



Crossroads Asia Lecture

International Migration from 20th Century Central Asia. A Historical Perspective

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This presentation focuses on international migration from Soviet Central Asia throughout the 20th century. Special attention will be given to the early Soviet period (1920s and 1930s). Foreign invasion, state collapse, violent conflict, political pressure, values crisis and economic hardship had triggered various forms of movements of population undertaken for different motivations, over varying distances, and on a range of time scales. These movements caused complex interaction of social and spatial flows of people and things that deeply changed the environment and society in this part of the world. The aim of the presentation is, using extensive empirical and analytical material, to map out trans-local figurations within post-Soviet Central Asia and into neighboring as well as distant areas.

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