

**Guests:**

Guests are welcome to attend. Please register in advance with the organizers via email.

**Conference venue:** The conference will take place in the SR 3.07 in the Department of History (Domstraße 9 a) of the University of Greifswald.



# International Conference Oriental Cultures and Scholarship in the Baltic Sea Area

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12th September – 14th September 2022  
at the University of Greifswald

## Monday, 12th September 2022

12.00 pm – 12.30 pm  
Registration/Come together

12.30 pm – 1.00 pm  
Opening/Welcome

1.00 pm – 1.45 pm  
Cornelia Linde (Greifswald): „Oriental Languages at the University of Greifswald (c. 1570-1650)”

1.45 pm – 2.30 pm  
Paul Babinski (Copenhagen): „Haqq-vīrdī – A Learned Persian Traveler in Schleswig”

*2.30 pm – 3.00 pm Coffee break*

3.00 pm – 3.45 pm  
Asaph Ben-Tov (Copenhagen): „Lutheran Orthodoxy and Oriental Studies in Kiel: the Case of Matthias Wasmuth (1625-1688)”

3.45 pm – 4.30 pm  
Benjamin Wallura (Berlin): „The Horns of Moses. An Orientalist’s Debate around the Baltics“

6.00 pm – 7.00 pm  
Jan Loop (Copenhagen): „Arabic and Islamic Studies in Early Modern Denmark and Beyond”

Public evening lecture  
at the Alfried Krupp-Wissenschaftskolleg  
(Martin-Luther-Str. 14)

## Tuesday, 13th September 2022

9.00 am – 9.45 am  
Matthew Norris (Lund): „Semitic Sweden: Oriental Archetypes in Johannes Bureus’ Study of Runic Writing”

9.45 am – 10.30 am  
Bernd Roling (Berlin): „From Niels Kiöping to Carl Fredrik Bergstedt: The Prehistory of Swedish Indology”

*10.30 am – 11.00 am Coffee break*

11.00 am – 11.45 am  
Niels Páll Eggerz (Frankfurt/Main): „The Talmud, the Zohar, and the New Testament in the Thought of Johan Kemper of Uppsala”

11.45 am – 12.30 pm  
Toon Van Hal (Leuven): „Oriental Language Study and Language Classification in late 18th-Century Sweden“

*12.30 pm – 2.00 pm Lunch break*

2.00 pm – 2.45 pm  
Kurt Villads Jensen (Stockholm): „Saracens in the Baltic. Scattered Evidences of Strong Images of Religious Enemies”

2.45 pm – 3.30 pm  
Anu Põldsam (Tartu) and Janika Päll (Tartu): „Teaching and Writing in Hebrew in Estonia, Latvia and Curonia – Contexts and Texts”

*3.30 pm – 4.00 pm Coffee break*

4.00 pm – 4.45 pm  
Meelis Friedenthal (Tartu): „Histories of Philosophy and ‘Oriental Philosophy’ in the Early Modern University of Tartu”

4.45 pm – 5.30 pm  
Liudas Jovaiša (Vilnius) and Egdūnas Račius (Kaunas): „Acquaintance with the Orient in the Grand Duchy of Lithuania”

## Wednesday, 14th September 2022

9.00 am – 9.45 am  
Indravati Félicité (La Réunion): „Oriental Culture and Scholarship in the Early Modern Baltic Sea Regions of the Holy Roman Empire: a Diplomatic Perspective“

9.45 am – 10.30 am  
Isabelle Dolezalek (Greifswald): „Material Culture in Baltic Orientalism“

*10.30 am – 11.00 am Coffee break*

11.00 am – 11.45 am  
Patricia Berg (Helsinki): „Wallin’s Journeys to the Arabian Peninsula and Oriental studies in the Baltics”

11.45 am – 12.30 pm  
Carsten Jahnke (Copenhagen): „The Orient in the Stomach of Northern Europeans: Trade and Cultural Connections between the Orient and Northern Europe in the High and Late Middle Ages”

12.30 am – 1.30 pm  
Final Discussion and Conclusions