

CALL FOR PAPERS

International Conference on "Armenia and Armenians in International Treaties"

The Armenian Studies Program (ASP) at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, will be convening an international conference on the theme "Armenia and Armenians in International Treaties." The conference will be held on the campus of the University of Michigan, March 18-21, 2009.

International treaties represent critical moments in the history of Armenia and of the Armenian people that had serious implications for their status and future as well as that of neighboring peoples and countries. International treaties also constitute the linchpin of diplomatic history, an aspect of Armenian history that has been neglected. The purpose of the conference is to determine patterns and processes which might shed light on the challenges faced by Armenia and Armenians in their long history.

For the purposes of this conference the term "treaties" will include also international agreements such as the one between the Armenian merchants of India and the British East India Company in 1688 or the May 1896 agreement regarding the Eastern provinces of the Ottoman Empire.

Scholars interested in the subject of Armenian diplomatic history from earliest times to the present are invited to submit abstracts for their proposed papers on the theme to Ms. Gloria Caudill, ASP Administrator, (gcaudill@umich.edu) by Friday, October 3, 2008. ASP will notify scholars regarding the acceptance of their proposal by the end of October, 2008. Final papers should be submitted two weeks before the conference, by February 18, 2009. The papers will be made available to all participants in order to limit presentations during the conference to 20 minutes per participant and provide time for discussion during panels.

The conference will begin with a reception on the evening of Wednesday, March 18, followed by three full days of panels. The conference will be webcast live internationally. Professor Gerard Libaridian is the main convener of the conference.

The language of the conference will be English, although presentations in Armenian as well as in French, Russian and Spanish will be accepted as long as the presenter can provide an English translation of the paper two weeks before the conference

ASP will cover all expenses related to travel, lodging and meals for participants.

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