Registration open until 30 June!

Freie Universität Berlin

Comprehending „Byzantium after Byzantium“

An Introduction to Ottoman Historical Sources

Summer Course (22-26 July 2019) with Dr Georgios Liakopoulos (MPI SHH Jena/FU Berlin)

The Origin of the Ottoman Dynasty (from the ‘Evrenos Family Tree’ , ca. 1675 CE, Photo: G. Liakopoulos)

This course aims at introducing students to the various primary sources of Ottoman History and the methodological approaches used in current research, with special focus on the transitional period between the Byzantine and the Ottoman Empire (14th-15th c.). The Ottoman sources are invaluable for they cast light on the Late Mediaeval and Early Modern History of the Balkans, the Middle East and North Africa. The course will help students approach historical sources, teach them to record and scrutinise the quantitative and qualitative data contained therein, and to work towards formulating well-grounded historical conclusions based on these sources (cross-checking against other sources, evaluation, etc.). Students will be required to participate in examining and analysing selected Ottoman texts (in English translation), in order to practise the relevant research skills described above. Knowledge of Modern and/or Ottoman Turkish is desirable, but not a requirement, as the course will include a basic introduction to Ottoman Turkish script and language.

Time: **22-26 July 2019, 10:00-16:00**
Place: **Room K 29/204,**
Habelschwerdter Allee 45,
14195 Berlin-Dahlem
Lecturer: **Dr Georgios Liakopoulos**

Registration and Attendance are free! You can receive ECTS credit points for this course.
Please register until 30 June via e-mail to:

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