

## Ani at the Crossroads (Tbilisi, 17-19 Nov 17)

Tbilisi, Georgia, Nov 17-19, 2017

Zaza Skhirtladze

Ani at the Crossroads

International Conference

Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University, Institute of Art History and Theory

FRIDAY, 17 NOVEMBER

Tbilisi State University, Building I, Room 107. 1 Chavchavadze Avenue

9:30

Registration of Participants

10:00

Opening of the Conference

Giorgi Sharvashidze, Rector, Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University

Nana Gaprindashvili, Dean, Faculty of Humanities, Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University

Nikoloz Antidze, Director General, National Agency for Georgian Cultural Heritage Preservation

10:30

Session I

Chair: Zaza Skhirtladze

Ani – The Global and the Local

Antony Eastmond, Courtauld Institute of Art, University of London

Ani in Nineteenth-century Travel Literature and Scholarship

Erik Thunø, Rutgers University

Who is a Leader? Changing Church Geography in the 13th-century Caucasus

Giorgi Tcheishvili, Institute of the History and Ethnology, Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University

Churches in Ani - Ethnocultural and Confessional Aspects

Buba Kudava, Caucasus University

Markers of the Sacred City in Ani: Textual and Architectural Evidence

Irine Giviashvili, University of Oxford

13:00 – 14:00

Coffee break

14:00

Session II

Chair: Erik Thunø

Ani as a Symbol of Statehood in Armenian Historical Imagination

S. Peter Cowe, University of California, Los Angeles

The Titulature of the Mkhargrdzelis in Armenian Epigraphy in the Southern Caucasus

Vladimer Kekelia, National Centre of Manuscripts

«Silver Crisis» and Monetary Circulation of Ani

Armine Zohrabyan, Hasmik Hovhannisyan, History Museum of Armenia

Ani in the Georgian Numismatics

Maia Pataridze, Georgian National Museum

Irakli Pagava, Giorgi Tsereteli Institute of Oriental Studies, Ilia State University

Underground Ani: New Evidences

Vedat Akcayoz, Kars Culture and Art Association

17:00

OPENING OF THE PHOTO EXHIBITION

“Monuments of Ani” by Vedat Akcayoz

SATURDAY, 18 NOVEMBER

Georgian National Museum, Auditorium A, 1 Purtseladze Street

10:00

Welcome

David Lordkipanidze, Director General, Georgian National Museum

10:30

Session III

Chair: Antony Eastmond

Ani's Multicultural Milieu, and New Trends in Armenian Architecture During Queen Tamar's Period

Patrick Donabédian, Aix Marseille University

Pictorial Narration of the Conversion of Armenia and Georgia in the Murals of the Church of St.

Gregory the Illuminator in Ani – New Materials

Neli Chakvetadze, Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University

The Vita Cycle of St. Gregory the Illuminator in Ani: the Cult of the Saint and the History of Conversion in the Context of Ethno Confessional Relationships

Nana Sikharulidze, Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University

Defence and Adornment: the System of Fortification of Ani  
Teo Jalaghania, Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University

From Anatolia to Caucasus: Evangelists in Christian Art and Architecture  
Tülin Çoruhlu, Sakarya University  
Fevzi Çelebi, Düzce University

13:00 -14:00

Coffee Break

14:00

OPENING OF THE PHOTO EXHIBITION  
"Ani in Old Photography" (Collections of the Georgian National Museum)

15:00

Session IV

Chair: Giorgi Tcheishvili

Ceramic into Stone: Architectural Decoration at Ani During the Mkhargrdzeli Dynasty  
Scott Redford, School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London

Muqarnas and Stone: Piecing Together the Evidence from Armenian and Islamic  
Architecture

Oya Pancaroğlu, Bogazici University

Silk Road without Fabrics: Ani at the Crossroads of Trade and Textile Motives in  
Architecture

Patricia Blessing, Pomona College

Materials from Ani in the Collections of Georgian National Museum  
Jimsher Ckhvimiiani, Georgian National Museum

17:00

Final Discussion

SUNDAY, 19 NOVEMBER

9:00 – 20:00

Excursion

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