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10:00-10:30  WELCOME ADDRESSES
Bahri ŞAHİN  President of Yıldız Technical University
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10:30-12:30  PANEL 1: TERMINOLOGY AND CONTENT
(Chair: Halit Eren)
Ali ÇAKSU  Islamophobia as a Western Tool of Fear Mongering
Elena LUKINYKH  Patriotism as the Modern Justification of Islamophobia
Silva KALČIĆ  NeO-Orientalism in the Contemporary Image
Alma JEFTIĆ  The (Un)Conscious Bias: Origins and Development of Islamophobia in Europe

15:00-17:00  PANEL 2: CENTRAL AND WESTERN EUROPE
(Chair: Amir Duranović)
Isa BLUMI  Nothing New: Islamophobia by Default in Postwar Migration of Turkish and Balkan Muslims to Germany
Leyla YILDIRIM  The Social impact of islamophobia on Muslims in the Netherlands
Mehmet Osman GÜLYEŞİL  How do you deal with the Stranger? Islam between Leitkultur and Multiculturalism in Germany
Linda HYÖKKI  Islamophobic discourse in Finland. From mosque debates to Ramadan festivities

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10:00-11:30  PANEL 3: REFUGEES AND ISLAMOPHOBIA
(Chair: Cengiz Tomar)
Peter POLAK-SPRINGER  Refugees and Islamophobia in the Arab Media: A Focus on Germany and Eastern Europe
Abraham HADI  Islamophobia in Europe and its Repercussions in the East
Abdeslam MARFOUK  I’m Neither Racist nor Xenophobic, but: Dissecting: European Attitudes towards a Ban on Muslims’ Immigration

11:50-13:20  PANEL 4: EASTERN BALKANS
(Chair: Ali Çaksu)
Mehmet HACISALİHOĞLU  History Education in the Balkans and Islamophobia
Ali HÜSEYİNOĞLU  Examining the Status of Islam and Islamophobia in Greece
Esra ÖZSÜER  Ottoman Past in the Greek Imagination and Islamophobia

15:00-16:30  PANEL 5: WESTERN BALKANS
(Chair: Isa Blumi)
Amir DURANOVIĆ  Islamic community in Bosnia & Herzegovina and Islamophobia
Jeton MEHMETI  The Challenges of Post-War Institutional Arrangements of Religion in Kosovo

FINAL DISCUSSION