in front of Auditorium)**

11:30 - 13:30

**SESSION 1**

<b>Auditorium</b>	<b>Gellner Room</b>	<b>Popper Room</b>	<b>Monument Building Room 201</b>	<b>Monument Building Room 203</b>
<b>Panel 1:</b> <b>Perspectives on Economic, Politics and Society in Eurasia: Russia, Caucasus and Central Asia</b>	<b>Panel 2:</b> <b>Politics and Social Stigmatization in Post Socialist Central Asia</b>	<b>Panel 3:</b> <b>Concepts of Space and Use of the Environment in Central Asia</b>	<b>Panel 4:</b> <b>Revising Central Asian Historiography after 1991</b>	<b>Panel 5:</b> <b>Aspects of Economic Development in Central Asia</b>
Panel Chair and Discussant: <b>Ayşe Gunes-Ayata</b>	Panel Chair and Discussant: <b>Pierre Gentelle</b>	Panel Chair: <b>Rebecca Reynolds</b> Panel Discussant: <b>Maria Louw</b>	Panel Chair: <b>Ablet Kamalov</b> Panel Discussant: <b>Zifa-Alua Auezova</b>	Panel Chair: <b>Aftab Kazi</b> Panel Discussant: <b>Diana Digol</b>
<b>Duygu Ünsal:</b> Migration In Post-Soviet Russia	<b>Catherine Poujol:</b> Mental Disorders in post-Soviet Transitional Central Asia : the Merge of Suffering or “Socially Borderline” Individual	<b>Zsuzsa Majer:</b> Monasteries in the Mongolian Landscape Once and Today	<b>Valeriy Khan:</b> Methodological Paradigms of Social Sciences and Humanities in Post-Soviet Central Asia: Soviet Heredity and Changes	<b>Zvi Lerman:</b> Sources of Agricultural Productivity Growth in Central Asia
<b>Ayça Ergun:</b> Quality of Life in the Post-Soviet Transition: The Cases of Azerbaijan and Kyrgyztan	<b>Sophie Hohmann:</b> Towards a “Glowing Future”? The Other Face of the Coin: Thoughts about Socio-Political Issues around HIV/AIDS in Post-Soviet Uzbekistan	<b>Jeanne Féaux de la Croix:</b> The Source of Light and Loss: Moral Geographies of Damming the Naryn River	<b>Zharmukhamed Zardykhan:</b> The Mongol Empire and the History of Kazakhstan: The Evolution of the Image of Mongols in Post-Soviet Kazakh Historiography	<b>Wojciech Ostrowski:</b> The Political Sociology of Central Asian Oil Industries
<b>Hayriye Kahveci:</b> Persistence of Authoritarianism in Kazakhstan	<b>Laetitia Atlani-Dualt:</b> Empires Splinters and International Aid: Individualism versus Collectivism in Central Asia	<b>Bernd Steimann:</b> Conflicting Strategies for Contested Spaces: Livelihoods Insecurity and the Use of Pastures in Post Socialist Kyrgyzstan	<b>Khurshida Abdurasulova:</b> Transformation of Anglo-American Historiography on Islam in Uzbekistan (1960s-the beginning of the 21st century)	<b>Alexandra Prodromidou:</b> Russian Foreign Policy, Energy Politics, Energy Elites and the Caspian
<b>Isik Kuscu:</b> Kazakhstan’s Oralman Project: A Remedy For Ambiguous Identity?	<b>Anne Chabaud:</b> Women’s Portrait: the Pain as Self-Affirmation in the Contemporary Kazakhstan		<b>Gulbanu Izbassarova:</b> Central Asian Khan Government Institution and its Nature Change due to Imperial Politics of Russia	

	<b>Christilla Marteau-d'Autry:</b> The Emergence of a New Kelin, Ethnography Fieldwork in Samarkand, Uzbekistan			
13:30 - 14:30 <b>Lunch Break</b> (location: in front of Auditorium)				
14:30 - 16:30 <u><b>SESSION II</b></u>				
<b>Gellner Room</b>		<b>Popper Room</b>		<b>Monument Building Room 201</b>
<b>Panel 6:</b>		<b>Panel 7:</b>		<b>Panel 8:</b>
<b>Aspects of the Contemporary Nation-Building in Central Asia</b>		<b>Analyzing Post-1991 Political Transformations and Disputes</b>		<b>Central Asia in Imperial Russian, British and Early Soviet Studies</b>
Panel Chair: <b>Marie Tyrrell</b> Panel Discussant: <b>Matteo Fumagalli</b>		Panel Chair: <b>Ayşe Gunes-Ayata</b> Panel Discussant: <b>Irina Morozova</b>		Panel Chair: <b>Zharmukhamed Zardykhan</b> Panel Discussant: <b>Khurshida Abdurasulova</b>
<b>Adrien Fauve:</b> Astana a Decade Later: Nation-Building and Urbanism in Kazakhstan		<b>Ainura Akmatalieva:</b> The Role of Political Parties in Nation-Building Process in Kyrgyzstan		<b>Ablet Kamalov:</b> From Muslim Historiography to National Histories in Central Asia: Writing National History of the Taranchi Turks of Semirech'e
<b>Olivier Ferrando:</b> Nationalities, Minorities, or Diasporas : the Changing Status of Central Asian Peoples		<b>Peter Sinnott:</b> The Road Not Taken: A Reappraisal of the December 1991 Karimov-Yuldashev Debate		<b>Alexander Morrison:</b> Sufism, Empire and Information Panic: Nil Sergeevich Lykoshin and the Andijan Uprising of 1898

<b>Mukaram Toktogulova:</b> Language Policy in Kyrgyzstan: Current Debates	<b>Thomas Huet:</b> The 2007 Legislative Elections in Kazakhstan and the Concept of Political Representation	<b>Oksana Pugovkina:</b> From Imperial Elite to Soviet (the Experience of Turkestan)
<b>Alexey Zelensky:</b> The Unique Kazakh Nation: Five Imaginary Features		<b>Manuel Schmaranzer:</b> George Scott Robertson and the Tradition of 'Embedded Social Science' in Northern Afghanistan
16:30 - 17:00 <b>Coffee Break</b> (location: in front of Auditorium)		
17:00 - 19:00 <u><b>SESSION III</b></u>		
<b>Gellner Room</b>	<b>Popper Room</b>	<b>Monument Building Room 201</b>
<b>Panel 9:</b> <b>Central Asia in Geopolitical Contexts</b>	<b>Panel 10:</b> <b>Socio-Demographic Changes and Migration in Post-Soviet Central Asia</b>	<b>Panel 11:</b> <b>Revisiting Ancient and Medieval Sources on Central Asia History and Culture</b>
Panel Chair: <b>Wojciech Ostrowski</b> Panel Discussant: <b>Alexandra Prodromidou</b>	Panel Chair: <b>Ainash Kenzhegaliyeva</b> Panel Discussant: <b>Tomas Kucera</b>	Panel Chair: <b>Gabriele Rasuly-Paleczek</b> Panel Discussant: <b>Ablet Kamalov</b>
<b>Aftab Kazi:</b> The Geopolinomics of the Evolving Central Eurasian Trade Based Realm	<b>Anas Abuov:</b> Ethnic Differentiation of Fertility in Kazakhstan	<b>Dilnoza Duturaeva:</b> The Qara Khitai a Unique Example of "Infidel" Dynasty in Islamic World

<p><b>Diana Digol:</b> Russia's Foreign Policy towards Central Asia: New Patterns</p>	<p><b>Zulfiya Valitova:</b> The Socio-Cultural Bases of Reproductive Behavior of a Family in Kazakhstan: Simple Questions – Difficult Answers</p>	<p><b>Ghanshyam Lal Devra:</b> Races and People of Chaghatayee Ulus during the Medieval Period – A Study based on Rajasthani Records of India</p>
<p><b>Fabio Indeo:</b> The Potential Geopolitical Role of the European Union in Central Asia</p>	<p><b>Aigul Yessimova:</b> The Reproductive Behavior of Ethnic Groups in Kazakhstan: the Social Capital as Cause for Differences</p>	<p><b>Maria Keller:</b> Analysis of Coin Circulation in Central Asia at the Example of Bucharhudat Dirham</p>
<p><b>Emre Ersen:</b> Central Asia or 'Eurasia'? The Ideological and Pragmatic Factors Defining Turkey's Foreign Policy in the Region</p>	<p><b>Yelena Zimovina:</b> Kazakhstan in the System of Migratory Interaction of Central Asian Countries</p>	<p><b>Miklós Sárközy:</b> Sāmānid (Central Asian) Rule in Tabaristān 895-965 AD – The Evidence of the Caspian Sources</p>
	<p><b>Eliza Isabaeva:</b> Partir Pour Faire Rester: Migration, Remittances and Social Development in Southern Kyrgyzstan</p>	<p><b>Leonardo Gregoratti:</b> The Role of the Asiatic Nomads in Arsacid History</p>

**Day 2**  
**September 4, 2009**  
**(Friday)**

9:00 - 11:00 <u>SESSION IV</u>			
Gellner Room	Popper Room	Monument Building Room 201	Monument Building Room 203
<b>Panel 12:</b>  <b>The Changes of Multilateralism in Central Asia</b>	<b>Panel 13:</b>  <b>Local Governance in Central Asia: Research Results from the Amu Darya Border Region</b>	<b>Panel 14:</b>  <b>The Shaping of Persian Art</b>	<b>Panel 15:</b>  <b>Ideology and Changing Cultural Identity</b>
Panel Chair: <b>Alberto Priego</b> Panel Discussants: <b>David García</b>	Panel Chair: <b>Conrad Schetter</b> Panel Discussant: <b>Tommaso Trevisani</b>	Panel Chair and Discussant: <b>Yuka Kadoi</b>	Panel Chair: <b>Catherine Poujol</b> Panel Discussant: <b>Alexander Morrison</b>
<b>Anar A. Khamzayeva:</b> CSTO: in Search of New Approaches to International Security	<b>Andreas Wilde:</b> Catching the Local Perspective of 18th Century Bukhara	<b>Joachim Gierlichs:</b> Philipp Walter Schulz and Friedrich Sarre: Two German Pioneers in the Development of Persian Art Studies	<b>Ayşen Uslu Bayramlı:</b> The Impact of Early Modern Tatar Literature on the Process of Building a Tatar Identity
<b>Gracia Abad:</b> The Shanghai Cooperation Organisation: a Matter of Security and Influence	<b>Wolf Henrik Poos:</b> Local Governance and Social Order between State-Control and Self-Regulation: Case Studies from Southern Uzbekistan	<b>Friederike Voigt:</b> The Central Asian Collection at National Museums Scotland: Approaching a Scattered Heritage	<b>Azade-Ayse Rorlich:</b> Within the System, Challenging the System: The Journal ISLAM MAJALLASA and the Muslims of the Soviet Union, 1924-1928.
<b>Alberto Priego:</b> NATO and Central Asia. A difficult relation	<b>Hafiz Boboyorov:</b> The Role of Collective Identities in Governance of Rural Organizations in Southern Khatlon of Tajikistan	<b>Iván Szantó:</b> Persian Art, the Balkans, and Austro-Hungarian Cultural Policies	<b>Zifa-Alua Auezova:</b> Escape to Russia: Fragments from Central Asian Ideological History

<p><b>Natividad Fernández</b> EU's Strategy in Central Asia</p>	<p><b>Katja Mielke</b> Afghanistan: Rewriting Images of the Rural Population into Current Development and State-Making Processes</p>		<p><b>Stefan B. Kirmse:</b> At the 'Marketplace for Styles and Identities': Youth between Transition, Globalization and Youth Culture in Southern Kyrgyzstan</p>
			<p><b>Dina Wilkowsky:</b> Studying the Islamic Education in Kazakhstan</p>
<p>11:00 - 11:30 <b>Coffee Break</b> (location: in front of Auditorium)</p>			
<p>11:30 - 12:30 <b>ESCAS 2009 General Assembly</b> All conference participants are invited to the ESCAS General Assembly! <b>(location: Auditorium)</b></p> <p>Agenda:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Overview of the history of ESCAS and its present goals (Catherine Poujol);</li> <li>2. Financial report (Tommaso Trevisani);</li> <li>3. Conference as the main type of ESCAS activities (Zifa Auezova);</li> <li>4. About the organization of the current conference (Matteo Fumagalli);</li> <li>5. ESCAS website (Irina Morozova);</li> <li>6. ESCAS membership issues - questions and answers;</li> <li>7. Suggestions concerning the future ESCAS workshops and the next conference;</li> <li>8. Elections of the new members of the ESCAS Board.</li> </ol>			

12:30 - 13:30  
**Lunch Break**  
(location: in front of Auditorium)

13:30-15:30  
**SESSION V**

Gellner Room	Popper Room	Monument Building Room 201	Monument Building Room 203
<b>Panel 16:</b> <b>Whither the Welfare State in Post Socialist Central Asia</b>	<b>Panel 17:</b> <b>Analyzing Cultural Interactions in Central Asia</b>	<b>Panel 18:</b> <b>Conceptualizing Regional Societies and Culture</b>	<b>Panel 19:</b> <b>Society and Natural Environment in Central Asia</b>
Panel Organizer: <b>Elena Maltseva</b> Panel Chair and Discussant: <b>Dorottya Szikra</b>	Panel Chair: <b>Gabriele Rasuly-Paleczek</b> Panel Discussant: <b>J. Elif Dagyesi</b>	Panel Chair: <b>Cholpon Turdalieva</b> Panel Discussant: <b>Alexey Zelenskiy</b>	Panel Chair: <b>Tommaso Trevisani</b> Panel Discussant: <b>David Pearce</b>
<b>Simon Tordjman:</b> Authoritarian Consolidation, the Revival of Tradition and Western Initiatives toward Liberalization: the Hybridization of Central Asian Welfare States	<b>Helen Giunashvili:</b> Sassanian Iran and Iberian Kingdom : Questions of Cultural Relations in the Light of Linguistic Data	<b>Anita Sengupta:</b> Discourses on the Heartland: Studying Central Asia through Narratives	<b>Stefano Piastra:</b> From a Wetland to an Environmental Disaster Zone. The Evolution of the Amu-Darya River Delta (Uzbekistan) in the last 150 Years from Historical and Contemporary Cartography.
<b>Elena Maltseva:</b> Policy Implementation in Post-Soviet States: a Comparison of Social Welfare Reform in Russia and Kazakhstan	<b>Shashi Arora:</b> Ethnical character and Turk-Tajik Marriage Relations in Central Asia during the Early Medieval Period	<b>Suchandana Chatterjee</b> Inner Asian Studies Reconsidered	<b>Matthias Schmidt:</b> A Wood is not just a Wood: Changing Values and Perceptions of Kyrgyzstan's Walnut Forests

<p><b>Timur Uzakbaev:</b> The Transitory Kyrgyz Militia (Police): History, Challenges, Reforms</p>	<p><b>Akbar R. Togaev:</b> Influence of Russian European and Soviet Culture to Traditional Household of Nurata Oasis's Population on the First Part of 20th Century</p>	<p><b>Eyup Saritas:</b> Food and Beverage Culture in Huns according to Chinese Sources</p>	<p><b>Marinika Babanazarova:</b> Avant Garde and the Aral Sea: Cultural and Environmental Tourism in Karakalpakstan</p>
<p><b>Anne-Marie Vuilleminot:</b> The "Insecure" Modernity: How to Live without Chanirak in the Contemporary Kazakhstan?</p>	<p><b>Danuta Penkala-Gawęcka:</b> Tradition and Globalization in Spiritual Healing :the Case of an Uighur Shamaness from Kazakhstan</p>	<p><b>Shu-Yun Ma:</b> Chinese Gradualism as Darwinian Evolution: the Dual Track Price Reform?</p>	<p><b>Richard Dion:</b> Using the Nuclear Legacy as a Platform for Cultural Tourism</p>
<p>15:30-16:00 <b>Coffee Break</b> (location: in front of Auditorium)</p>			
<p>16:00 - 19:30 <b>Free Time</b></p>			
<p>19:30 - 22:00 <b>Dinner at Vénhajó Restaurant</b> All conference participants are invited!  <a href="http://www.europahajo.hu">www.europahajo.hu</a> (Address: 1051. Budapest, Vigadó tér. 2 – map will be provided later)</p>			

**Day 3**  
**September 5, 2009**  
**(Saturday)**

9:00 - 11:00 <u>SESSION VI</u>			
Auditorium	Gellner Room	Popper Room	Monument Building Room 203
<b>Panel 20:</b> <b>Unequal Relations and Power in Central Asia</b>	<b>Panel 21:</b> <b>Civic Movements and Decentralization of Social Activities</b>	<b>Panel 22:</b> <b>Pre-Modern Images of Central Asia Societies</b>	<b>Panel 23:</b> <b>Religious Concepts and Practices (part 1)</b>
Panel Chair: <b>Jeanne Feaux de la Croix</b> Panel Discussant: <b>Ayşe Gunes-Ayata</b>	Panel Chair: <b>Peter Sinnott</b> Panel Discussant: <b>Thomas Huet</b>	Panel Chair: <b>Anita Sengupta</b> Panel Discussant: <b>Ayshen Uslu Bayramli</b>	Panel Chair: <b>Azade-Ayshe Rorlich</b> Panel Discussant: <b>Zifa-Alua Auezova</b>
<b>Aksana Ismailbekova:</b> ‘Public Patronage’: Ideology, Election, and Kinship	<b>Tamir Chultemsuren:</b> Civic Movements in the Post-Socialist Country	<b>Jeanine Elif Dağyeli:</b> The Morals of Work	<b>Marika Chachibaia:</b> Johannes Rufus, Zacharias Rhetor, Macarios of Meskheta and “The Life of Peter the Iberian
<b>Sophie Roche:</b> Relations in Combatant Group during and after the Tajik Civil War	<b>Irina Morozova:</b> "South-North" Dilemma in Kyrgyzstan Regional Politics	<b>Gabriele Rasuly-Paleczek:</b> Slave Hunters and Slave Eaters: Representations of the Turkic Peoples of Central Asia in Western Travelogues	<b>Yuriy Averyanov:</b> The Problem of a Heterodox Sanctity among the Turks
<b>Rano Turaeva:</b> Bound without Ropes: Social Theories on Social Relationships	<b>Aiday Bekbosun:</b> The Role of Political Protest in Democratization Process in Kyrgyzstan	<b>Cholpon Turdalieva:</b> Imperial Violence in the Works of the 19th Century Western Travelers	<b>Andrey Bazarov:</b> Buddhist Canon and social reality of Buryatia

<p><b>Tommaso Trevisani:</b> After the Kolkhoz: Hidden Farm Sponsoring and Newly Emerging Power Dynamics in Rural Uzbekistan</p>		<p><b>Nurten Kilic-Schubel:</b> Writing Women's History in Pre-Modern Central Asia</p>	<p><b>Rustam Sabirov:</b> Christianity in Mongolia after 1990: Statistics and Reality</p>
<p>11:00 - 11:15 <b>Coffee Break</b></p>			
<p>11:15 - 13:15 <b><u>SESSION VII</u></b></p>			
<p><b>Gellner Room</b></p>	<p><b>Popper Room</b></p>	<p><b>Monument Building Room 203</b></p>	
<p><b>Panel 24:</b> <b>Architecture and Politics in Central Asia: the Quest for Demonstrating Models</b></p>	<p><b>Panel 25:</b> <b>Youth, Education and Employment in changing Societies</b></p>	<p><b>Panel 26:</b> <b>Religious Concepts and Practices (part 2)</b></p>	
<p>Panel Chair: <b>Catherine Poujol</b> Panel Discussant: <b>Bernard Garmirian</b></p>	<p>Panel Chair: <b>Irina Morozova</b> Panel Discussant: <b>Gabriele Rasuly-Paleczek</b></p>	<p>Panel Chair: <b>Azade-Ayshe Rorlich</b> Discussant: <b>Zifa-Alua Auezova</b></p>	
<p><b>Jean-Paul Loubes:</b> China : Transformation of the Oasis Cities of Ouigour Xinjiang</p>	<p><b>Ines Stolpe:</b> Current Developments in Mongolian Philosophies of Education</p>	<p><b>Nikolay Terletskiy:</b> Shrine Pilgrimage in Modern Central Asia (the Changing Tradition)</p>	
<p><b>Cécile Gintrac:</b> Presidential Power and Architecture in Central Asia. Comparing Astana and Ashgabat</p>	<p><b>Nurdan Colakoglu and Serkan Dilek:</b> Education and Economic Growth: any Relationship?</p>	<p><b>Zulaykho Usmonova</b> "Feminine Islam" in Tajikistan</p>	

<p><b>Olivier Boucheron:</b> The Fetl City : "Gertown" in Ulan Bator, Mongolia</p>	<p><b>Gulnar Nadirova:</b> Social Models of Women Self-Realization in Modern Kazakhstan</p>	<p><b>Margaret Morton and Elmira Köchümkulova:</b> Ethnography of Kyrgyz Muslim Cemeteries</p>
<p><b>Catherine Poujol:</b> The Mirage of the President : Subliminal Planification and Architecture in the New Capitol Astana (Kazakhstan)</p>		<p><b>Elvira Molotova:</b> The Role of Sufism in Eastern Turkestan</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">13:15 - 14:15 <b>Brunch</b></p>		