



Trading relations.
Competition and cooperation among
Uyghur traders in Kyrgyzstan

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Uyghur traders have a long history of seeking westwards into what are today the post-Soviet Central Asian republics. Since the 1990s they have been instrumental in establishing the flow of cheap consumer goods entering the region from eastern China along the 'New Silk Road'. Focussing on a group of Atush traders in Batken, this lecture examines some of the social institutions facilitating this trade and tests the utility of models of 'network' and 'community' for analyzing the relations at the base of these institutions.

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The lecture will be in English

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