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### **News**

#### **London 2016 Conference – 2-4 November 2016**

The Levantine Heritage Foundation (LHF) will be hosting a conference in London, 2-4 November 2016 titled 'Levant & Europe: Rethinking the Eastern Mediterranean', to be held at Europe House, Smith Square, London SW1 P3HZ and the Hellenic Centre, Paddington street London W1U 5AZ.

Programme: <http://www.levantineheritage.com/pdf/LHF-2nd-International-Conference-provisional-programme.pdf>

For enquiries for the conference please contact [lhf2016\[at\]levantineheritagefoundation.org](mailto:lhf2016[at]levantineheritagefoundation.org)

To book tickets, please register here: <https://lhf-2nd-international-conference.eventbrite.co.uk>

Please help spread the word and support us in any way you can. We already have a small band of volunteers for which we are very grateful however all additional assistance is gratefully received, whether practical and financial we would appreciate.

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#### **Istanbul 2016 Conference – 23-25 September 2016**

The Levantine Heritage Foundation Istanbul branch (LHF-Istanbul) will be hosting a conference in Istanbul, 23-24 September (25<sup>th</sup>, the Sunday is an optional cultural day of outings) titled 'The Effects and Contributions of Levantines in the development of Beyoğlu/Pera and Galata Neighbourhoods: A long heritage of Trade, Culture and Arts since 1453', to be held at Casa d'Italia (Italian Cultural Centre - Meşrutiyet Caddesi no:75, 34430 Tepebaşı, Beyoğlu), sponsored by the Beyoğlu Municipality for which we are very grateful, allowing us to make this conference free to all.

Programme: <http://www.levantineheritage.com/pdf/LHF-Beyoglu-Conference-2016-programme.pdf>

Booklet: <http://www.levantineheritage.com/pdf/LHF-Beyoglu-conference-2016-booklet.pdf>

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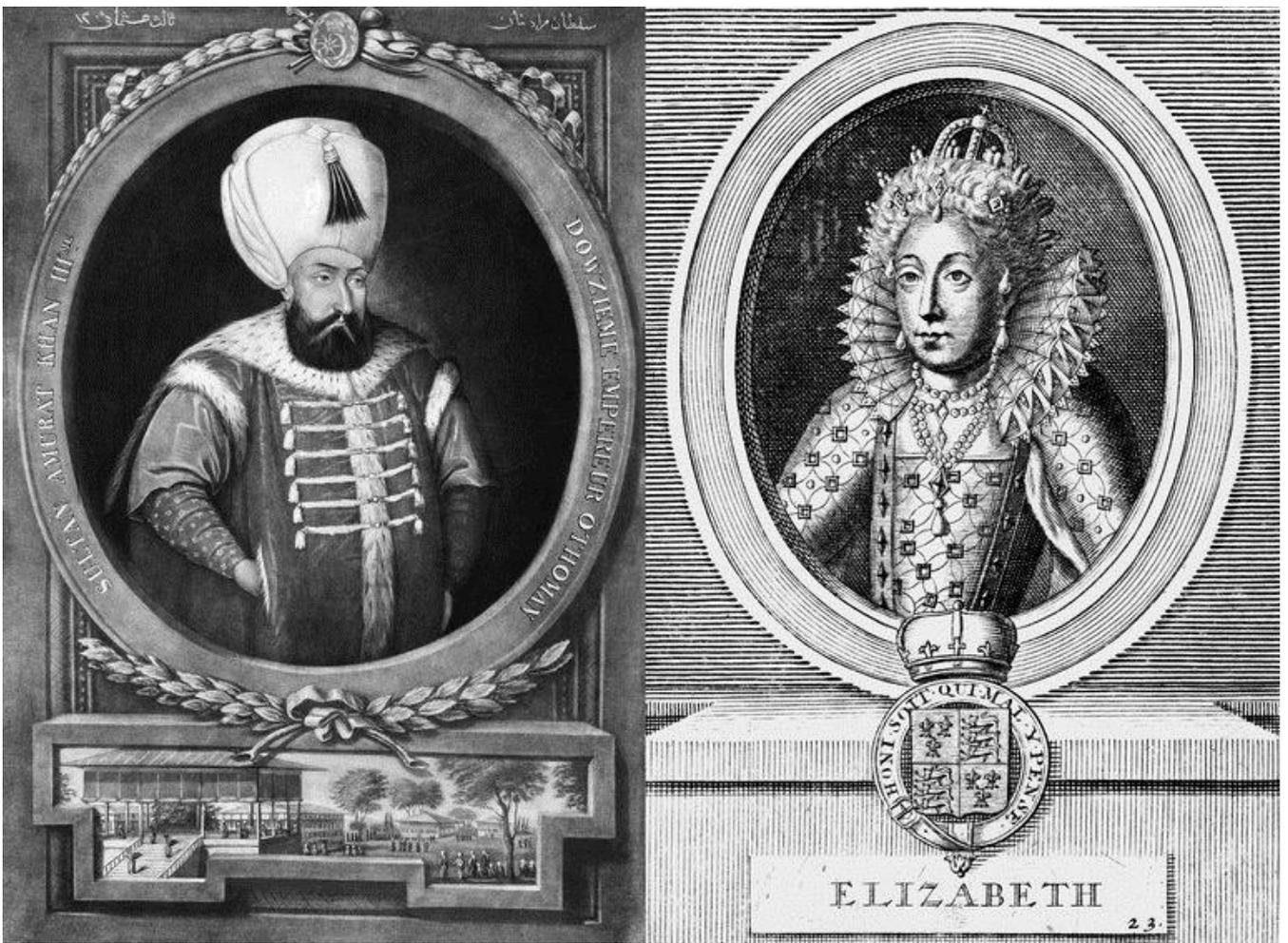
Registration: [Day 1](#) – [Day 2](#) – Day 3 [tour 1](#), [tour 2](#)

Please help spread the word and support us in any way you can as we seek to make LHF-Istanbul self-sustaining with its own future calendar of events. We already have a small band of volunteers for which we are very grateful however all additional assistance is gratefully received, whether practical and financial we would appreciate.

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#### **24<sup>th</sup> Levantine Heritage Foundation talks, dinner gathering**

Our next talk and drinks gathering will be on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> January 2016, 6-9 pm, with guest speakers author Jerry Brotton: 'This Orient Isle: Elizabethan England and the Islamic World' and LHF trustee Zeynep Cebeci Suvani: 'Consular property records of the Italian community of Istanbul 1873-1910'. - [flyer](#) - [booking](#): We hope to see you as many of you there as possible.



Murad III, left, Elizabeth I, right

Our last gathering on the 7 September 2016 was again a thoroughly enjoyable evening and we were honoured to have the guest speakers Charles Newton: 'Count Amadeo Preziosi: Levantines Observed' and Malcolm Billings: 'Vartan of Nazareth' - [flyer](#) for this event: - [videos](#) of talks:



Speakers and guests at the 23<sup>rd</sup> Levantine Heritage Foundation dinner, London, 7 September 2016 – guests

speakers at both ends.

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## ***Requests***

### **Joining us, supporting us, sponsorship**

Levantine Heritage Foundation receives no external funding and all our work is done through volunteers and site contributors. Our events such as the dinner / talks gatherings only breaks even through ticket sales and the upcoming London conference and the 2014 Istanbul conference ticket sales in no way covered the costs of those conferences. We do have a small number of commercial sponsors and supporters to which we are very grateful and we seek further partnerships and commercial sponsors. We have a number of package levels for this sponsorship and if you would like to discuss these opportunities further please contact our Chairman Quentin Compton-Bishop on chairman[at]levantineheritage.com and thanks again! [Further info:](#)

Membership of the LHF is set at £20 a year and there is a discount for a 5 year purchase, and the links to pay are on this page of our website - <http://www.levantineheritage.com/join-us.html>

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## ***Other Events***

### **Rhodes Open doors 2016: the Knights of Rhodes**

**23-25 September 2016**

Rhodes town, Greece

Programme: <http://www.levantineheritage.com/pdf/Rhodes-Riches-open-doors-2016.pdf>

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### **Conference: 'Instruments between East and West', Istanbul**

**26-30 September 2016**

XXXV Scientific Instrument Symposium - [info:](#)

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### **Lecture: The Other Side: the story of Wolfgang Schrader**

**22 October 2016**

Dr Jochen Schrader , part of the [Gallipoli 'Evacuation' Conference](#), Portsmouth, England.

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### **Conference: The Mercantile Effect: On art and exchange in the Islamic world during 17th – 18th centuries, Istanbul and London**

**18-19 November 2016**

[Info:](#)

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### **Lecture by Philip Mansel: 'Aleppo: a Warning from History'**

**27 November 2016, 7pm**

Kensington Central Library, London W8 - [info](#)

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## Exhibition: Anatolian Travels, 19th century

**until 18 December 2016**

Arkas Art Centre, Kordon, Izmir - [info](#)

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## Symposium: Rethinking Late Ottoman Civilization

**March 24-25, 2017**

The University of Texas at Austin, Department of Middle Eastern Studies - [info](#)

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## Conference: Medicine, Environment and Health in the Eastern Mediterranean World, 1400-1750

**3-4 April 2017**

Christ's College, University of Cambridge, UK - [info](#)

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## Conference: Communities, Imaginations and Emotions in the Medieval Mediterranean

**10-12 July 2017**

Gent University, Belgium - [info](#)

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## Conference: Congress of Ottoman Social and Economic History (ICOSEH)

**24-28 July 2017**

Sofia University, Bulgaria - [info](#)

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## *Recent Publications*

### Mediterranean Diasporas: Politics and Ideas in the Long 19th Century

Editors: Maurizio Isabella, Konstantina Zanou, Bloomsbury, 2015

Information: <http://www.bloomsbury.com/uk/mediterranean-diasporas-9781472576668/>

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### La Rassegna Italiana Organo degli Interessi Italiani in Oriente. Giornale Ufficiale della Camera di Commercio Italiana di Costantinopoli

[*La Rassegna Italiana, the publication of the Italian interests in the Levant, the official newspaper of the Italian Chamber of Commerce of Constantinople*] - Francesco Pongiluppi - Isis Press, Istanbul, 2015

Information: [http://www.theisispress.org/.html,2351\\_1](http://www.theisispress.org/.html,2351_1)

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### Süreç ve Sonuçlarıyla Osmanlı İmparatorluğu'nda Yabancıların Mülk Edinmeleri

[The process and consequences of foreigners acquiring real-estate in the Ottoman Empire] (1830-1914) - Murat Alandağlı, Helke Yayınları, 2015 - [information](#)

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## This Orient Isle: Elizabethan England and the Islamic World

Jerry Brotton, Allen Lane, 2016 - [Information:](#)

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## Essais sur L'Histoire de la Latinité à Istanbul

[*Essays on the History of Latinity in Istanbul*] - Antoine J. Negroponce, Rifat N. Bali (ed.), Libra Yayınevi, Istanbul, 2016 - [cover](#) - [information:](#)

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## Une Ambassadrice de France à Constantinople Les Souvenirs de Gabrielle Blignièrès-Bombard 1909-1914

[*An Ambassador of France in Constantinople the recollections of Gabrielle Blignièrès Bombard-1909-1914*] - Isis Press, 2016 - [information:](#)

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## Les Levantins de Smyrne XIXe siècle: Environnement communautaire et religieux

[*The Levantines of Smyrna in the nineteenth century: Communal and Religious Environment*] - Rinaldo Marmara, Arkas, 2016

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## Latest Website additions

### interviews:

İlhan Pinar: <http://www.levantineheritage.com/interview14.html>

Umit Eser: <http://www.levantineheritage.com/interview15.html>

### Photo gallery:

1928 earthquake of Smyrna: <http://www.levantineheritage.com/earthquakes.html>

Paterson and allied families: <http://www.levantineheritage.com/paterson.html>

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## For membership: [membership\[at\]levantineheritage.com](mailto:membership[at]levantineheritage.com)

Becoming a member is easy. Our members enjoy significant advantages. Please check our link to discover them and subscribe. <http://www.levantineheritage.com/join-us.html> This will support our ongoing work.

- We have had a number of friends who have elected to become life members this year (£500), for which we are very grateful as these funds will help continue our ongoing mission.
- Do you have a Levantine heritage? [Search](#) for your family names on our website. Discover family histories and photographs. Meet potential relatives at our events.
- Are you an historical researcher of the Eastern Mediterranean and Levant? Check out our reference material and join our network of academics. Present a paper at one of our conferences.

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[http://www.levantineheritage.com/pdf/LHF\\_Gift\\_Aid\\_Declaration\\_form.docx](http://www.levantineheritage.com/pdf/LHF_Gift_Aid_Declaration_form.docx)

**For enquiries:** [contact@levantineheritagefoundation.org](mailto:contact@levantineheritagefoundation.org)

**Our Facebook page:** <https://www.facebook.com/LevantineHeritageFoundation>

**Our Updated Mission Statement:** <http://www.levantineheritage.com/pdf/Mission-Statement-for-Levantine-Heritage-Foundation.pdf>



Gathering of members of the LHF-Istanbul sub-group, 5 June 2016, at the Catholic Cathedral of Saint Esprit

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**Craig Encer**

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**The Levantine Heritage Foundation**

The Levantine Heritage Foundation is a non-profit association with a constitution prepared and adopted according to the guidelines of The Charity Commission for England and Wales.  
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