

Anglo-Turkish Society / Royal Anthropological Institute lecture, 18 June 2020, 6.00 pm

Speaker: Dr Philip Mansel

Venue: Royal Anthropological Institute, 50 Fitzroy St, Fitzrovia, London W1T 5BT

Title: Venetians in the Ottoman Empire: Constantinople, Smyrna, Aleppo

Philip Mansel will focus on the peaceful connections between Venetian merchants and travellers and their Ottoman neighbours (Muslim, Christian and Jewish) in Constantinople, Aleppo and other cities, after the Ottoman conquest. When Venetians were not fighting the Ottoman Empire, they were trading with it, writing about it, or in the case of the last court painter of the Ottoman sultans, Fausto Zonaro (who lived in Constantinople in 1891-1910), painting it.

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Portrait of Doge Francesco Foscari, Attributed to Lorenzo Bastiani (Italian, 1449–1512) & the Ottoman Sultan Bayezid II (r. 1481-1512) Attributed to an Anonymous Painter from Verona or Follower



Philip Mansel is a historian of courts and cities, and of France and the Ottoman Empire.

Altogether Philip Mansel has published fourteen books of history and biography, mainly relating either to France or the Ottoman Empire and the Middle East: *Sultans in Splendour* was published in 1988, *Constantinople: City of the World's Desire 1453-1924* in 1995 and *Levant: Splendour and Catastrophe on the Mediterranean* in 2010. His most recent book is *King of World: The Life of Louis XIV*, published by Penguin in July 2019.

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