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11 October 2012 Thursday
9:00-11:00 WELCOME ADDRESSES
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KEYNOTES
Fikret ADANIR
Ethnonationalism, Irredentism, and Empire: Notes on the Last “Turkish War” in Europe
Wolfgang HÖPKEN
At the Brink of “Modernity”? The Balkan Wars in 20th Century European Warfare

11:30-13:15 PANEL 1: DIPLOMACY
(Chair: Aydın Babuna)
Bruno Korea GAJSKI
European Diplomacy and the Balkan Wars
Gül TOKAY
Balkan Wars and Great Powers through the Eyes of the Ottoman Diplomats: An Interpretation
M. Hakan YAVUZ
The Connection between War-Making and Nationalism in the Balkans
Konrad CLEWING
The War that Did Not End in 1912/13: Violence and Ethnic Politics in Southwestern Macedonia and Southern Albania
Michael HESSELHOLT
The Distant Storm and the Final Preparations for the Great War in Northern Europe

15:30-17:15 PANEL 2: DEMOGRAPHIC/SOCIAL ENGINEERING
(Chair: Ömer Çaha)
Katrin BOECKH
Hopes and Illusions of Pan-Slavism: Pan-Slavic Actors and their Mobilizing Efforts during the Balkan Wars
Mehmet HACISALİHOĞLU
Negotiations and Agreements for Population Transfers in the Balkans (from the Beginning of the 19th Century until 1912)
Edvin PEZO
Violence and Population Movements in the Balkan Wars and after. Dynamics and Entanglements of States and Societies in Periods of Crisis
Vera GOSEVA
The Position of the Muslim Population in Salonica and its Environment during the Balkan Wars 1912-1913
Natasha KÖTLAR-TRAYKOVA

12 October 2012 Friday
9:00-10:45 PANEL 3: SOLDIERS
(Chair: Taha Akyol)
Richard HALL
The Thrakian Theater of War
Mehmet BEŞİKÇİ
Perceiving the Defeat: The Failure of Ottoman Manpower Mobilization in the Balkan Wars and its Reform
Claudiu-Lucian TOPOR
Forgotten Lessons of the Balkan War: the Romanian Army between the Bulgarian Campaign (1913) and the Disaster of Turtucaia (1916)
Spyridon TSOUTSOUMPI
Culture, Combat and the Barbarisation of Warfare among Greek Soldiers

13 October 2012 Saturday
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Sabine RUTAR
At the Doorstep to the Balkans: Increased Warship Building and Fear of War in Trieste

11:15-13:00 PANEL 4: CIVILIANS, WOUNDED, INVALIDS
(Chair: Heike Karge)
Oya DAĞLAR MACAR
The British Red Cross Assistance in the Balkan Wars
Mile BJELAJAĆ
Treatment of Civilians, Wounded and Captured Enemies by the Serbian Army 1912 – 1913
Iakovos D. MICHAELIDIS
“Collateral Damages”: The Fate of Civilians in Macedonia
Eyal GINIO
Charity and Nationalism in the Home Front: Jewish Philanthropy during the Balkan Wars

14:30-16:15 PANEL 5: MEMORIES OF VICTORY AND DEFEAT
(Chair: Gencer Öçan)
Stefan ROHDEWALD
Figures of National Religious Memory and Their (Ab)Uses in and after the Balkan Wars as a History of Entanglements
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