Shaping the Modern Body
Fashion, Food, Health and Manners across South-Eastern Europe and the Ottoman Empire
(17th-19th centuries)

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THURSDAY, 23 MAY

09.45 Welcome and Opening Remarks

10.00 – 11.00 Keynote lecture
Chair: Giulia CALVI (University of Siena & New Europe College, Bucharest)

Ulinka RUBLACK (University of Cambridge)
The Triumph of Fashion: Towards A Global History

11.00 - 11.30 Coffee Break

11.30 – 12.30 Session I: Medical Practices
Chair and Discussant: Mária PAKUÇS ("Nicolae Iorga" Institute of History & New Europe College, Bucharest)

Giulia CALVI (University of Siena & New Europe College, Bucharest)
The Body of Nature. Travelling Scientists across the Ottoman Empire (XVI-XVII)

Miri SHEFER-MOSSENSOHN (Tel Aviv University)
Ottoman Physicians around 1700. Rethinking the Body of the Patient
12.30 - 14.00 Lunch

14.00 – 15.30 Session II: Health, Food and Remedies
Chair and discussant: Rossitsa Gradeva (American University in Bulgaria)

Mária PAKUCS ("Nicolae Iorga" Institute of History & New Europe College, Bucharest)
"They Steal it From the Sultan’s Pharmacy": Pharmaceuticals and Medicines in Early Modern Transylvania

Hedda REINDL-KIEL (University of Bonn)
The Balance of Food: Body, Health and Food in the Ottoman Empire (17th-18th century)

Sorin GRIGORUȚĂ ("A. D. Xenopol" Institute of History, Iași)
Weakness of the Body: Patiens and Pysicians in Early Modern Moldavia

15.30 - 16.00 Coffee Break

16.00 – 17.00 Keynote lecture
Chair: Constanța VINTILĂ-GHIȚULESCU ("Nicolae Iorga" Institute of History & New Europe College, Bucharest)

Barbara STOLLBERG-RILINGER (Wissenschaftskolleg zu Berlin)
“The Most Beautiful of Women”. Empress Maria Theresa’s Body Politics

19:00 Dinner

FRIDAY, 24 MAY

10.00 – 11.00 Session III: Food and Social Status
Chair and discussant: Ovidiu Cristea ("Nicolae Iorga" Institute of History)

Constanța VINTILĂ-GHIȚULESCU ("Nicolae Iorga" Institute of History & New Europe College, Bucharest)
Food, Body and Social Status in South-Eastern Europe (18th–early 19th centuries)

Castilia MANEA-GRGIN (The Ivo Pilar Institute/University of Zagreb)
Food, Drink, and the Body in Englishman Samuel Pepys’ and Transylvanian Miklos Bethlen’s Autobiographical Writings (17th Century)

11.00 - 11.30 Coffee Break
11.30 – 13.00 Session IV: Textiles and Politics
Chair and discussant: Dariusz KOLODZIEJCZYK (University of Warsaw)

Giorgio RIELLO (University of Warwick)
*Europeans’ Views of the Use of the Veil in the Middle East in the Sixteenth and Seventeenth Centuries*

Graeme MURDOCK (Trinity College Dublin)
*The Calvinist Body Under Ottoman Suzerainty: Cultures of Complaint in Later Seventeenth-Century Transylvania*

Michał WASIUCIONEK (New Europe College, Bucharest)
*Body Politics, Textile Politics: Kaftan Exchanges in the Ottoman-Moldavian Relations*

13.00 - 14.30 Lunch

14.30 - 16.00 Session V: Women, Beauty and Manners
Chair and discussant: Alex DRACE-FRANCIS (University of Amsterdam & New Europe College, Bucharest)

Sandra CAVALLO (Royal Holloway, London)
*Making the Body Beautiful in Early Modern Western Europe and Beyond*

Anastasia FALIEROU (Academy of Athens & New Europe College, Bucharest)
*Rethinking Modernity: Bodily Practices, Culture of Manners and City Life in the Ottoman Empire*

Nicoleta ROMAN (“Nicolae Iorga” Institute of History & New Europe College, Bucharest) ‘Mirror, mirror on the wall, who is the fairest of them all?’ Women, Beauty, Virtue and Charms in Nineteenth Century Romanian Society

16.00 - 16.30 Coffee Break

16.30 – 17.30 Session VI: Soul of the People and Travel
Chair and discussant: Mihai-Răzvan Ungureanu (Faculty of History, University of Bucharest & Institut für den Donauraum und Mitteleuropa, Vienna)

Constantin ARDELEANU (University of Galați & New Europe College, Bucharest)
*Purifying Passengers and Cargo. The Danubian Quarantine between Miasmatics and Contagionists (1830s – 1850s)*
Alex DRACE-FRANCIS (University of Amsterdam & New Europe College, Bucharest)

*Body and Soul: Physical and Collective Identity in Romanian-language Travel Narratives, 1826-1853*

19:00 Dinner