

Shahnameh and Persianate Identity Conference

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A millennium after his death, the Shahnameh of Ferdowsi remains the single most important literary source of the construction and definition of Persianate identity. Ferdowsi's magisterial achievement in collating and versifying the history and myths of the Iranian peoples ensured not only the preservation of a canon of shared historical memory and experience, but crucially secured the renaissance of the Persian language for future generations. This conference will focus on the political, social and historical legacy of the Shahnameh in the development of identities in the Persianate world.

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Confirmed Speakers:

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Pedram Khosronejad

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<http://www.st-andrews.ac.uk/~iranian/Shahnameh.html>