



**On the occasion of the Karaim Year 2022,
as proclaimed by the Seimas of Republic of Lithuania**

International scientific conference

The Karaim Language In Use

*Dedicated to the memory of Simon Firkovič (1897-1982) and
Aleksander Dubiński (1924-2002)*

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Organised by The Cultural Association of the Lithuanian Karaims and
The Institute of Asian and Transcultural Studies of Vilnius University (Lithuania)
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In a hybrid mode (both remotely and in person)

**201 auditorium, Faculty of Philosophy,
Vilnius University, Universiteto St. 9, LT-01513 Vilnius, Lithuania**

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PROGRAMME

1st session

9.00–10.40 *General introduction to Karaim language*

Opening

Dr. Habil. Michał Németh (Jagiellonian University in Kraków).
The Western Karaim dialects and their relation to Slavic

Prof. Dr. Habil. Henryk Jankowski (Adam Mickiewicz University in Poznań). *Research on Karaim language – historical overview*

Dr. Halina Kobeckaitė (The Cultural Association of the Lithuanian Karaims). *Simon Firkovič and his role in preserving the Karaim language*

Adam Dubiński, M.A. (Jagiellonian University in Kraków).
Aleksander Dubiński (1924-2002), on the scientist's 20th death anniversary

10.40–11.00 Coffee break

2nd session

11.00–13.15 *Living resources of Karaim*

Greetings and discussion in Karaim

Prof. Em. Éva Á. Csató (Uppsala University). *Spoken Karaim in the past, present and future*

Prof. Dr. Timur Kocaoğlu (National University of Uzbekistan). *On the Project of Karay (Karaim) Online Courses for Foreigners*

5 min break

Dr. doc. Karina Firkavičiūtė (The Cultural Association of the Lithuanian Karaims). *Mykolas Firkovičius and his work as a basis for the Karaim language revival*

Diana Lavrinovič (The Cultural Association of the Lithuanian Karaims). *Hachan Markas Lavrinovičius's commitment to the Karaim language Trakai dialect preservation and revitalisation*

Šarūnas Rinkevičius (Vilnius University). *The new generation of dictionaries by Karaim speakers*

13.15–15.00 Lunch break

3rd session

15.00–17.40 *Karaim language in Bible translations: as language source and the tool of its preservation*

Dr. Gina Holvoet (Vilnius University). *Old Testament translations in the Grand Duchy of Lithuania and their contexts*

Dr. Habil. Michał Németh (Jagiellonian University in Kraków). *An overview of the oldest Western Karaim written sources*

Dr. Anna Sulimowicz-Keruth (Warsaw University). *Was the vocabulary of Bible translations included into Aleksander Mardkowicz's Karaj Sez-bitigi?*

Anita András, M.A. (Uppsala University). *A South-Western Karaim translation of the Latter Prophets*

16.20–16.40 Coffee break

Dorota Cegiółka (Adam Mickiewicz University in Poznań). *Slavonic loanwords in a South-Western Karaim Bible translation based on the Book of Daniel*

Murat Işık, M.A. (University of Szeged / Jagiellonian University in Kraków). *The language of the Eupatorian (Gözleve) printed edition of the Old Testament from 1841*

Dr. Zsuzsanna Olach (Jagiellonian University in Kraków). *Differences in Karaim translations of the Song of Moses*

17.40–18.30 *Discussion*

Conference closure