

September 18, Monday
Registration 11:30 – 12:00
Opening of the conference 12:00 – 12:15
Armenian Genocide Museum-Institute Conference Hall
8/8 Tsitsernakaberd highway

Opening speech
Harutyun Marutyan Chairman of the organizing committee, Director of Armenian Genocide Museum-Institute Foundation (AGMI)

Welcoming speech
Raymond Haroutioun Kévorkian Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the AGMI Foundation, Prof., France

12:15 – 13:45
THE TOPIC OF ARMENIAN
GENOCIDE IN VISUAL ART: ROAD TO THE DEATH
Opening of temporary exhibition

Coffee break 13:45 – 14:00

Keynote speech 14:00 – 15:00

Raymond Haroutioun Kévorkian Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the AGMI Foundation, Prof., France
The Young Turk regime and the decision to annihilate the last deportees

Lunch break 15:00 – 15:50

SESSION I: 15:50 – 17:30

Session chairperson **Harutyun Marutyan** (AGMI Director Ph.D., Armenia)

Arsen Avagyan (Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of Armenia to the Republic of Iran, Ph.D.)
Der Zor Concentration Camp

Mihran Minassian (AGMI, Advisor, Armenia)
Testimonies collected by Aram Andonian about the places of concentration of Armenian exiles in Syria

Hilmar Kaiser (Researcher, Doctor of History, Cambodia)
The Ottoman Empire and Der Zor in 1916

Antranik Dakessian (Director of The Haigazian University Armenian Diaspora Research Center, Ph.D., Lebanon)
The Concentration Camp of Armenian Exiles in Katma

Q&A

September 19, Tuesday
Registration 9:30 – 10:00
Armenian Missionary Association of America Hall
Marshal Bagramyan Ave. 18

Session I: 10:00 – 11:15

Session chairperson **Suren Manukyan** (AGMI Head of Department of Comparative Genocide Studies named after V. Dadrian, Ph.D., Armenia)

Vahram Shemmassian (Professor and the Director of the Armenian Studies Program in the Department of Modern and Classical Languages and Literatures at the California State University, Northridge, Northridge, Ph.D., USA)
Humanitarian Intervention by the Armenian Prelacy of Aleppo during the First Months of the Genocide

Hayk Martirosyan (Researcher at Lepsiushaus, Ph.D., Germany)
German missionary stations and caravans of exiles. problems of distribution of European financial flows during the Armenian Genocide

Narine Margaryan (AGMI Scientific secretary, Ph.D., Armenia)
The attitude of tent-dwelling Arabs towards Armenian deportees in concentration camps

Q&A

Lunch break 11:15-11:40

Session II: 11:40 – 12:55

Session chairperson **Hayk Martirosyan** (Researcher at Lepsiushaus, Ph.D., Germany)

Gohar Khanumyan (AGMI, head of the funds, Armenia)
Yervand Sharapkhanyan: The deportation route of an Armenian Survivor from Mets Nor Gyugh to Ras al-Ayn

Robert Tatoyan (AGMI, Senior Researcher at the Department of Source Studies, Ph.D., Armenia)
The attempt of armed resistance of exiled Zeytun Armenians in Sheddadie concentration camp

Anna Kazaryan (Independent Researcher, Armenia)
Deportation of Armenians from the district of Kghi of Erzurum province: from Kghi to Der Zor

Q&A

Lunch break 12:55-14:00

Session III: 14:00 – 15:15

Session chairperson **Raymond Haroutioun Kévorkian** (Chairman of the AGMI Board of Trustees, France)

Harutyun Marutyan (AGMI director, Ph.D., Armenia)
“Salvation” as Genocide (according to the first collection of testimonies of survivors of the road to exile)

Lusine Abrahamyan (AGMI, Deputy Director for Museum Affairs, Armenia)
Trapizon Armenians on the way to deportation and the unpublished memoir of a Genocide survivor Zepyur Metspakhyan

Vahe Tachjian Head of the research project “Houshamadyan”, Ph.D., Germany)
Hama-Salamiya deportation place: Genocide descriptions through the diary of Father Nerses Tavugjian

Q&A

September 20, Wednesday
Registration 9:30 – 10:00
Armenian Genocide Museum-Institute Conference Hall
8/8 Tsitsernakaberd highway

Session I: 10:00 – 11:35

Session chairperson **Hilmar Kaiser** (Researcher, Doctor of History, Cambodia)

Nora Arissian (Embassy of the Syrian Arab Republic in Armenia, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary, Ph.D.)
Testimonies of Syrian eyewitnesses about concentration camps

Boris Adjemian (Director of AGBU Nubarian Library, France)
Writing about the Meskene camp: Aram Andonian from literature to documentation

Avo Katerjian (Independent Researcher, Syria)
The reflection of concentration camps in song and music

James Carl Osorio (Teaching Assistant, University of Wisconsin–Madison, USA)
Variations on a Theme of a Silent Dirge: “Der Zor Çölünde” and the Armenian Genocide, 1915-1923

Q&A

Coffee break 11:35 – 12:00

Session II: 12:00 – 13:15

Session chairperson **Boris Adjemian** (Director of AGBU Nubarian Library, France)

Mariam Hergnyan (Independent Researcher, Armenia)
An attempt of a psychological analysis of exiles sent to concentration camps during the Armenian genocide

Shushan Khachatryan, Hayk Hakobyan (AGMI, Head of The Armenian Genocide Victims’ Documentation and Data Collection Department, Ph.D. // Researcher, Institute of Archaeology and Ethnography NAS RA, Armenia, Ph.D., Armenia)
The Archaeology of Armenian Genocide: About the discovery of Armenian martyrdom sites and fragments

Tehmine Martoyan (AGMI, Senior researcher at The Armenian Genocide Victims’ Documentation and Data Collection Department, Ph.D., Armenia)
Deportation as a Component of Genocide: partial displacements in Smyrna

Q&A

Lunch break 13:15 – 14:15

Visit to the Armenian Genocide Memorial 14:15 – 15:00

Session III: 15:00 – 16:00

Session chairperson **Shushan Khachatryan** (AGMI, Head of The Armenian Genocide Victims’ Documentation and Data Collection Department, Ph.D., Armenia)

Khatchig Mouradian
(Lecturer in Middle Eastern, South Asian, and African Studies at Columbia University, and the Armenian and Georgian Area Specialist at the Library of Congress, Ph.D., USA)

Concentration Camps during the Armenian Genocide in World-Historical Context

Dmitry Shlapentokh
(Associate Professor in the Department of History, Indiana University, USA)

Concentration camps during the Armenian Genocide and Stalinism

Closing of the conference: 16:00 – 16:45



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