

Kurdology Conference

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**ISMAIL BEŞİKÇİ FOUNDATION
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09.30- Opening: Alaattin Ayhan (Bilgi Cultural and Intellectual Community)

09.45- Opening Speech: İsmail Beşikci

10.30/12.30 – First session: Middle East and Kurds

Moderator: Gencer Özcan (Bilgi University)

- Abbas Vali (Boğaziçi University)

The KRG, Opposition and Struggle for Democracy in the Middle East

- Mesut Yeğen (Şehir University / Journal of Kurdish History)

'Continuum': Obligations, Opportunities and Risks.

- Seda Altuğ (Boğaziçi University)

From Binxet to Rojava: Society, Politics and State in Syrian Kurdistan

- Harun Ercan (Koç University)

PKK in the Middle East Equation

12.30/13.30 - lunch break

13.30/15.30- Second Session: On Kurdology

Moderator: Ayhan Işık (Ismail Beşikçi Foundation)

- Celîlê Cefîl (Vienna University)

Education and publishing in three Caucasian Republics. (1920-1960)

-Clemence Scalbert Yücel (Exeter University)

"Development and Autonomisation of a Field of Kurdish Studies"

- Welat Zeydanlıoğlu (University of Uppsala/ Kurdish Studies Network)

"The Kurdish Studies Network and the state of Kurdish Studies"

15.30/15.45 - coffee break

15.45/ 17.45- Third Session: Identity Construction in Kurdish Language and Literature

Moderator: Ronayi Önen (Bilgi University)

- Kadri Yıldırım (Artuklu University)

Identity Construction in 'Mem û Zîn'

-Ferhat Pirbal (Salahaddin University)

The role of Ebdul Rehîm Rehmî Hekarî in the Emergence of Modern Kurdish Theatre and Poetry.

-Metin Yüksel (Hacetepe University)

"Hidden Transcripts," Sentiments, "Historiology:" Listening to Dengbej Reşo (ca. 1910-1983).

-Özlem Galip (Oxford University)

Reality or Imagination: The Picture of Homeland in Kurdish Novel.