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**INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON ALTAY COMMUNITIES  
HOME-FAMILY AND FAMILY VALUES  
Istanbul, July 24-26, 2017**

**First Circular**

Dear Colleague,

We are pleased to announce that the International Symposium on the Altay Communities related to the “**Altay Communities: Home-Family and Family Values**” will be held at Istanbul Aydın University, Istanbul, Turkey on 24 – 26 July 2017.

This symposium will be a follow-on to the symposiums we have previously organized under the name Altay Communities. We will take up issues related to the homes, families and family values of those living in the Altay region, who have common civilization values in many respects from living in a kind of melting pot of related cultures, and who have migrated to various parts of Eurasia en masse. In this regard, at the symposium we will examine subjects such as the characteristics and types of homes and tents where the people of the Altay Communities have lived for centuries; the make-up of the family, which is a micro-structure of the state and community, to include details of its form and values; and regarding the family, we will look at the relatives, whose links form rings like those created by a pebble thrown in a pond, together with relative terms and relationships. All these subjects will be discussed directly and comparatively so that, ultimately, the civilization values of the Altay Communities can be better understood.

In the framework of the mentioned subjects, this symposium on Altay communities will have both discussion-focused events and panel-session meetings.

Individual papers in the symposium will be organized into thematic sections and quality monitored by the Organizing Committee. Abstracts for individual papers should not exceed 300 words.

A panel consists of a group of three or four members (including the panel leader). Panel leaders are responsible for accommodating a plurality of opinions and approaches within their group and for ensuring sufficient deliberation time. Therefore, panel leaders are also entitled to invite speakers of their own choice. The panel proposal is to be submitted together with an abstract for the entire panel, explaining its theme and rationale and how the individual papers contribute to that theme: this is in addition to an individual abstract (300 words maximum) for each paper.

The desirable duration of each of paper presentation in the panel and session is 15 minutes.

The Organizing Committee is planning to accept between 50 and 75 papers. Preference will be shown toward papers that address original and previously unexplored subjects that will spark interest in the scientific world. In case it becomes necessary to limit the number of panels and papers, the selection will be made by members of the Vetting Committee, which is aiming to maintain a high scholarly standard

**Deadlines:**

*Submission of abstracts: 15 March, 2017.*

The paper presenters are requested to fill in and send the enclosed Registration Form; as well as an abstract (maximum 300 words) of their papers

*Announcement of Accepted Panel Proposals or Individual Papers: 1 May 2017*

Panel and individual abstracts will be examined by the Vetting Committee, which will then inform applicants of acceptance or non-acceptance by this dated.

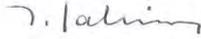
*Submission of Draft Texts of Papers: 1 June 2017*

Draft texts of panel and papers accepted by the Vetting Committee must first be examined by the panel or session discussant, who will then provide his/her thoughts relating to the papers after the presentation at the symposium in July. For this reason the draft texts of papers must be submitted by the aforementioned date.

*Languages of the symposium:* All Altaic Languages, English, French, German and Russian.

The symposium organizers will provide accommodation and food for all the participants during the symposium dates (for four nights). The details about the accommodation and some extra information on other options will be provided later. 50 Euro will be charged as a registration fee. Due to the difficulties involved in wiring money, we kindly request that you pay your registration fee in cash when you arrive at the symposium:

Sincerely yours,



Prof. Dr. İlhan Şahin



Prof. Dr. Kim Byung Il

On behalf of the Organizing Committee

Please submit your Registration Form and proposals to:

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