**5 July 2023**

**08.30-09.00 Registration & Breakfast**

**09.00-09.30 Welcome and opening remarks** *, Prof Dibyesh Anand, Head of the School of Social Sciences*

**09.30- 11.00 Alevis in the UK,** Chair: *Derrick Wright*

In search for a ‘true Alevism’: ‘feminisation’ and ‘re-localisation’ of the UK Alevi movement, *Ümit*

*Çetin & Celia Jenkins*

Exploratory Models of Suicide and Help-Seeking for Suicide Among Turkish and Kurdish Diaspora in

the UK and in the Netherlands: A Qualitative Study, *Özlem Eylem Van Bergeijk*

The invisible Community: Alevi Women in Prison, *Sinem Bozkurt*

The Alevi Community in Interreligious Dialogue Forums in London, *Deniz Coşan Eke*

**11.00-11.15 Coffee break**

**11.15-12.30 Alevi histories and Alevis in history,** Chair: *Ümit Çetin*

Dedes’ Private Notebooks as Sources for the Study of Alevi Rituals and Religiosity, *Ayfer Karakaya*

“Who would read, who would write?”: Examination of Two Alevi Cönks From the Late Nineteenth

Century, *Özkan Karabulut*

A Social and Economic History of the Alevis in the Ottoman Empire, *Benjamin Weineck*

**12.30-14.15 Lunch break**

**14.15-15.45 Alevism at transnational context,** Chair: *Celia Jenkins*

The Study of Alevism and Key Methodological Issues in Alevi Studies in Russia, *Darya Zhigulskaya*

Transnational and Transcultural Identity Work In-Between-Spaces: (Alevi) Families and Belongings

in Movement, *Halil Can*

The Effects of the Alevism Discourse of the State of the Republic of Turkey Identity Formation of

Alevi Youth Living in Europe, *Tufan Bozkurt*

Staging the Semahs - Alevi Performing Arts in Turkey and Europe, *Sinibaldo De Rosa*

**15.45-16.00 Coffee break**

**16.00-17.00 Book launch,** Discussant: *Nazlı Özkan*

Media, Religion, Citizenship: Transnational Alevi Media and Its Audience, *Kumru Berfin Emre*

**17.00-19.00 Conference reception**

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**09.00-09.30 Coffee**

**09.30- 10.45 Alevi theology,** Chair: *Ayfer Karakaya*

The Spiritual Descent of the Çelebis in Light of New Evidence, *Yeliz Teber*

‘Alevi in temperament’: The incorporation of Alevi aesthetics and practices amidst Sunni Tarikat,

*Hanni Bezem*

Alevi Narratives on Law and Authority, *Hüseyin Çiçek*

**10.45-11.00 Coffee break**

**11.00-12.00 Impact Research: Alevism Lessons in the UK**

*Celia Jenkins & Ümit Çetin, University of Westminster*

*Prince of Wales Primary School*

*British Alevi Federation*

**12.00-13.30 Lunch break**

**13.30-15.00 Alevi women and politics of gender,** Chair: *Deniz Coşan Eke*

The power of Alevi Women in the Alevi tradition in the past and their role in the current

transformation progress - from a rural community to an urban society, *Mürvet Öztürk*

Being an Alevi Woman in London: Narratives of Women from Mazgirt, *Filiz Çelik*

Kurdish Alevi women and social negotiations of gender roles in Turkey and the UK, *Hayal Hanoğlu*

A Multi-Layered Struggle: Alevi Woman Representations in Theatre, *Rüya Kalıntaş*

**15.00-15.15 Coffee break**

**15.15-16.30 Alevis, memory and remembering,** Chair: *Ahmet Kerim Gültekin*

Alevi Historiography in Twentieth-Century Bektashi Texts, *Deniz Ali Gür*

Kerbela Mourning and Alevi Belief, *Bedriye Poyraz*

The Social Construction of the Madımak Massacre as an Alevi Trauma, *Fabio Salomoni*

**18.00-22.00 Conference dinner**

Zara Restaurant, 11 South End Road, Hampstead Heath, London, NW3 2PT

**7 July 2023**

**09.00-09.30 Coffee**

**09.30- 11.00 Alevi movement, law and politics,** Chair: *Hayal Hanoğlu*

The Alevi Identity Movement and Its Agencies: The Alevi Associations and the Contested Domain

of Alevi Politics, *Mehmet Ertan*

Religious Populism of the Alevi Political Movement, *Ömer Tekdemir*

Zazaki as Part of the Alevi Identity Movement, *Zeynep Gökçe*

Assimilation and Alevism An Evaluation on Kurdish and Zaza Music in Dersim, *Aydın Birkan Özkan*

**11.00-11.15 Coffee break**

**11.15-12.45 Alevis, denial and resistance,** Chair: *Sinem Bozkurt*

Social and Political Psychological Background of the Quest for a Liveable Public Life in the Example

of Alevis, *Sercan Karlıdağ*

Participating in djem and psychological well-being: The case of Alevis in Istanbul, Ege Akpınar &

Yasemin Acar

Systematic practice of assimilation and multiple categorisation: Indigeneity and Alevism in Turkey,

*Aynur Ünal*

Discourse of Provocation as a Means of Surveillance: Journalistic Coverage of Anti-Alevi

Discrimination in Turkey, *Nazlı Özkan*

**12.45-14.15 Lunch break**

**14.15-15.45 Alevi poetry,** Chair: *Yeliz Teber*

Contending Discourses on Alevism in post-1980 Turkey, *Ufuk Erol*

An Emotional Community? The Representation of Emotions in Alevi Poetry and its Group-Building

Function, *Cem Kara*

Approaching the micro-level of cultural memory: Intertextuality as a mnemotechnical strategy in

Alevi poetry, *Hasret Tıraz*

The Concept of Related to Faith in ‘Shah Ismail’s Divan’, *Anıl Durdu*

**15.45-16.00 Coffee break**

**16.00-17.15 Alevi spaces and localities,** Chair: *Bedriye Poyraz*

The Talips’ Space: The Role of Private Piety in Revitalization of Raa Haqi Belief System, *Ahmet*

*Kerim Gültekin*

Local Peacebuilding and Alevism, *Dilan Elveren*

The path from the dervish tradition against ownership and money towards a rich-production

network: Traces of Transformation in Abdal Musa Lodge, *Murat Küçük*

**17.15-17.30 Coffee break**

**17.30-19.00 Workshop: Future of Alevism research,** Moderator: *Kumru Berfin Emre*

*All participants*