



University of Cyprus
Department of Turkish and
Middle Eastern Studies

International Workshop
Islam in Cyprus (1878-2013)
May 17, 2013

The intention of this workshop is to bring together researchers on “Islam in Cyprus” from different disciplines in order to trace the related historical, political, societal and religious changes throughout the last 150 years and to shed light on the current situation. In the context of this workshop, *Islam* is used as an umbrella term for Muslim communities, Islamic institutions and forms of religious practice related to Islam.

Program

10.00-11.15

Welcome Address, Introduction (Béatrice Hendrich, Martin Strohmeier)

Keynote Speech

Egdūnas Račius, Vytautas Magnus University (Kaunas, Lithuania):

On the Meanings and Contents of “Euro-Islam”, from a North-Eastern European Perspective

11.30-13.30

Elena Bouleti, Athens:

The Importance of the Muslim Religious Institutions in the Formation of the Turkish Cypriot Community during the Early Years of British Rule in Cyprus, 1878-1931

Rabia Harmansah, University of Pittsburgh (USA):

Fraternal Other: On the Hidden Conflict over Muslim Identity at Hz. Omer Tekke

Martin Strohmeier, University of Cyprus (Nicosia, Cyprus):

The Omeriye Mosque in Nicosia: An *umma* en miniature

15.30-17.30

Simon Stjernholm, Lund University (Sweden):

The Centre of the Universe: Encounters and Developments at the Home of Shaykh Nazim

Béatrice Hendrich, University of Cyprus (Nicosia, Cyprus):

Alevi Associations in Cyprus. Post-1974 Communities in Search of Past and Future

Discussion: Current and Future Research on “Islam in Cyprus”. Defining a Field that Exists Only in the Researchers’ Imagination?

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