# Conference Schedule

**8:00 – 9:00 AM**

*Registration and Breakfast – Global and International Studies Building (GISB) 1118*

**9:00 – 10:30 AM**

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*Lunch – GISB 1118*

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**5:30 – 7:00 PM**

*Keynote Presentation*

Dr. Mark Elliott, Harvard University
Fine Arts Building Auditorium

**7:30 PM – 9:00 PM**

*Dinner Reception*

Mathers Museum of World Cultures
416 North Indiana Ave
Panel Information
Arranged by session

Textual Analysis of Central Eurasian Histories
9:00 – 10:30 AM | GISB 1100

Discussant: Dr. Ron Sela
Director, Islamic Studies Program

Panelists:
Michael Krautkraemer, Indiana University
“Standing Ashamed Before God’ Islam and Authority in Xinjiang”

Sassan Zand Moqaddam, Indiana University
“Shams al-Din Mabhibi, an Ill-fated Story of Legitimacy and Authority”

Eduardo Acaron Padilla, Indiana University
“Subcodal Expressions of Courtly Love through Allegories of Nature in Select Ghazal of Hafiz, Rumi, and Saadi”

Contemporary Politics in Central Eurasia
9:00 – 10:30 AM | GISB 1106

Discussant: Dr. Kristoffer Rees
Assistant Professor of Political Science
Department of Criminal Justice and Political Science, Indiana University East

Panelists:
Emily Stranger, Indiana University
“Iran’s Foreign Legions: The Foundation and Dissemination of the New Islamic Resistance”

Shirin Tumenbaeva, American University of Central Asia
“Regional Powers vs. Regional Hegemon: Determinants of Foreign Policy of Central Asia and the South Caucasus”

Chynara Bakyt Kyzy, American University of Central Asia
“Psychological Features of Political Leadership in Central Asia”

Dr. Mira Nurmakhanova, KIMEP University
“Oil and Growth Challenges in Kazakhstan”
Experiences of Modernization
9:00 – 10:30 AM | GISB 1122

Discussant: Dr. Gardner Bovingdon
Department of Central Eurasian Studies and East Asian Languages and Cultures

Panelists: James Baugh, Indiana University
“Khan Resources v. Mongolia: A Microcosm of the Perils of International Investment Arbitration”

Aisuluu Namasbek Kyzy, American University of Central Asia
“Feminist Agenda in Kyrgyz Soviet Magazine ‘Kyrgyzstan Ayaldary’ (Women of Kyrgyzstan) in the 1960s: Why is it Important Today?”

Adel Kosherbayeva, Nazarbayev University
“Ageing Women in Kazakhstan: Qualitative Research”

Kenneth E. Linden, Indiana University
“Veterinarians, Vaccines, and Hybrids in the Mongolian People’s Republic, 1954-1964”

Kőrösi Csoma Sándor (1784-1842): The Life and Work
11:00 AM – 12:30 PM | GISB 1100

Discussant: Valeria Varga
Department of Central Eurasian Studies

Panelists: Gedun Rabsl, Indiana University
“Some Preliminary Remarks on the Tibetan Manuscripts in Kőrösi Csoma Sándor’s Works”

Sara Conrad, Indiana University
“Alexander Kőrösi Csoma Sándor’s Work on Tibetan Geography – Drop a Pin”

Tenzin Tsepak, Indiana University

Legitimacy and Authority in Ancient Central Eurasia
11:00 AM – 12:30 PM | GISB 1106

Discussant: Dr. Jamsheed Choksy
Chair, Department of Central Eurasian Studies
Panelists: Yanxiao He, University of Chicago
“The Establishment of Greek Rule in Central Asia in the Hellenistic Period”

Zhuldyz Tashmanbetova, Nazarbayev University
“Indigenous Christianity of Central Asia: Adoption of Nestorianism in the Medieval Period”

Julian Kreidl, Indiana University
“Kingship in Ancient Bactria”

Shuqi Jia, Leiden University
“The Role of Turks in the Arab Conquest of Transoxiana”

Legitimating the Modern
11:00 AM – 12:30 PM | GISB 1122

Discussant: Dr. Devin DeWeese
Department of Central Eurasian Studies

Panelists: Andras Becker, Indiana University
“Hungary in World War II: Britain’s East-Central European Dilemma”

Dongying Chen, University of Washington

Dilsora Komil-Burley, University of British Columbia
“Transition Away from Socialism and Resurgence of Islam in Uzbekistan”

Identity Politics in the 20th Century
1:30 – 3:00 PM | GISB 1100

Discussant: Dr. Marianne Kamp
Department of Central Eurasian Studies

Panelists: Matthew Hulstine, Indiana University
“Continuity During Times of Change: Sadri Ziya’s Influence on Sadriddin Ayni”

Nicholas Seay, IREX US-Russia Experts Fellow
“Staging the Revolution in Soviet Tajikistan: Mobilization of a New Tajik Writing Intelligentsia, 1938-1941”
Merey Otan, Nazarbayev University
“The Localization of Global Music in Kazakhstan: from Indie Rock to K-pop”

Jessica Storey-Nagy, Indiana University
“Hungary’s Sors-terv: The Growing Indexicality of a Text in Circulation”

**Ming-Qing China in Central Eurasia**
1:30 – 3:00 PM | GISB 1106

**Discussant:** Dr. Jonathan Schlesinger
Department of History

**Panelists:**
Sermoon Caqar, Renmin University
“The Formation of Chakhar Eight Banner’s Niru by Case Study of Kharachin and Hoochid Niru during the Qing Dynasty”

Brendan Devine, Indiana University
“Shifting Legitimacy: Queen Jönggen and the Shunyi Wang in Late 16th and Early 17th Century Mongolian Politics”

Dr. Chia Ning, Central College
“Tribute Systems in Qing and Russian Eurasia: the Indigenous Hunters in the 17th-18th Century Qing-Russian Relationship”

Eric de Roulet, California State University Fullerton
“To Gain the World and Lose Your Language: Language Policy and Political Calculation in Qing China”

**Edges of Eurasia: Celebrating Undergraduate Research**
1:30 – 3:00 PM | GISB 1122

**Discussant:** Dr. Toivo Raun
Department of Central Eurasian Studies

**Panelists:**
Quentin Swaryczewski, Indiana University
“Asserting Legitimacy through Culture: the Udmurts during the 1980s and 1990s”

Chen Wu, Indiana University
“Sixth Arjia Hutugtu between Muslim, Qing, Japan, and Tibet”
Historical Eurasian Migrations
3:30 – 5:00 PM | GISB 1100

Discussant: Dr. Nazif Shahrani
Department of Anthropology, Central Eurasian Studies, and Near Eastern Languages and Culture

Panelists: Gaukhar Baltabayeva, Nazarbayev University
“Migration Intentions of International Students from Kazakhstan in the U.S. and their Transnational Involvement”

Gulnisa Nazarova, Indiana University
“Seeking Hope in the Unknown: Unintended Consequences of Cross-border Uyghur Migration from China to Soviet Central Asia”

Arlen Wiesenthal, University of Chicago
“The Ottoman Throne between Tent and Metropolis: Mobility, Urbanity, and the Question of the ‘Turko-Mongol Legacy’ in Ottoman Courtly Residence Patterns, c. 1650-1750”

Contemporary Ethnographies of Central Eurasia
3:30 – 5:00 PM | GISB 1106

Discussant: Dr. Teresa Nichols
Center for the Study of Global Change

Panelists: John Perugini, University of Arizona
“The Formula One District: Reshaping and Legitimating Baku through Exclusivity”

Murad Ismayilov, Cambridge University

Evangelia Papoutsaki
“Uyghur Diaspora on Facebook and Ethnic Identity Construction Online”

Shoirakhon Nurdinova, Anadolu University
“Working or Not Working: That is the Question! A Qualitative Analysis of the Happiness of Housewives”
Medieval Central Eurasia
3:30 – 5:00 PM | GISB 1122

Discussant: Dr. Michael Brose
Director, East Asian Studies Center; Director, Pan Asia Institute

Panelists: Keith Seeley, Indiana University
“Women Warriors of the Steppe and the Key to their Success”

Mark Gradoni, University of Maryland
“What’s in a Name? The Resumption of Imperial Titulature and Negotiation of Confessional Politics as Pragmatism among the Buyids and Carolingians”

Jason Browning, Indiana University

About the Keynote Speaker

Dr. Mark Elliott is the Vice Provost of International Affairs and Mark Schwartz Professor of Chinese and Inner Asian History at Harvard University. As a scholar, Elliott is an authority on the last four centuries of Chinese history, in particular the Qing period. His research encompasses the history of relations between China and its nomadic frontier, with special attention to questions of ethnicity and empire. His first book, *The Manchu Way: The Eight Banners and Ethnic Identity in Late Imperial China*, is a pioneering study in the “New Qing History,” an approach emphasizing the imprint of Inner Asian traditions upon China’s last imperial state. As Vice Provost, he oversees and works to advance Harvard’s international academic initiatives, negotiating agreements with foreign governments, receiving international delegations, and representing Harvard to peer institutions and alumni worldwide. Dr. Elliott received his B.A. and M.A. from Yale University and his Ph.D. in History at the University of California, Berkeley. He taught at the University of California, Santa Barbara and the University of Michigan before coming to Harvard in 2003.