2019 BRISMES Conference

Joining the Dots: Interdisciplinarity in Middle East Studies

University of Leeds

Conference Schedule

Monday 24 June 2019

11:30    Registration opens
12:30    TBC: BRISMES Student Event: Mentoring for Careers in the Middle East
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16:15 – 17:30    Plenary 1: Professor Mona Harb, American University of Beirut
17:45 – 19:00    Welcome Drinks Reception @ Parkinson Court

*Featuring music by members of The Nyawa Quartet*
### Tuesday 25 June 2019

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14:00 – 15:00  BRISMES AGM

15:00 – 16:30  Plenary 2: Professor Salman Sayyid
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19:00 – 21:00  Conference Dinner @ Refectory South

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**Note shorter lunch break (45 mins)**
14:15 – 16:15  Panel Sessions 7

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7A / DeSectarianisation: Peace Building in the "New Politics of the Middle East"
7B / Gender Identity and Masculinity Studies
7C / Early Islam Through Interdisciplinarity
7D / Understanding Tensions in Imagined Territories: An Interdisciplinary Approach
7E / Re-reading Colonial Encounters in Palestine: Toward a Decolonial Future
7F / Politics and Society in the Maghreb: Morocco and Algeria
7G / Interdisciplinary Approaches to Iran: part I
7H / Society and Culture of the Ottoman Period
7I / Media, Discourse Analysis and Visual Representations

16:30  Coffee break @ Parkinson Court

16:45 – 18:45 Panel sessions 8

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8A / Clerical Networks, Discourses and the State in Modern Twelver Shi’ism
8B / Engendering the Islamicate Modern
8C / Towards a new ethnography II: Researcher ethics, positionality and security in the post 2011 Middle East
8D / Liberation, Authoritarianism and Securitisation: Conceptualising Conflict in Israel/Palestine
8E / Interdisciplinary Approaches to Iran: part II
8F / Twenty-First Century Iraq
8G / Philosophy & Cultural Heritage
8H / Stagnation VS. Adaptation: tracking the evolution of the Muslim Brotherhood's strategies and ideology since the 2013 coup

— End of conference —
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1A The Power of Civil Society in the Middle East and North Africa: Peace-building, Change, and Development
Organised by: Lilian Tauber, University of Durham
The Power of Civil Society and Young Leaders' Engagement in Non-Violent Actions in Palestine
Ibrahim Natil, Dublin City University
Social Entrepreneurship, Civil Society, and Foreign Aid in Jordan: Addressing Issues of Self-Sustainability and Continuity
Lilian Tauber, University of Durham
Human Rights Organisations and Navigating the Political Configuration of Power in post-2011 Egypt
Ahmed El Assal, Institute of Development Studies
UNRWA in Crisis: A Historical Perspective
Anne Irfan, London School of Economics and Political Science/University of Sussex

1B Experimental Fictions
Modernity and Gender Representations in Zakariyya Tamir: an interdisciplinary approach to modern Arabic literature
Alessandro Columbu, The University of Manchester
Depicting Amman in Jordanian contemporary literature
Ismael Abder-rahman Gil, Ca' Foscari University of Venice
Pomo Gents: Masculinity & Postmodernism in Contemporary Arabic Fiction
Hanan Jasim Khammas, University of Barcelona
Masculinity studies and Syrian fiction
Lovisa Berg, Dalarna University
Multilingual Counterpoint in Nuruddin Farah’s Sardines and Maps
Tayseer Abu Odeh, Arab Open University

1C States of Contention: (Re) Imagining the State From Below
Organised by: Jose Ciro Martinez, University of Cambridge
Ambiguities of Stateness: Marginalisation and Claim-Making in the Jordanian South
Jose Ciro Martinez, University of Cambridge
Fragmentation as a Tool of Power: The State in Bourj el Barajne
Dima Krayem, University of Cambridge
Invoking the State from below: Tunisian border populations and representations of the post-revolutionary State
Ruth Hanau Santini, Université L’Orientale

Organic intellectuals? A Gramscian analysis of the Syrian generation post-uprising
Adélie Chevée, SOAS - University of London

1D Towards a new ethnography I: Researcher ethics, positionality and security in the post 2011 Middle East
Organised by: Marta Agosti, SOAS - University of London

TransPrecarity: the other and white privilege, reflections of doing fieldwork in Egypt post June 30
Marta Agosti, SOAS - University of London

Bas Enti min Afrika Aslan (But You Are Originally from Africa)
Sandra A. Fernandez, University of St Andrews

Doing fieldwork in war zones of the Middle East; safety, intuition and ethics
Josepha Ivanka Wessels, Lund University

In the time of fear: Navigating and maneuvering the military landscapes
Alaa Moustafa Attiah, American University in Cairo

Researching Israeli illegal settlement in Palestine: deception, risk, health, and the “grey area”
Any Evans, London School of Economics and Political Science

1E Staying under the Radar: Conducting Political Research in Contemporary Egypt
Organised by: Nicola Pratt, University of Warwick // Chaired by: John Chalcraft, London School of Economics and Political Science

Conceptualising Popular Culture as Political
Nicola Pratt, University of Warwick

Bassem Youssef and Egyptian satire since 2011: Unsettling Laughter and Resistance
Dina Rezk, University of Reading

Studying Egypt’s Uprising through its Art
Mohamed El-Shewy, University of Warwick

Politics and the city: researching Cairo through fragments
Aya Nasar, University of Sussex

1F Facts on the Ground: Environment and Ecology

Protection of the environment under the law of occupation: the case of the occupied Golan Heights
Michael Mason, Middle East Centre, London School of Economics and Political Science

Water, Peace and Security in the Middle East
Kyra Luchtenberg, Middle East Centre, London School of Economics and Political Science

Common Intention, Different Articulations: Discourses of contemporary Islamic environmental ethics
Jakub Koláček, Charles University in Prague

Al-Bīrūnī’s understanding of hydrology and environmental hydraulics in the Kitāb al-Āṭār al-Bāqiya
1G Interdisciplinary Infrastructures: Architecture and Archaeology

Worlding ME City Socio-Political Imaginaries
Bruce Stanley, Richmond University (London)
Architectures of inequality: joining social research with architectural studies
Alice Stefanelli, Durham University
Geology & Art: A sustainable approach for a complex area
Nawrast Abd Alwahab, University of Basrah and Kelcy Davenport, Anglia Ruskin University
Recontextualizing the Justice Tower: An analysis from the junction of Law and Architecture
Gizem Sivri, Princeton University and Zekeriya Efe Antalyali, Bilgi University

1H State-Society Relations in Iraq

Identity, Traditions and Culture transformations through the lens of urban development
Ula Merie, University of Sheffield
The State and its Militias: How are the Popular Mobilisation Units (PMU) challenging the state’s monopoly on the legitimate use of force in Iraq?
Inna Rudolf, King’s College London
Basra Between Two Separatist Claims
Chérine Chams El-Dine, Cairo University
Anticolonial Resistance in the Post-Ottoman Mashriq: Examining the Iraqi Jazirah
Rebecca Irvine, CMES, Lund University
State-Society Relations in Revolutionary Iraq (1958-1963)
Aula Hariri, Middle East Centre, London School of Economics and Political Science

1I Identit(ies) and Heritage in the UAE: Examining the Roles of Kinship, Family and the State
Co-organised by Courtney Freer Middle East Centre, London School of Economics and Political Science & Rima Sabban, Zayed University

Containing Anarchy and Fundamentalism via national identity: Role of State and Identity formation in the UAE
Fatima al-Karbi, Durham University
Nationalism, Tribalism and Heritage
Courtney Freer, Middle East Centre, London School of Economics and Political Science
‘Deserving Citizens’ and ‘Undeserving Migrants’
Idil Akinci, University of Sussex
Identity-making through Heritage: The Emirati Experience
Yasmine Kherfi, Middle East Centre, London School of Economics and Political Science
1J Arabic Legal Translation and Interpreting in the Context of Crisis: Challenges and Future Prospects

Organised by Hanem El-Farahaty, University of Leeds

To Domesticate or to Exoticise?: Levels of challenges in translating documents of human rights cases
Neveen Al Saeed, Ain Shams University and Doaa Embabi, Ain Shams University

Arabic/English Legal Corpora: Deontic Modality in ‘The Leeds Annotated Parallel Corpus of Arabic/English Constitutions’
Hanem El-Farahaty, University of Leeds

Put on Record (POR) Questions: Interviewing tools or a prosecutor’s weapon?
Neveen Al Saeed, Ain Shams University
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2A Critical perspectives on international law and human rights in the Middle East
Co-organised by Neve Gordon, Queen Mary, University of London and Nicola Perugini, University of Edinburgh

'We Were Basically Pioneers': Lawyers, Laws of War, and the Shrinking Civilian
John Reynolds, National University of Ireland, Maynooth (co-authored by Noura Erakat, George Mason University)
Who is the civilian? Investigating the perspectives of Palestinians under attack and Israeli military lawyers
Maayan Geva, University of Roehampton

Visions of Territory: Negotiating the Future of the Middle East 1915-1923
Karin Loevy, NYU Law School

Human Shields and the Justification of State Violence in the Contemporary Middle East
Nicola Perugini, University of Edinburgh (co-authored by Neve Gordon)

The World Tribunal on Iraq and the limits of transnational legal activism
Ayça Çubukçu, London School of Economics and Political Science

2B Connected Histories and politics of Pan-Islamism and Islamism
Organised by: Tajul Islam, University of Leeds

Theological ecumenism in Pan-Islamist movements: A Critical Muslim Studies approach
Tajul Islam, University of Leeds

Caliphate As Transnational Metaphor: A Decolonial Analysis of the Mappila Caliphate (1921)
Sheheen Kattiparambil, University of Leeds

Islamism as the 'Political': Struggle from within the Kemalist Hegemony
Sumeyye Sakarya, University of Leeds

Mobilizing and Conceiving Umma in the (Post-)Colonial Metropole: Decolonial Muslim political activism and thought in Britain before and after decolonisation
Jonathan Birt, University of Leeds

From the Hubris of Hegemony, Toward a Decolonial Horizon: Jihad, Resistance, and Liberation
Junaid Ahmad, University of Leeds

2C Islamic Finance, Charity, and Political Economy

Reciprocal Effect: Zakat and Islamic Political Economy
Ola Alkahlout, Coventry University

Capital structure and political connections: Evidence from GCC countries
Fatma Ahmed, Swansea University

When It Comes to Risk, is Sukuk Better than Conventional Bonds? A Comparative Study of NASDAQ Securities
Alija Avdukic, Markfield Institute of Higher Education, Leicestershire

2D Stagnation versus Adaptation: tracking the evolution of the Muslim Brotherhood’s strategies and ideology since the 2013 coup
Organised by: Lucia Ardovini, The Swedish Institute of International Affairs and Erica Biagini, Dublin City University

Preachers, not Leaders: The MB’s Identity Quest in the Aftermath of 2013
Lucia Ardovini, The Swedish Institute of International Affairs

Re-conceptualising the Muslim Brotherhood: From Social Movement to Political Organization
Victor Willi, Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies

Rehabilitating the Egyptian Muslim Brotherhood’s Image Through Activism Outside Egypt
Nicholas Gjorvad, Berlin Graduate School Muslim Cultures and Societies

The Egyptian Muslim Brotherhood’s Sister’ Branch: trajectories of change and continuities and their effects on the movement’s survival
Sara Tonsy, University of Aix Marseille

2E Histories of Islam in the Gulf
Organised by: Alexandre Caeiro, Hamad Bin Khalifa University

The Religious and the Political in Sheikh Qassim Al Thani’s Writings
Reem AL-Sada, Hamad Bin Khalifa University

The Politics of Islamic Law in the Gulf: Islamic Institutions and Nation-Building in Twentieth Century Qatar
Alexandre Caeiro, Hamad Bin Khalifa University

The Transplantation of South Asian Religious Networks to the Gulf: A Study of the Barelwi AP Movement in Qatar (1980s-2010s)
Ashraf Thachara Padikkal, Hamad Bin Khalifa University

Transformations of Religious Knowledge in a Diasporic Setting: The case of the Patani Meccan community (1950s-2010s)
Bushra Salaebing, Hamad Bin Khalifa University

2F Queering Modern Turkish Literature
Organised by: Etienne Charrière, Bilkent University

Turkish Queer, Republican Camp: Nahid Sirri Örik and the Limits of Gay Literary Historiography
Etienne Charrière, Bilkent University

Dark Rooms of the Nation: Yusuf Atılgan’s Motherland Hotel (1973) as a Queer Novel
Peter Cherry, Bilkent University
Violence, Writing and Queer Fiction: On Bilge Karasu’s Night (1985)
Selen Erdoğan, Boğaziçi University
"Marginally Capital": A Queer Reading of Murathan Mungan’s Early Works
Sylvain Cavailles, Independent Scholar
Dismantling Heteronormative Desires and Bodies: Reading Hasan Ali Toptaş through a Queer Lens
Sevcan Tiftik, Mimar Sinan University

2G Political Imaginaries and Social Visions in Post-2011 Egypt
The 2011 Egyptian Uprisings and the Quest for Citizenship rights and Dignity: the political Imaginaries of Egyptian Revolutionary Activists
Dina El-Sharnouby, American University in Cairo
Egypt's Constitution and the Politics of Language and Identity: A Critical Discourse Analysis study
Mariam Aboelezz, Birkbeck, University of London
Towards a Utopian-Prefigurative Reimagining of Legal Mobilisation: The Case of Egyptian Activist Lawyers since the 2011 Revolution
Mo Afshary, University of Kent
University Could cooperation be primed? Experimental evidence from Egypt
Mazen Hassan, Cairo University and Sarah Mansour, Cairo University

2H Spotlight on Saudi Arabia: Law, Sociology, and Policymaking
Social Science Research in Saudi Arabia: A Reflection on Methodological Optimization
Muhammad Saeed, King Fahd University of Petroleum and Minerals
Legal Flexibility in Saudi Arabia: Perspectives from Continental European Legal Thought
Dominik Krell, Max Planck Institute for Comparative and International Private Law
Implementing a culture of moderation: Saudi Arabia’s call for a "return to moderate Islam" from a socio-political perspective
Annalisa Pavan, University of Padova
Shifting alliances and preferences: why and how Saudi Arabia is modifying its foreign policy under the Salmins
Thomas Demmelhuber, Friedrich-Alexander-University Erlangen-Nuremberg
US Hegemony in Saudi-Iranian Relations
Sukru Cildir, Lancaster University

2I Displacements and Diaspora: Transformations in the Middle East and North Africa I
To what extent has consociation excluded new stories of belonging in post conflict Lebanon?
Georgia Littlechild, University of Aberdeen
"Kuwaiti, but Made in the Philippines": Negotiating Kuwaiti National Identity in The Bamboo Stalk
Nadeen Dakkak, University of Warwick
Political sociology and diaspora for the study of politicisation of Syrian identity
Marisa, Della Gatta, Macquarie University
Addressing the vulnerabilization of forced migrants during the migratory journey: discussing the feasibility of the collectivizing the international provision of protection
Hamza Safouane, Helmut Schmidt University and Sabith Khan, California Lutheran University

Bedouin Futures? Cultural heritage and sustainable development in Jordan
Carol Palmer, Council for British Research in the Levant (CBRL)

2J Minorities in the Middle East: Yazidi and Kurdish Experiences
Investigating the ISIS’s Gender-Based Violence Against Yazidi Women in the Region of Iraq
Busra Nisa Sarac, University of Portsmouth

Shifting from communal to political identity: Construction of the Kurdishness in West Azerbaijan province of Iran
Mostafa Khalili, Doshisha University, Kyoto, Japan

Gendered impacts of conflict: Yazidis in Iraq
Zeynep Kaya, Middle East Centre, London School of Economics and Political Science
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3A Masculinities, Conflict and Displacement
Organised by: Lewis Turner, Arnold Bergstraesser Institute
An Inside-Out Empirical Analysis of Post-2011 Masculinity/ies
Sabiha Allouche, SOAS - University of London
The Facade of Queer Alliances: A Case for A Queer Feminist Intersectional Approach
Nof Nasser-Eddin, Centre for Transnational Development and Collaboration (CTDC)
Gendering the March of Return: masculinities and morality in the Gazan protests of 2018
Caitlin Procter, Centre for Middle Eastern Studies, Harvard University
The challenge of turning 18: Coming of age as young refugee men from the Middle East in Germany
Magdalena Suerbaum, Max-Planck-Institute for the Study of Religious and Ethnic Diversity
Humanitarianism and Masculinities in the Syria refugee response
Lewis Turner, Arnold Bergstraesser Institute

3B Musical Encounters between the Maghreb and Europe: Questions, Approaches and Methodologies
Organised by: Matthew Machin-Autenrieth, University of Cambridge
Echoes of the Colonial Past: Spanish Music as Cultural Diplomacy in Morocco
Matthew Machin-Autenrieth, University of Cambridge
Music and the Visual in Franco-Algerian Colonial Encounters
Stephen Wilford, University of Cambridge
Vanessa Paloma Elbaz, University of Cambridge
Echoes from a Distant Present: Imagining Arab-Andalusian Music in Spain, France and Morocco, 1912-1956
Samuel Llano, University of Manchester

3C Conducting "difficult" research as a woman in the Middle East
Organised by: Jennifer Philippa Eggert, University of Warwick // Chaired by: Annie Webster, SOAS – University of London
Conducting fieldwork on the Lebanese civil war as a parent
Jennifer Philippa Eggert, University of Warwick
Situated Ethics: What else? What is next?
Aya Musmar, University of Sheffield
On the difficulty of researching Islamic State (IS) from the perspective of Iraqi female academic
Balsam Mustafa, University of Birmingham
The politics of care and research as intersectional and decolonizing praxis in (forced) migration
research in and beyond the Middle East
Mirjam Twigt, Council for British Research in the Levant (CBRL)
Female academics in Aidland: Doing research with refugees in the Middle East
Ann-Christin Wagner, University of Edinburgh

3D The Politics of Materiality and Infrastructure in the MENA region
Organised by: Sharri Plonski, Queen Mary University of London
Infrastructure and Affect: An intersection
Sabrien Amrov, University of Toronto
Colonial and Postcolonial Infrastructure: the Material Politics of Egyptian Decolonisation
Sara Salem, London School of Economics and Political Science
Insurgent Infrastructure: Tunnels of the Gaza Strip
Toufic Haddad, Council for British Research in the Levant (CBRL)
Lebanon’s infrastructural crisis and the materiality of refugee exclusion
Hanna Baumann, University College London
Digital Rights and Infrastructural Proprietorship: Critique of a Non-Palestinian Cyberspace
Fabio Christiano, Lund University
Settler Colonial Materialities: Israel’s Corridor Infrastructures
Sharri Plonski, Queen Mary University of London

3E Critical Middle East Studies (CMES) Panel I: Egypt and the Politics of Critique
Organised by: Vivienne Matthies-Boon, University of Amsterdam
Critical Trauma Studies as Critique: On Condemning the Counter-Revolution in Egypt
Vivienne Matthies-Boon, University of Amsterdam
Human rights between cruelty and critique: themes from the Egyptian human rights movement
Nader Andrawos, London School of Economics and Political Science
Critiquing Middle East Studies’ Archive Fever
Karim Maged Malek, Columbia University
Self-Criticism in Contemporary Arab Thought: Towards a New Form of the Intellectual
Alaa Badr, European University Institute (EUI)

3F Future Ecologies and Apocalypse Now: Climate Change in the Middle East
Chair/Discussant: Sinéad Murphy, King’s College London and BRISMES
Enter the Cli-fi: Environmental Dystopias and Science Fiction in Contemporary Art and Film from the
MENA region
Nat Muller, Birmingham City University
Green Trends in Modern Arabic Novel
Jihan Zakarriya, Dhofar University
Contesting the "Apocalypse": Interdisciplinary Research and Climate Change Politics
Dina Zayed, Institute of Development Studies, University of Sussex

3G Analysing Jihadist Discourse and Ideology
The Poetic Voice of the Islamic State: A Preliminary Literary Analysis
Kurstin Gatt, Free University Berlin
Travel and estrangement in ISIS publications: constructing ‘the west’ as an intimate enemy
Nabeelah Jaffer, University of Oxford
Adapt or die: The failure of the IS playbook in Yemen
James Paterson, Monash University and Samantha Kruber, Monash University

3H The Middle East in the World: International Relations and Foreign Policy
Refusing membership to International Organisations: Shaping international order through exclusion
Andrew Delatolla, American University in Cairo
De facto states and the War on Terror: The Cases of the Kurdistan Regional Government and Somaliland
Yaniv Voller, University of Kent
Poverty at Home; Peace Abroad? Assessing Jordan’s Contribution to UN Peacekeeping Missions
Jessica Watkins, Middle East Centre, London School of Economics and Political Science
International Relations and Foreign Policy in the Middle East: Hezbollah and PLO as Statelike Actors
Zakia Aqra, University of Peloponnese
Obama's Road to Cairo. The President's Rhetorical Journey 2008-2009
Nils Lukacs, Hamburg University

3I Language, Linguistics and Orality
The Immigrant Text - The power of mistranslating Arabic
Rabia Barkatulla
Having the Cake and Eating it Too: The Secret Ingredients of Code-Switching in A Girl Made of Dust
Syrine Hout, American University of Beirut
Afro-Maghribi Popular Rituals and Orature: Interdisciplinary Methodologies & Micro-historical Ethnological Case Study
Izteo Goikolea-Amiano, SOAS - University of London
Toward an Interdisciplinary Reassessment of the Kuttab System: Some Thoughts on the Struggle for the Mastery of Classical Arabic
Hussam Ahmed, University of Cambridge
Reforming projects of Arabic script in 20th century and the perception of the future on Arabic type
Farah Abdel Hadi, Anglia Ruskin University
"Why don't I forgive? You didn't ask for forgiveness!": resistance and the politics of unforgiveness in Tunisia
Joshua Rigg, SOAS - University of London

Democracy Promotion and the Tunisian Exception
Morgan Williams, University of Sussex

Why so different? Constitution-making design in Egypt and Tunisia after the uprisings
Tereza Jermanová, Charles University
Tuesday 25 June, 17:00 – 19:00

4A Unsettling Israel Studies

Organised & co-chaired by: Elian Weizman SOAS, University of London and Sharri Plonski, Queen Mary, University of London

Decolonizing Israel Studies, Palestine Studies, and the Racial University, and what it means for the Future of Palestine
Magid Shihade, Birzeit University

Israel in critical military studies: the elision of settler colonialism
James Eastwood, Queen Mary, University of London

The impossibility of decolonizing Israel studies
Lana Tatour, University of New South Wales

Unsettling knowledge production on Palestine through narratives of Israeli Zionist women settlers in the West Bank
Akanksha Mehta, Goldsmith’s University of London

Settler Colonial Knowledge Production: a material analysis of Israel Studies
Sharri Plonski, Queen Mary, University of London

Engineering “Israel Studies” in the UK: Mapping the Power Structure, Tracing the Processes
Hilary Aked, Independent Scholar

4B Poetry, Music, Folklore and Resistance

Organised by: Marwan Darweish, Centre for Trust, Peace and Social Relations, Coventry University, UK // Chaired by: Patricia Sellick, Centre for Trust, Peace and Social Relations, Coventry University

Folk Songs: Celebration and resistance of Palestinians living in Israel 1948-66
Marwan Darweish, Centre for Trust, Peace and Social Relations, Coventry University

Music and Group Identity Resilience: A Case Study on Palestinian Communities under Israeli Military Occupation 1948-66
Craig Robertson, Nordoff Robbins, Life Changing Music, UK

On a poetry of inexorable resistance: Palestinian poetry in Israel
Ahmad Sa’di, Ben-Gurion University

Gaza’s Great March(es) of Return: Issues of geo-national identity, cultural heritage and resistance
Ahmed Tannira, Coventry University

Humor in Contemporary Palestinian Music
Nadeem Karkabi, University of Haifa
4C Saudi Arabia, Iran and the Sectarianisation of the Middle East
Organised by: Simon Mabon, Lancaster University

Anti-Shiism without Shia in the Middle East: Theoretical and Empirical Perspectives
May Darwich, Durham University

The unifying power of victory? Sectarianism, power, and legitimacy in post-ISIS Iraq
Jacob Eriksson, University of York

Sectarianising the other: The Shi'a in Bahrain and Yemen
Samira Nasirzadeh, Lancaster, University

4D Critical Middle East Studies (CMES) Panel II: Fieldwork, Ethics and Critique
Organised by: Andrea Teti, University of Aberdeen

On Critique in Middle East Studies: conceptual, Practical and Ethical Considerations; Taking local critique seriously: On how to NOT find your perfect ethnographic example during your research in/on Palestine
Klaudia Rottenschlager, University of Vienna

Critical Approaches to Governance: Fieldwork in Egypt
Sarah Hynek, University of Aberdeen

Can development institutions think critically? Positionality and ethics of development actors in Egypt post June 30
Marta Agosti, SOAS – University of London

4E Memories, Resistance and Significance of Remembering in Post-2011 Egypt
Organised by: Nayera Abdelrahman Soliman, Freie Universitat Berlin

Remembering in Host Cities: Nubian Memorial Movement(s) in Cairo
Mayada Madbouly, Nanterre University, Paris

Remembering from Home: Memories of 1967 Forced Migration from Suez Canal Cities
Nayera Abdelrahman Soliman, Freie Universitat Berlin

Memory, Spatiality, and Affect: The Maspero Triangle
Dina Wahba, Freie Universitat Berlin

Writing Affect from Memory: Remembering Emotions of Street Violence during the Egyptian Revolution
Ahmed Saleh, Freie Universitat Berlin

Remembering through Walking: The Urgency to Remember in South Sinai
Alaa Attiah, American University of Cairo and Social Justice Platform

4F South-South Comparative Studies
Saudi Arabia’s policy towards Pakistan: regional security dynamics through the lens of realist and constructivist approach
Agnieszka Kuszewska, Jagiellonian University and Agnieszka Nitza-Makowska, Collegium Civitas

Middle Powers and the Middle East: Malaysian and Indonesian policies since the 2011 Arab uprisings
Guy Burton
Non-Western Xenophobia: Antisemitism in the Middle East and Islamophobia in South Asia,
Maryyum Mehmood, SOAS - University of London

4G Socio-cultural Imaginaries: Visual, Narrative, Musical
The Persian Graphic Novel: A Diasporic Engagement with Human Rights Violations in the Islamic Republic of Iran
Kate Hashemi, The Middle East Consultancy Services
Toward a Peace Studies Approach to Literature: An Alternative Perspective on the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict
Sawsan Malla Hussein, Abdelmalek Essaadi University, Tetouan, Morocco
Re-Imagining Lebanese Socio-Political Landscapes Through Contemporary Arab Traditional Music
Maria Rijo Lopes da Cunha, SOAS, University of London
Gaza and the Humanitarian Space of Cinema
Viviane Saglier, Concordia University
Policing the Virtuous in Post-Gaddafi Libya
Leila Tayeb, Cornell University

4H Problems & Methodologies Across Disciplines
The Challenges of Interdisciplinarity in a Post-/Neo-Colonial Disciplinary World
Aminah Khan, University of Central Lancashire
Disciplinary and interdisciplinary studies: Problems and questions in approaching Historical Study in the Middle East
Adam Hogan, University of Exeter
The Body as an Interdisciplinary Text
Haneen Omari, Leiden University
Re-Orienting Ethnography: Faith, Love and Strangers
Sarah Marusek, University of Leeds

4I Situating Knowledge-Production in the Middle East: Revolutions, Reflexivity, and Historiography
Organised by: Marral Shamshiri-Fard, London School of Economics and Political Science
Reflexivity in Historical Knowledge-Production: Iranian Revolutionaries, the Dhofar Revolution and the Radical Archive, 1965 – 1976
Marral Shamshiri-Fard, London School of Economics and Political Science
Diplomatic Reflexivity: Knowledge Production, Diplomacy and entry into International Society
Alireza Shams-Lahijani, London School of Economics and Political Science
Neha Shah, University of Oxford
Wednesday 26 June, 09:00 – 11:00

5A Interdisciplinarity, Academic Freedom, Boycott, Divestment, Sanctions, and Palestine
Organised by: John Chalcraft, London School of Economics and Political Science
A praxis of solidarity: Palestine, Stop G4S and the Prison Industrial Complex
Rafeef Ziadah, SOAS - University of London
BDS and the Boycott of Study Abroad Programs to Israel
Bill Mullen, Purdue University
The Academic Boycott Movement in the US: Academic (Un)Freedom and Decolonizing Palestine
Sunaina Maira, University of California, Davis
Transnational Solidarity with Palestine: lessons about the articulation of struggles from participatory action research
John Chalcraft, London School of Economics and Political Science
TBD
Balsam Mustafa, University of Birmingham

5B Goethe’s WEST-EASTERN DIVAN 200 years on
Organised by: Barbara Schwepcke, Gingko Library // Chair: Paul Luft, Durham University
An Imagined East: Translating Goethe’s WEST-EASTERN DIVAN
Eric Ormsby, Institute of Ismaili Studies
Goethes 'Divan' -- seine Wirkung in Deutschland (Goethe's Divan -- its impact on Germany)
Hendrik Birus, Jacob’s University, Bremen
Hafiz and the Challenges of Translating Persian Poetry into English
Narguess Farzad, SOAS - University of London
Bringing Persia to Germany: Joseph von Hammer and Hafiz
Sibylle Wentker, Austrian Academy of Science
TBD
Fatemeh Shams, University of Pennsylvania

5C Critical Middle East Studies (CMES) Panel III: Conditions of critique(s)
Organised by: Vivienne Matthies-Boon, University of Amsterdam
The limits and possibilities of Critical Middle East Studies
Sami Zemni, University of Ghent
Why Keep Fighting the Last War? The Politics of Impossible Interdisciplinarity in Social Science
Andrea Teti, University of Aberdeen
Critique as Metaphysical Disobedience
Ali Harfouch, American University of Beirut

Poetry and Modernity in the Arab East: A Political History, 1948-67
Adey Almohsen, University of Minnesota

5D Migrating from Islamic Studies to Critical Muslim Studies

Organised by: Mustapha Sheikh, University of Leeds

Un-mooring orientalist assumptions about Muslims and their law
Mustapha Sheikh, University of Leeds

Critical Muslim Studies and the possibilities of (re)thinking Riba
Sitara Akram, University of Leeds

The Khatim an-Nabiiyyin (The Seal of Prophecy) and its inclusive-Abrahamic perspective. Muslim’s religious identity in dialogue
Marco Demichelis, University of Navarra

Training a generation: The Language of Islamophobia in the context of the UK’s Prevent policy
Claudia Radivan, University of Leeds

Islamophobia: A PostGraduate Landscape
Ismail Patel, University of Leeds

5E Using Field Data to Study Social Capital in the Post-Arab Spring Arab World

Organised by: Mazen Hassan, Cairo University

Different Outcomes of the Arab Spring and Socio-economic Values: Experimental evidence from Egypt, Jordan and Tunisia
Mazen Hassan, Cairo University

Political Trust and Participation in the MENA
Nadine Sika, American University in Cairo

Godly Trust: The Coptic Church Service System and Its Impact on Social Capital in Egypt
Ramy Magdy, Cairo University

Egyptian Rural Markets as a New Space of Everyday Negotiations: Towards a Rural Social Non-Movement
Sahar Abdelhalik, Cairo University

Alea iacta est: Psychological Distress and Dishonesty among Syrian Refugees
Elisa Fraile Aranda, Hamburg University

5F Refugeeism and Forced Migration: Transformations in the Middle East and North Africa I

Social Entrepreneurs' Responses to the Refugee Crisis in Jordan and Lebanon
Katarzyna Sidlo, CASE - Center for Social and Economic Research and Mohammed Aljafari, IP Commercialization Office at iPARK Royal Scientific Society Amman, Jordan

A '9 to 5 Emergency': Time, waiting, and bureaucracy in Jordan’s Azraq refugee camp
Melissa Gatter, University of Cambridge
"We Are Serving Our People, We Suffer The Same As They": Cross-Disciplinary Approach To Local Charity And Voluntarism In Irbid Refugee Camp
Salla-Maria Korhonen, University of Helsinki

Gulf Response to the Neighboring Refugee Crises: A Comparative Study
Hirotaka Fujibayashi, Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, Geneva

Connecting fields in forced migration research in the Middle East: A case study on prolonged uncertainty, humanitarian practices and mediated negotiations by Iraqi urban refugees in Jordan
Mirjam Twigt, Council for British Research in the Levant (CBRL)

5G Education, Islam, and Knowledge Production
Engendering Islamic Religious Curriculum in the Schools- Egypt
Hiam Elgousi, HEYA Center for Public Policy, Egypt

Breaking the silence: Listening to voices of Iranian children in five primary classrooms
Monireh Partovi, University of Warwick

Teaching Islamic History in a Decolonial Classroom
Fozia Bora, University of Leeds

Looking for Iranian "Sacred Matter" through the eyes of literature: a case study of "Neveshta" Magazine
Elham Hosnieh, Doshisha University

The Night Ascension of the Imam in the chi’it tradition or the Journey of world sense renewal
Emil Potec, Doctoral School of Theology and Religious Studies, University of Bucharest, Romania

5H Memory, Resistance, and Dissent in Literature
Dimensions of Nation, Memory and Identity in Contemporary Tunisian Poetry
Hanan Natour, Free University Berlin

Resistance in Moroccan Prison Literature: Taher Ben Jelloun's This Blinding Absence of Light and Fatna El Bouih's Talk of Darkness
Othman Ouaarab, University of Hassan II, Casablanca

Transmitting and Transporting Dissent: Taxi Narratives in Cairo and Tehran
Drew Paul, University of Tennessee, Knoxville

Middle Eastern Studies as a Tool of Literary Critique: The Many Lives of A Tale of Two Cities
Ahmed Dardir, Columbia University

The Impact of Post-Naksa on the Memory, and the Conflict between Individual and Collective Memories in the Work of Darwish
Anas Al Humam, University of Manchester

5I Egypt: Politics, Economics, Sociology
"Parasites": Economic growth and social discontent in Egypt during the 1970s and 1980s
Relli Shechter, Ben-Gurion University

Between da'wa and politics: the changing dynamics of Egypt's Ansar al-Sunna, 2011-2013
Neil Russell, Newcastle University
The Petitionary Politics of Everyday Life in Turn-of-the-Century Egypt
Calum Humphreys, University of Cambridge
Outsourcing of Social Welfare Programmes and Islamic Charity in Egypt
Yusuke Kawamura, Kobe University
Wednesday 26 June, 11:30 – 13:30

6A Is heritage preservation a zero-sum game? The open-ended, overlapping geographies of the Bedouin

Organised by: Patricia Sellick, Centre for Trust, Peace and Social Relations, Coventry University // Chair and discussant: Marwan Darweish, Centre for Trust, Peace and Social Relations, Coventry University

Preserving the living memory of the pastoral routes of the Bedouin in Lebanon
Aphrodite Sorotou, The Institute for Heritage and Sustainable Human Development (York Archaeological Trust)

GROUND TRUTH: Testimonies of dispossession, destruction, and return in the Naqab/Negev
Ariel Caine, Forensic Architecture, Goldsmiths University of London

Contested preservation in the South Hebron Hills: Power, asymmetry and possibility
Patricia Sellick, Centre for Trust, Peace and Social Relations, Coventry University

Palestinian Bedouins lifestyle a new power-resistance paradigm; South Hebron Hills communities as a case
Mahmoud Soliman, Centre for Trust, Peace and Social Relations, Coventry University

6B Who do we write for? Reflecting on Audiences, Genres and Accountability in contemporary Middle East scholarship

Sponsored by the Arab Council for the Social Sciences (ACSS)

Organised by: Ruba Salih, SOAS - University of London // Discussant: Maha Abdelrahman, University of Cambridge

The burden of “neutrality”: Ethical Dissonance and racialized politics in the neo-liberal university
Ruba Salih, SOAS - University of London

Censorship, self-censorship and research in Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) states
Rafeef Ziadah, SOAS - University of London

Social Sciences beyond institutional borders: Public conversations in times of change
Malak Rouchdy, American University of Cairo

For whom do we write?
Khaled Fahmy, University of Cambridge

6C Interdisciplinary Approaches: Security Studies

Securing Palestinian Political Prisoners’ Human Rights in an Age of Securitisation
Teodora Todorova, The University of Warwick

Armed drones and policing: creating order through the air
Maria-Louise Clausen, Danish Institute for International Studies
"To Secure a Future": Securitisation and the Politics of Movement in Contemporary Arabic Literature
Tasnim Qutait, SOAS - University of London
Transnational Securitisation of Identity: Dissecting the Distinctions between Securitisation and "Othering" of Shias in Bahrain and Pakistan
Maryyum Mehmood, SOAS - University of London and Hasan Hafidh, King's College London

6D Property Rights and Political Rights in Egypt, Syria, and Turkey (Nineteenth to Twenty-First Centuries)
Organised by: Pascale Ghazaleh, American University in Cairo
Egypt: State / Public / People’s Property
Pascale Ghazaleh, American University in Cairo
State, people, land, and violence in Syria, nineteenth to twenty-first centuries
Seda Altug, Boğaziçi University
TBD: An Archeology of Today: Tracing the Genealogies of Ezidi Victimhood
Zeynep Turkyilmaz, Forum Transregionale Studien
The Creation of the Egyptian Psychiatrist: Governing Madness in Turn-of-the-Century Egypt
Yasmin Shafei, American University of Beirut

6E Turkey: Domestic and International Policies
Victims or Villains: The Representation of Syrian Refugees in the Turkish Policy Debate
Sanam Vaghefi, University of Victoria
Vague promises but no commitment: Barriers to Turkey's normalization of relations with Israel, 1961-1965
Ekavi Athanassopoulou, University of Athens
A re-appraisal of the neoliberal-conservative hegemony in Turkey
Funda Gencoglu, Baskent University
From Mobilizing in Secrecy to an Organization with Secrets: Islamist Collective Action in Early Republican Turkey
Ipek Gencel Sezgin, Baskent University

6F Universities and Youth Activism in the Middle East and North Africa
Emotional dynamics of youth protesters in Post-revolutionary Egypt between openness and clture of the political structure
Amani El Naggare, University of Munster
Youth Social Movements: Mobilization, Ideologies and Change
Ibrahim Natil, Dublin City University
The Politics of Higher Education in East Jerusalem
Adel Ruished, Lancaster University
Student activists in Egyptian private universities: revolution, privilege and the larger student movement
Farah Ramzy, Nanterre University/Lausanne University and Sara Tonsy, Institut d'études politiques Aix, CHERPA

6G Civil War, Sectarianism and Non-State Actors
Chair: Francesco Belcastro, University of Derby
Assessing the Muslim Brotherhood in Libya after 2011
Inga Trauthig, King's College London

The External Determinants of Relations between Same-Sect Political Parties during Civil Wars
Wassim Mroue, University of Edinburgh

Civil wars and foreign fighters. What explains "internationalization"?
Francesco Belcastro, University of Derby

The Forgotten Rupture: Lebanon '82, Anglo-Jewry and the British Political Left
Imogen Resnick, University of Oxford

Transformation of Islamist movements in Syria during the civil war: comparative study of transformation of Ahrar al-Sham, Jaysh al-Islam, and Faylaq al-Sham
Hamzeh Almoustafa, Arab Center for Research and Policy Studies

6H Interdisciplinary Approaches: the GCC
The Transforming Political Economy: Is Vision 2035 Building a New Kuwait?
Sophie Olver-Ellis, Middle East Centre, London School of Economics and Political Science

Foodways and Society in Southern Oman
Marielle Risse, Dhofar University

The Omani Experience of Tolerance and Coexistence: Principles and Luminous Examples
Al Muatasim Al Maawali, Sultan Qaboos University

The Myth of "the Demise of Arab Nationalism:" Ideas and Political Struggle in Bahrain's Foreign Policy on Gulf Alignment
Hsinyen Lai, University of Edinburgh

Qatar's National Role Conception and Foreign Policy Behaviour Since 1995
Hasan Alhasan, King's College London

6I TBD: Session on Academic Publishing
I.B. Tauris

The pros and cons of publishing outside of academia for early career scholars
John McManus, The British Institute at Ankara
Wednesday 26 June, 14:15 – 16:15

7A DeSectarianisation: Peace Building in the "New Politics of the Middle East"

**Organised by: Simon Mabon, Lancaster University**

DeSectarianisation: Contesting the New Politics of the Middle East
Simon Mabon, Lancaster University

Can Electoral Laws Incentivize De-Sectarianisation?
Bassel Salloukh, Lebanese American University

DeSectarianization and Diplomacy: the view from the Islamic Republic
Edward Wastnidge, The Open University

DeSectarianization and Diplomacy: the view from the Islamic Republic
Samira Nasirzadeh, Lancaster University

The securitisation of the “Masculinist” other in the Syrian conflict
Rahaf Al Doughli, Lancaster University

7B Gender Identity and Masculinity Studies

**Nuancing Patriarchy: Jordanian Educated Youth and (Changing?) Notions of Masculinity**
Ivana Cosmano, University of Leeds

**Masculinity, Heteronormativity, and Subaltern Counterpublics in the Middle East: The Case of Jordan**
Ebtihal Mahadeen, University of Edinburgh

**Gender, Liminality, & Music in Post-Oslo Palestine**
Polly Withers, Middle East Centre, London School of Economics and Political Science

**Masculinity in crisis and femininity at risk: from battle of sexes to battle of cultures**
Zahra Tizro, York St John University and Farhad Gohardani, Durham University

7C Early Islam Through Interdisciplinarity

**Organised by: Hassan Bouali, University of Paris Nanterre, Ludwig Ruault, University of Aix-Marseille & Adam Walker, Radboud University**

Zubayrid patrimonialism power in Iraq
Hassan Bouali, University of Paris Nanterre

To Whom Were Early Islamic Graffiti Addressed?
Ludwig Ruault, University of Aix-Marseille

What’s in an Ism? The names of ‘Abd Allāh ibn Abī Quḥāfa and their Wider Implications
Adam Walker, Radboud University

7D Understanding Tensions in Imagined Territories: An Interdisciplinary Approach

**Organised by: Menna Agha, University of Antwerp**
Disembodied territoriality, or How to be displaced from where you have never been?
Menna Agha, University of Antwerp
Locating the “beautiful age.” Egypt’s cinematic legacy and re-narrating the nation
Iskandar Abdalla, Freie Universität Berlin
Frames of an Imagined Past: Facebook as an Exhibition
Nermin Elsherif, University of Amsterdam
Framed Geographies: Wartime Beirut between eastern and western imaginaries
John Hanna, TU Delft

7E Reading Colonial Encounters in Palestine: Toward a Decolonial Future
Organised by: Katherine Natanel, University of Exeter
British Women in Mandate Palestine: The “Well-Cared for” Jewish Child and the “Doomed” Arab Infant
Charlotte Kelsted, University of Exeter
Planning Indigeneity: Urban Neoliberal Development and the Imagination of Indigenous Futures
Francesco Amoruso, University of Exeter
Affect, excess and settler colonialism in Palestine/Israel
Katherine Natanel, University of Exeter
“No Promotion After Jerusalem”: Ronald Storrs and the case for microhistory
Christopher Burnham, University of Exeter
The plunder of milk and honey: multiple implications of land dispossession in Palestine
Fadia Panosetti, Université Libre de Bruxelles

7F Politics and Society in the Maghreb: Morocco and Algeria
Towards a New Framework for Policy Formulation in Morocco
Salma Refass, Le Desk newspaper
King and shaykhs: Moroccan Diplomacy Through Tijani Network
Lenka Hrabalová, Palacky University
Salafism and the state: Salafi politicisation in Morocco since the 2011 “20 February” popular protests
Guy Eyre, SOAS - University of London
Anticipating a Decolonized Algeria from a Chaoui Perspective
Amira Toureche, University of Exeter

7G Interdisciplinary Approaches to Iran: part I
Painting the General: Qassem Suleimani, Iranian Propaganda and Shi’a Militia Politics
James Worrall, University of Leeds and Alam Saleh, Lancaster University
Ideology and Nuclear Power Politics in Iran - A comparison of the political elite’s discursive practices
Olivia Glombitza, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona
The Processes of Navigating Hegemony: Observing US-Iran Diplomacy Through the Lens of Relationality
Hasan Hafidh, King’s College London

**7H Society and Culture of the Ottoman Period**
An Early Call for Interdisciplinarity in the Middle East: Kopruluzade Mehmed Fuad's Methodology
Writings of the 1910s
Erdem Sonmez, Social Sciences University of Ankara
Kadizadelis and Sufis on Tasawwuf and Reforming Society
Naoki Yamamoto, Ibn Haldun University
Women's Criminality and Women's Imprisonment in the late Ottoman Empire (1840-1919)
Gizem Sivri, Ludwig Maximilians University, Munich
Schneider Efendi: Chief of the Sultan’s intelligence service at the Grand Viziership of Tanzimat statesman Mehmed Emin Ali Pasha
Rasim Marz, Ottoman Diplomacy Centre

**7I Media, Discourse Analysis and Visual Representations**
The Gulf Crisis and its Impact on the Selecting of Television Programs Among Qatari Audiences
Miriam Berg, Northwestern University Qatar
The Truth and Dignity Commission in Tunisian Media: Agenda Setting & Public Opinion
Safa Belghith, University of Tunis al Manar
White-Washed Feminism vs. #WhiteWednesdays: A Social Media Discourse Analysis on the Disconnect Between Western Feminism and the MENA Region
Sara Shaban, University of Missouri
The representation of women in photographs of the First Persian Gulf War
Erica Payet, The Courtauld Institute of Art
Wednesday 26 June, 16:45 – 18:45

8A Clerical Networks, Discourses and the State in Modern Twelver Shi’ism
Organised by: Oliver Scharbrodt, University of Birmingham
Ayatollah Hojjat Kooh-Kamare’i: an assessment of his Contribution to the Modern hawza ‘ilmiyya of Qum
Mohammad Mesbahi, The Islamic College
The Political Impact of the Self During the Islamic Revolution
Christopher Pooya Razavian, University of Birmingham
Modernising clerical authority in Twelver Shiism: consultation (shura), clerics, and the state
Oliver Scharbrodt, University of Birmingham
The political influence of the Najafi Marja’iyya in contemporary Iraq: the role of Friday midday prayer sermons in 2014
Yousif Al-Hilli, University of Birmingham

8B Engendering the Islamicate Modern
Organised by: Shareefa Fadhel, University of Leeds
The Hadith of ʿĀ’isha, Gender Justice and Critical Muslim Studies
Sofia Rahman, University of Leeds
John Dewey meets Ataturk: Educational reform of New Republic
Aysa Kotan, University of Leeds
The Politics of Compassion: Muslim Middle Eastern Women as Victim
Walaa Alhusban, University of Leeds
Social Policies and Gender: Localising Global Perspective
Shareefa Fadhel, University of Leeds

8C Towards a new ethnography II: Researcher ethics, positionality and security in the post 2011 Middle East
Organised by: Caitlin Procter, University of Oxford
Doing gender research as a “gendered subject:” challenges and sparks of being a dual-citizen woman researcher in the Islamic Republic of Iran
Rassa Ghaffari, University of Milano-Bicocca
The Politics of Fieldwork: Research challenges and risk in Iran: Coping with shifting red lines and “being there” — how to navigate a “closed” context
M. Stella Morgana, Leiden University
Rooftop Ecologies: Familial Chaperoning, Social Class Differentials, and Coming-of-age in Anthropology
Noha Fikry, American University in Cairo
De-centring the Archive in the Middle East: Libraries not Archives
Karim Maged Malak, Columbia University
Moving Towards, Moving Beyond: Navigating Execution Chambers
Amira Mahmoud, American University in Cairo

8D Liberation, Authoritarianism and Securitisation: Conceptualising Conflict in Israel/Palestine
The Limits of Securitised Peace: The EU’s Sponsorship of Palestinian Authoritarianism
Alaa Tartir, The Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies (IHEID), Geneva, Switzerland
More Important than Other Conflicts: The Uniqueness of the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict in EC/EU Discourse
Anders Persson, Lund University
An exploration of Israeli and Palestinian Conflict Narratives
Rosemary Hollis, City, University of London
Palestine as a "Liberation Ideal" in the Gulf
Kanwal Tareq Hameed Abdulhameed, Exeter University

8E Interdisciplinary Approaches to Iran: part II
Iran: Sponsoring or Combating Terrorism?
Zeynab Malakouti, Leeds University
The International Dimension of a German Factory Petag (Persische Teppich-Gesellschaft) in Early Twentieth-Century Iran
Fatemeh Masjedi, Freie Berlin University
Khomeini and avoiding sectarian language: Iran-Iraq war (1980-1988) as a case study
Meysam Tayebipour, Lancaster University
Who Is Radical in Iran? Problems of Translation and Attribution of Western Labels
Giorgia Perletta, Catholic University of the Sacred Heart, Milan

8F Twenty-First Century Iraq
An inter-disciplinary post-war recovery strategy to counter the ISIS insurgency in Iraq
Jacob Eriksson, University of York
The Political Economy of Women's Peacebuilding in Post-2003 Iraq
Yasmin Chilmeran, Monash University
A Quantitative Study on Foreign Aid and Violence in Iraq
Tabitha Poulter, City, University of London
Moral philosophy and understanding forced migration in occupied Iraq
Ali Ali, University of Oxford
8G Philosophy & Cultural Heritage
Cultural Heritage Tolerance and Islam: A Discussion of the Quranic Texts, Hadith and Selected Historical Case Studies
Alena Westover, Brandenburg University of Technology
Barriers as Bridges: Deewaar and Ibn ‘Arabi’s Fusus
Ismail Lala, University of Oxford
A Consideration over the Best Selling of La Tahzan: Focusing on the Role of Preachers which Changes with the Times
Megumi Kenjo, Keio University
Grammar and logic in the Epistles of the Brethren of Purity. An inquiry to the problem of interdisciplinarity in Classical Arabic Philosophy
Crina Galita, University of Bucharest and Lucas Faure, Institut d’Etudes Politiques d’Aix-en-Provence - University of Birmingham

8H Stagnation VS. Adaptation: tracking the evolution of the Muslim Brotherhood’s strategies and ideology since the 2013 coup
Co-organised by: Erika Biagini, Dublin City University and Lucia Ardovini, The Swedish Institute of International Affairs
"Victory is closer than we imagine": Muslim Brotherhood discourses of defiance between the 2013 coup and Rabaa
Andrea Jud, Freie University Berlin
Re-examining Hasan al-Banna’s Model of Da’wah in the Post-Arab Spring Era
Khalidah Ali, University of Toronto
What does it mean to be ex-Ikhwan? Dynamics of Disengagement from the Muslim Brotherhood after 2011
Mustafa Menshawy, Doha Institute for Graduate Studies and by Khalil Al-Anani, Doha Institute for Graduate Studies
What the future holds for women in the Egyptian Muslim Brotherhood? An exploration of Muslim Sisterhood worldviews and desires post-2013
Erika Biagini, Dublin City University

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