

Second Meeting of Balkan History

From the Janissaries to Macedonia, and beyond

**Reconsidering Balkan rebellions in the
Ottoman and post-Ottoman era:
concepts, interpretative frameworks
and methodologies.**

**Rethymno
February 25, 2025**

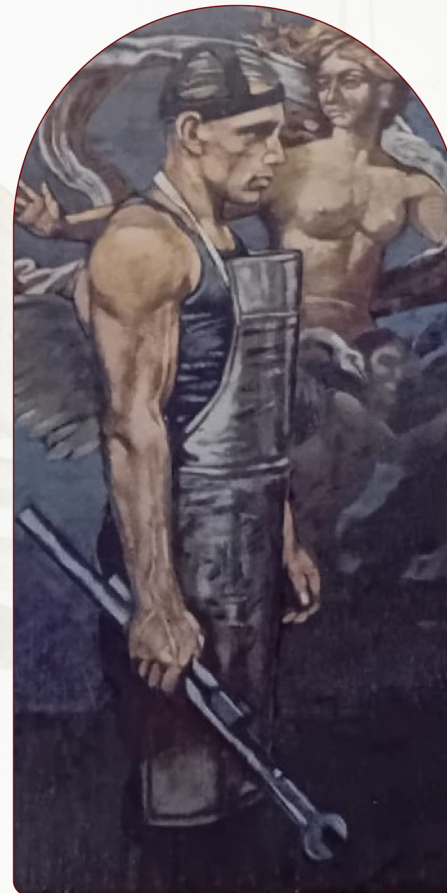
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Venue: Institute for Mediterranean Studies
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Programme

Welcome and Introduction 9:30-10:30

1st panel 10:30-12:10

Religious, confessional and eschatological dimensions of late-medieval and early-modern rebellions

Ludvine Voisin (EfA): “Of rebellious and disobedient monks in Latin-ruled Greek territories (13th-16th c.)”

Eleni Gara (University of the Aegean): “Apocalyptic thought and anti-Ottoman rebellion in the late 16th-early 17th century”

Coffee break 12:10-12:30

2nd panel 12:30-14:10

(Re)shaping the sultanate: Rebellions in ottoman politics

Marinos Sariyannis (IMS/FORTH): “Illegitimacy and justification: Ottoman images of revolt”

Yannis Spyropoulos (IMS/FORTH): “Çalık Ahmed's Dream: Unfolding the political vision of the rebel who dethroned Mustafa II”

Break 14:10-15:40

3rd panel 15:40-17:20

Rebellions in the era of nationalism and their afterlives in historiography and public history

Dmitar Tasic (Institute for Recent History of Serbia): “The last resort of political struggle: Armed rebellions in Serbia’s long 19th century”

Tasos Kostopoulos (IMS/FORTH): “From Abortive to "Fake" Revolts: the Ilinden (1904) and Drama (1941) Uprisings in the Eyes of Greek Historiography and Political Discourse.”

4th panel

Resistance, rebellion and revolution in the 20th century Balkans: national and international claims

Alexander Vezekov (IMS/FORTH): “Reconsidering the national narrative of World War II antifascist resistance in Bulgarian historiography”

Agustin Cosovschi (EfA): “From the mountains to the world. Veljko Vlahović and the refashioning of revolutionary tradition in the Balkans”