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The workshop “Middle Eastern Animals: Interdisciplinary Perspectives from Early Modern to Contemporary Times” will explore animals and human-animal relations and the role non-human animals have played throughout the recent history of the Middle East.

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# Middle Eastern Animals

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University of Vienna

June 27-28, 2019

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# PROGRAM

Thursday, June 27, 2019

14:00 – 17:00

Session I:

**Animals, Agency, and History**

**Semih Çelik**

*(Koç University Istanbul)*

Humans in Animalscapes: Reconstructing Animal-Human Interactions in Rural Anatolia (1700-1850)

**Gisela Procházka-Eisl**

*(University of Vienna)*

Clean and Dirty Animals in Ottoman Divan Poetry: The Case of Adanalı Süruri or “the Nightingale of my Imagination” versus the “Shitty Nightingale”

**Ido Ben-Ami**

*(Tel Aviv University)*

What was it like to be a War-Horse of a Gazi?: The Animal Turn in Ottoman History

**Sezai Ozan Zeybek**

*(Forum Transregionale Studien Berlin)*

Animals as Foes, Animals as Friends: Nation and Its Non-Humans

**Donna Landry**

*(University of Kent - Canterbury)*

Ottoman Ecocriticism and Political Ecology: Horse-Human Relationships in Evliya Çelebi

Friday, June 28, 2019

10:00 – 12:00

Session II:

**Capturing and Domesticating Animals**

**Cihangir Gündoğdu**

*(Bilgi University Istanbul)*

Dogs Feared, Dogs Loved and Fancied: Human-Dog Relations in the Late Ottoman Empire

**Melis Süloş**

*(City University of New York)*

Infantalization of Pets in the Nationalist Discourse in the Early Twentieth Century Turkey

**Dan Tamir**

*(University of Zurich)*

Conquest, Revival or Nothing Special? The (Re-)Introduction of Domesticated Animals to Modern Palestine

**Nora Barakat**

*(New York University – Abu Dhabi)*

Horses and Headmen: The Politics of Taxing Livestock in Late Ottoman Syria

**12:00 – 14:00**

**Lunch Break**

14:00 – 16:00

Session III:

**Preserving and Consuming Animals**

**Kristen Stilt**

*(Harvard Law School and Harvard Department of History)*

Australian Animals in Middle Eastern Markets

**Tamar Novick**

*(Max Planck Institute for the History of Science)*

On All Fours: Equines, Disease, Movement, and Control in 1940s Palestine

**Caterina Scaramelli**

*(Yale University MacMillan Center)*

Emergent Wetland Animals

**Irus Braverman**

*(State University of New York - Buffalo)*

The Persian Fallow Deer: Bridging Time and Nativeness in Contemporary Israel/Palestine

**17:00 – 19:00**

**Guided Tour to the Natural History Museum Vienna**

