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22th October, Thursday

ATK Sanatevi

10:00-10:30 **Opening Address:** Prof. Dr. Abdülrezak Altun
Ankara University (Vice Dean, ilef)

Asst. Prof. Dr. Gül Karagöz-Kızılca
(Conference Organization Committee)

10:30-11:50 **Keynote Speaker:** Prof. Dr. Juan Cole
University of Michigan

12:00-13:20 **Lunch**

22th October, Thursday

ATK Sanatevi

13:30-14:50 **Representations of “Wars” and Conflicts
in the Middle East**

Moderator: Assoc. Prof. Dr. Pinar Bedirhanoglu
METU

Neglectful Archives:

A Critique of Western Representations of Afghanistan”

Wali Ahmadi

Representation of Syrian Refugees in Turkish Media:

A Critical Analysis of the News Item

Alpaslan Nas

Remembrance and Journalistic Struggle

in the Kurdish Press Tradition

Caroline McKusick

15:00-15:20 **Coffee Break**



22th October, Thursday

Sinema Salonu

13:30-14:50 **Images of the Middle East in Art and Orientalism**

Moderator: Assoc. Prof. Dr. Özgür Yaren
Ankara University, ilef

Drawing a Line: Orientalism and Comics

Duygu Coşkuntuna

*Practices of Digital Poetry and Literature
dissemination on 'free' and the state-controlled platforms
in the Arab World*

Nele Lenze

The Representation of Arabs in Turkish Cinema

Çiçek Coşkun & Demo Ahmet Arslan

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22th October, Thursday

ATK Sanatevi

15:30-17:30 **Debates on Turkey**

Moderator: Assoc. Prof. Dr. Mustafa Kemal Bayırbağ
METU

Euphemism as a tool for Othering Middle East:

*An Observation on Middle East Discourse and Media under
AKP Administration*

Burcu Kaya Erdem

Methodological Problems of Hate Speech Studies in Turkey

Gülseren Adaklı

*Mecmua-i Akhbar (1884-1916) and its Representation
of the Abolition of Censorship in 1908.*

Hülya Eraslan

19:00-21:00 **Conference Cocktail**

Venue: Türkiye Gazeteciler Cemiyeti
(Turkish Journalists' Association)

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23th October, Friday

ATK Sanatevi

10:30-11:50 **Understanding Arab Uprisings Through Media**

Moderator: Asst. Prof. Dr. Daniel Johnson
Bilkent University

*In and Out of Power: The Muslim Brotherhood's Constructions
of Egyptian identity in post "Arab Spring" Egypt*

Sara Fayyad

*Passionate Publics: Emotions & Events through
Media in the Jan25 Revolution*

Yasmeen Mekawy

*The Arab Spring through Political Cartoons:
Visual Presentations of a Changing Middle-East*

Asma Hedi Nairi

12:00-13:30 **Lunch**



23th October, Friday

Sinema Salonu

10:30-11:50 **Media and Gender Relations in the Middle East**

Moderator: Prof. Dr. Çiler Dursun
Ankara University, ilef

The Syrian Migrant Women in Çukurova

İlker Özdemir & Sema Erdoğan

*Iraqi Media as an International Project:
Gender Politics and Journalism in Iraqi Kurdistan*

Deniz Gökalp

*Representations of Female Characters
in the Middle Eastern Cinema*

*(The Analysis of "Osama", "Seperation"
and "Factory Girl" movies)*

Neda Zandi & Mohammed Naser Ahadi

12:00-13:30 **Lunch**



23th October, Friday

ATK Sanatevi

13:30-14:50 **Islamism and Sectarian Conflict in the Middle East**

Moderator: Assoc. Prof. Dr. Aykan Erdemir
Bilkent University

*Analyzing Al-Alam and Al-Jazeera Arabic Approaches Toward
Bahrain Crisis from 2011-2013*

Azadeh Shoshtari

*From Anatolian Ram To African Muslims:
Identity, Nationalism and Transnationalism in Advertisements
of Sacrifice Feast in Contemporary Turkey*

Peyman Eshaghi

*A Nascent but Reluctant Minority of the 'Middle East':
Remapping the sectarian map and the Alevis of Turkey
in the Wake of the Syrian Crisis*

Besim Can Zırh & Ceren Lord

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Sinema Salonu

13:30-14:50 **Memory, Media and the Middle East**

Moderator: Assoc. Prof. Dr. Aslı Yağmurlu
Ankara University, ilef

*The Radio and TV Systems in the Middle East from
a Comparative Perspective: A Revision*

Oya Tokgöz

*The Chaos and Crises in the Middle East
in the New World Order: An Examination of ISIL*

Nuran Yıldız

*The Representation of Middle East in Written and Visual Media:
Books, Their Covers and Dialogical Consciousness*

Gülşen Ertürk Evgin

*Forming the Visual Memory of Social Movements:
Digital Media Archive*

Özge Çelikaslan & Alper Şen

15:00-15:20 **Coffee Break**

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23th October, Friday

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15:30-16:50 **"Reporting from the Middle East"
(Roundtable Discussion)**

Moderator: Assoc. Prof. Dr. Burcu Sümer
Ankara University, ilef

Walid Batrawi, BBC Palestine Correspondent

Kadri Gürsel, Independent Journalist

Ceyda Karan, Cumhuriyet

17:00-17:20 **Coffee Break**

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23th October, Friday

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17:30-18:30 **Closing Panel Discussion:**
Understanding Contemporary Middle East:
Developing a Critical Alternative

Moderator: Asst. Prof. Dr. Cenk Saraçoğlu
Ankara University, ilef

Prof. Dr. İlhan Uzgel
Ankara University

Asst. Prof. Dr. Clemens Hoffmann
Bilkent University

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