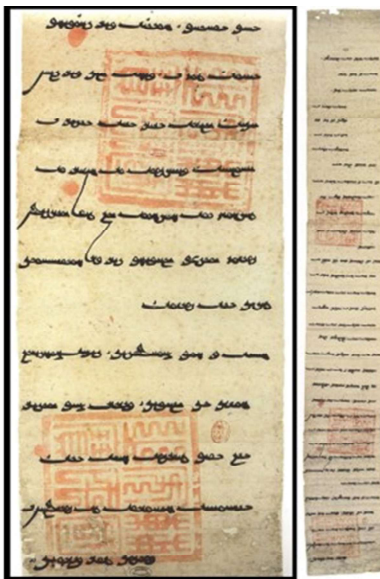




## The travels of Isa Kelemechi from China to Europe in the 1280s: Global Interaction and Mediation through Cultural Brokers along the Silk Road

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“There is a growing interest in the global Middle Ages, and in the wake of an increasing volume of studies there are also different approaches as to how to approach. This presentation will discuss some aspects of understanding agents in the global network during the Mongolian Era, c. 1250-1350, and attempt to make theoretical and practical sense of transnational cultural interactions. It will take departure from the story of the envoy Isa Kelemechi who travelled from the Mongol court in China to Bagdad and then to Europe, at about the same time Marco Polo made his journey in the opposite direction. His encounters with the Middle Eastern and Western world, and possible traces of them in China, will be used to discuss two related concepts of intercultural agency: the cultural broker who acts within sites of mediation.”

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