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PRESENT A WEBINAR

Manuscript Heritage of Artsakh and Utik



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In this webinar, Dr. Vahan Ter-Ghevondian, the Director of the Matenadaran/Mesrop Mashtots Institute of Ancient Manuscripts, will present the recent Matenadaran publication *Manuscript Heritage of Artsakh and Utik*, co-authored by Dr. Hravard Hakobyan, Dr. Tamara Minasyan, and Dr. Vahe Torosyan. The publication was made possible by a grant from the Lawrence Terzian Fund of the AGBU within the framework of the AGBU Artsakh Research Grants.

The volume consists of three parts and reflects the history of Artsakh and Utik, presents the scriptoria and educational centers of these regions that operated adjacent to the large monasteries, as well as reveals the iconographic peculiarities of illuminated manuscripts created between the 13th and the 18th centuries. More than hundred images of the illuminated manuscripts are included in the book, aimed at propagating the rich and, at the same time, little known written culture of Artsakh and Utik.

Dr. Vahan Ter-Ghevondian has served as the Director of the Matenadaran since 2018, having been the acting Director since 2016. He is the author of *L'Arménie Cilicienne et les Pays Arabes du Proche-Orient* (1990), *Kilikyan Hayastaně ev Ayyubyan petut'yunnerě* (1171-1260) (Cilician Armenia and the Ayyubid States, 1171-1260), and co-editor of *Catalogue of the Qur'an Manuscripts of the Matenadaran* (2017), among numerous other publications.

