



Workshop

Central Asian Studies Inside Out

Challenging Grand Narratives

28 - 29 March 2019 at EHESS, Paris
Salle du conseil, 60 rue Mazarine, 75006 Paris

Day 1: Defining the Role of Grand Narratives in Central Asian Studies

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| 9:00 - 9:30 | Registration |
| 9:30 - 10:00 | Welcome by Hosts and Organizers
<i>Stéphane Dudoignon (CNRS/ EHESS) and Florian Coppenrath</i> |
| 10:00 - 10:45 | Keynote Speech: “On little and grand narratives in Central Asia” by Judith Beyer (University of Konstanz) |
| 10:45 - 11:00 | Coffee Break |
| 11:00 - 12:30 | Short presentations on the role of grand narratives in our research
<i>Moderation: Dilya Mamadshoeva</i> |
| 12:30 - 13:15 | Group discussions
How do we define grand narratives? (4 groups)
<i>Moderation: Anastasia Vishnevskaya</i> |
| 13:15 - 14:30 | Lunch Break |

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- 14:30 - 16:00 **Group discussions**
- What is the role of grand narratives in our disciplines?
- Moderation: Dilya Mamadshoeva (political sciences), Björn Reichardt (anthropology), Kyara Klausmann (history)*
- 16:00 - 16:30 Coffee Break
- 16:30 - 17:00 **Presentation of the group work**
- Moderation: Xenia Prilutskaya*
- 17:00 - 17:30 **Conclusion**
- Moderation: Kyara Klausmann*
- 18:00 Cocktail reception
- 19:30 **Public Panel Discussion: “Promoting Central Asia”**
- Keynote speech: Stéphane Dudoignon (CNRS/ EHESS)
- Panelists:
- Emilie Bancel, Claire Gayraud, Cécile Sarabian (documentary film project “Afghan Wakhan: The Land of Hope”)
 - Anatole Douaud (co-founder of Novastan.org)
 - Guillaume Kasperski (former cultural attaché of the French Embassy in Kazakhstan)
- Moderation: Anastasia Vishnevskaya*

Day 2: How can we disturb grand narratives?

- 9:30 - 11:00 **Short presentations** on how we challenge grand narratives
Moderation: Anastasia Vishnevskaya
- 11:00 - 11:30 Coffee Break
- 11:30 - 13:00 **Meeting Practitioners 1**

Guest: Clara Marchaud (Journalist, Novastan.org and member of the collective of journalists “Daleko & Blisko”)

Mariya Petrova interviews Clara Marchaud (15 Min) + Q&A

Clara Marchaud interviews Saltanat Shoshanova (15 Min.) + Q&A

Moderation: Xenia Prilutskaya
- 13:00 - 14:30 Lunch Break
- 14:30 - 16:00 **Meeting Practitioners 2**

Guests: Swalie Lefeuvre (MFA)

Aleksandra Boloniana interviews Swalie Lefeuvre (15 Min.) + Q&A

Swalie Lefeuvre interview Florian Coppenrath (15 Min.) + Q&A

Moderation: Saltanat Shoshanova
- 16:00 - 16:30 Coffee Break
- 16:30 - 17:15 **Group discussions:** Conclusion of day 2

Moderation: Kyara Klausmann
- 17:15 - 18:00 **Conclusion**

Yana Pak
- 18:00 **Goodbye Cocktail**

Participants:

Aleksandra Bolonina (PhD student, University of Paris II) - *"The (re)definition of Central Asia in the context of regional construction: The case of Russia"*

Florian Coppenrath (PhD student, ZMO and Humboldt University), *"Hip-Hop in Kyrgyzstan's cities and cultural globalization"*

Kyara Klausmann (PhD student, ZMO and Humboldt University) – *"A Global History of Political Thought at Kabul University, 1964-1992"*

Kristina Kovalskaya (PhD student, GRSL-EPHE) – *"Soviet and Post-soviet Islam: Narratives of religious and academic experts"*

Elizaveta Kucherova (MA student, Humboldt University) - *"Perestroika in Tajikistan"*

Anton Ikhsanov (PhD student, Higher School of Economics, Moscow) – *"The private enterprises as an answer to economic fluctuation: the case of Turkmenistan"*

Rabia Latif Khan (PhD student, SOAS) – *"Narrative, memory and belonging: Constructing a 'Hazara identity' abroad"*

Léo Maillet (PhD student, EHESS-CETOBaC) – *"Central Asians in China: Migration and Settlement in Chinese Big Cities"*

Dilya Mamadshoeva (MA student, University of Bielefeld) – *"The construction and expression of erotic desires among young women in Dushanbe"*

Yana Pak (PhD student, EHESS-CETOBaC) – *"From academic 'shamanization' to political 'modernization' of Sufism in Kazakhstan"*

Mariya Petrova (M.A., TU Darmstadt) – *"Housing construction in Central Asia under the Soviet rule: between modernisation and persistence of local technologies and living forms"*

Xenia Prilutskaya (PhD student, University of Tübingen) – *"Environmental Activism in Kazakhstan"*

Björn Reichhardt (PhD student, MPI Halle and Humboldt University) - *"The material culture of the khashaa in Ulaanbaatar's districts"*

Florence Shahabi (PhD student, SOAS) – *"Sayyid Bahodine Majrouh: an intellectual biography"*

Saltanat Shoshanova (MA student, Freie Universität Berlin) - *"Queer Identity in Contemporary Art of Kazakhstan"*

Anastasia Vishnevskaya (PhD student, Free Universität Berlin) – *"Transborder Migration between Central Asia and China"*

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