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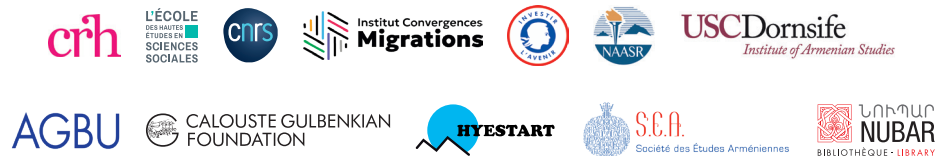
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# ARMENIAN DIASPORA(S) IN MOTION

**SPACES, STAKEHOLDERS  
AND PRACTICES IN THE 21<sup>ST</sup> CENTURY**

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**TWO-DAY INTERNATIONAL COLLOQUIUM**  
CENTRE DES COLLOQUES, CAMPUS CONDORCET, AUBERVILLIERS (M<sup>o</sup> FRONT POPULAIRE)

## DAY 1: MARCH 14, 2024

**10:00 AM WELCOME COFFEE**

**10:30 AM OPENING REMARKS BY ORGANIZERS**

**10:45 AM PANEL 1**

### ARMENIAN DIASPORA(S): FROM MODELS TO DYNAMICS

**Simon PAYASLIAN**

BOSTON UNIVERSITY, USA

“Nationalism and the Pathologization of Diasporic Existence: The Thanatology of the Armenian Diaspora”

**Aleksandr V. GEVORKYAN**

ST JOHN'S UNIVERSITY, USA

“Diaspora's Uneasy Social and Economic Relationship with Armenia Since Independence or Why History, Culture, Trust, and Engagement Infrastructure Matter: A Survey-Based Analysis”

**Vahe SAHAKYAN**

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN-DEARBORN, USA

“Transcultural Armenianness: Diasporic Localism and Impersonal Transnationalism”

### DISCUSSANT(S)

**Khachig TÖLÖLYAN**

WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY, USA

**Talar CHAHINIAN**

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, IRVINE, USA

**12:15 PM LUNCH BREAK**

**2:00 PM PANEL 2**

### OLD CENTERS & NEW TRENDS: DIASPORAS IN THE (UN)MAKING

**Gohar ISKANDERYAN**

NATIONAL ACADEMY OF SCIENCES, ARMENIA

“Shrinking Iranian Armenian Community and Its Reasons”

**Arman KHACHATRYAN**

BEN-GURION UNIVERSITY OF THE NEGEV, ISRAEL  
& INSTITUTE OF ARCHAEOLOGY AND ETHNOGRAPHY, ARMENIA

“The Armenians of Israel:  
New Actors in the Old Diaspora”

**Carlos ANTARAMIAN**

EL COLEGIO DE MICHOACÁN, MEXICO

“The Revitalization of the Armenian Community in Mexico”

**Annika TÖRNE**

BASEL UNIVERSITY, SWITZERLAND

**Zadig TISSERAND**

IEP PARIS, FRANCE

“Brothers in Arms, Brothers in Spirit: The Diasporization of the Armenians in Karabakh on the Example of the Hamshen Armenians in Abkhazia”

### DISCUSSANT

**Stéphane DE TAPIA**

UNIVERSITY OF STRASBOURG, FRANCE

**4:00 PM COFFEE BREAK**

**4:30 AM PANEL 3**

### RETURNING DIASPORAS AND FORMS OF DIASPORIC RETURNS

**Nvard MELKONYAN**

YEREVAN STATE UNIVERSITY, ARMENIA

“Pull-Push Factors for the Return of Armenians from Russia and Ukraine to Their Homeland: Relocation or a New Wave of Repatriation”

**Konrad SIEKIERSKI**

KING'S COLLEGE LONDON, UK

“En Route to the Roots: Armenian Pilgrimage to the Lost Homeland”

**Cécile LEFÈVRE**

UNIVERSITÉ PARIS CITÉ, FRANCE

**Sophie HOHMANN**

INSTITUT NATIONAL DES LANGUES ET CIVILISATIONS ORIENTALES, FRANCE

**Alice BOCCARA**

RENNES 2 UNIVERSITY, FRANCE

“Jeunesses des diasporas arméniennes : entre Arménie réelle, rêvée, rejetée”

### DISCUSSANTS

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## DAY 2: MARCH 15, 2024

**10:00 AM PANEL 4**

### (IN)VISIBLE DIASPORA AGENTS

**Talinn GRIGOR**

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, DAVIS, USA

“Of Feminist Interventions in Irano-Armenian Diaspora-in-Motion: Suitcase Objects as Depository”

**Houri BERBERIAN**

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, IRVINE, USA

“Of Feminist Interventions in Irano-Armenian Diaspora-in-Motion: Informality of Oral Histories”

**Janice OKOOMIAN**

RHODE ISLAND COLLEGE, USA

“‘Come, Dear Sister: Let's Unite’: Feminist Cohorts and Interventions in the Armenian American Diaspora”

### DISCUSSANT

**Alain NAVARRA**

HYESTART, SWITZERLAND & UNIVERSITY OF BOLOGNA, ITALY

**11:30 AM PANEL 5**

### NEGOTIATING BELONGINGS IN CHANGING DIASPORAS

**Irena GRIGORYAN**

KOÇ UNIVERSITY, TURKEY

“Negotiating Place and Identity in a Forced Journey: Syrian-Armenians Between Homelands”

**Natalya KOSMARSKAYA**

RUSSIAN ACADEMY OF SCIENCES, MOSCOW, RUSSIA

“‘I am Drifting Between the Two Poles’: Identity Construction of Armenians of Mixed Parentage in the Big Cities of Russia”

**Yulia ANTONYAN**

YEREVAN STATE UNIVERSITY, ARMENIA

“‘We Could Not Find Enough Spirituality in the Armenian Church Anymore’: the Identity Trap and the Search for New Patterns of Religiosity (the Case of the Armenian Community of Beirut)”

### DISCUSSANT

**Taline TER MINASSIAN**

INSTITUT NATIONAL DES LANGUES ET CIVILISATIONS ORIENTALES, FRANCE

**1:00 PM LUNCH BREAK**

**2:30 PM PANEL 6**

### NEW PLATFORMS FOR DIASPORIC AGENCY

**Houry PILIBOSSIAN**

AMERICAN UNIVERSITY OF ARMENIA, ARMENIA

“*Hi Haleb*: Community Digital Archive”

**Karen JALLATYAN**

LEIBNIZ INSTITUTE FOR THE HISTORY AND CULTURE OF EASTERN EUROPE (GWZ), GERMANY

“Vahé Oshagan, or On Diasporic Education”

**Swante LUNDGREN**

LUND UNIVERSITY, SWEDEN

“Young Swedish Armenians in a Time of Digital and Transnational Activism”

### DISCUSSANT

**Shushan KARAPETIAN**

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, USA

**4:00 PM COFFEE BREAK**

**4:30 AM PANEL 7**

### THE ARMENIAN DIASPORA AND “STATELESS POWER”

Roundtable about the publication of *The Armenian Diaspora and “Stateless Power”*. *Collective Identity in the Transnational 20th Century* with co-editors Talar Chahinian (University of California, Irvine, USA), Sossie Kasbarian (University of Stirling, UK) and Tsolin Nalbantian (Leiden University, Netherlands), as well as contributors Boris Adjemian, Karen Jallatyan, Vahe Sahakyan and Khachig Tölölyan.

### DISCUSSANT

**Sossie KASBARIAN**

UNIVERSITY OF STIRLING, UK

**5:30 PM CONCLUDING REMARKS**

**Khachig TÖLÖLYAN**

WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY, USA

**Michel BRUNEAU**

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