

CALL FOR PAPER AND INVITATION

FOR THE 7TH SYMPOSIUM FOR ARAMEAN STUDIES

We would like to invite you to the interdisciplinary Aramaic-language Symposium that will be held from the **1st to 3rd of Oktober, 2022** at the Research Center for Aramean Studies of the Department of Languages and Cultures of the Near East, Semitic Studies at the University of Heidelberg.

The present Symposium of Aramean Studies continues the tradition of the Symposium "Suryoye I-Suryoye", which began in 2002 and then took place six times over the course of twelve years. The goal back then was, as it is now, to offer scientists and advanced students the opportunity to present latest research on their own language, literature, history or art and to discuss it with the interested audience.

The event intends to provide an overview of the aramean research fields, as well as to strengthen interdisciplinary cooperation between scientists from different disciplines and to initiate new research projects. The Symposium also aims to encourage young people to engage in Aramean Studies more.

The speakers and the interested audience, regardless of which Syrian denomination they belong to, will find a platform beyond the political disputes where they can reflect on themselves scientifically in their **own Aramaic language** and exchange ideas about essential scientific projects for the community. It is a forum unique in its kind in scholarship and important for the self-understanding of own community.

The article should deal with one of the following topics:

I. Historical Aspect

Social and Cultural History

II. Cultural Aspect

Migration, Ethnicity, Identity, Religiosity

III. Linguistic Aspect

Challenges for the Development of the Aramaic Spoken Language: Scripting and Publications. Language contact with the national languages.

IV. Political Aspect

Sayfo. Political and Social Situation in the Region of Origin

V. Artistic Aspect

Art and music history and architecture

A total of 18 contributions are planned (each 20 minutes lecture + 10 minutes discussion). The Symposium starts punctually on Saturday at 3:00 p.m. and ends on Monday with lunch. We would be pleased to welcome you as a speaker or participant at the symposium!

SIGN UP

To submit a presentation, please email zeki.bilgic@ori.uni-heidelberg.de with the following information: name, institutional affiliation, and title of the presentation, as well as a short abstract (approx. 250 words). Unfortunately, the conference fee for speakers cannot be waived. In addition, the NISIBIN – Foundation for Aramean Studies cannot cover travel and accommodation costs.

The deadline for submitting conference papers is the 15th of August, 2022

To register as a passive participant, please send an email to zeki.bilgic@ori.uni-heidelberg.de

with the following information: name and field of study or profession. As soon as the participation fee has been received, the registration is considered binding.

REGISTRATION FEE

The registration fee applies to both speakers and participants and includes the conference fee and all meals. Until the 1st of September, 2022, the registration fee for students who are members of the NISIBIN-association is 60 €, for non-members it is 80 €; 100 € for employees who are members and 130 € for non-members. After 1st of September, 2022, the registration fee increases by 20 €.

OVERNIGHT ACCOMMODATION

The following hotels are recommended for overnight stays (they are a five min walk from the venue): Hotel Holländer Hof, Hotel Goldener Hecht, Hotel am Rathaus, Hotel am Markt. For more information, <https://www.heidelberg.de/hd/HD/Besuchen/Tourist+Information.html>.

Please transfer the registration fee to:

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