Denial and Memory: 100 Years after the Armenian Genocide

Conference at Northwestern University
Friday, NOVEMBER 6, 2015
Harris Hall 108 (Leopold Room)
1881 Sheridan Rd., Evanston

Program:
10 am – 12:30 pm
Historical and Contemporary Perspectives

Mustafa Aksakal (Georgetown University), “The First Deniers”
Sossie Kasbarian (Lancaster University), “The Politics of Memory and Activism: The Armenian Diaspora Facing 2015”
Kerem Öktem (University of Graz) “Contested Memory Regimes instead of Recognition: The Armenian Genocide 100 years on”

Discussants:
Melanie Tanielian (University of Michigan, Ann Arbor)
Elizabeth Shakman Hurd (Northwestern University)

12:30 – 1:30 pm Lunch break

1:30 -2:30 pm Keynote Lecture

Fatma Müge Göçek (University of Michigan, Ann Arbor) “Denial of Violence: Ottoman Past, Turkish Present and Collective Violence against the Armenians”

2:30 – 3:00 pm Break

3:00 – 4:00 pm Roundtable Discussion

“Denial in Comparative Perspective: The Holocaust of European Jews, Holodomor in Ukraine, Ethnic Cleansing in Bosnia, and the Genocide of Ottoman Armenians”

Benjamin Frommer (Northwestern University)
Yohanan Petrovsky-Shtern (Northwestern University)
Edin Hajdarpasic (Loyola University)
İpek Yosmaoğlu (Northwestern University)

Arshile Gorky, Bound in Sleep, 1925

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