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Frankfurt Research Center on Global Islam
at the Cluster of Excellence “Normative Orders”, Frankfurt University
“Politics, Religion and Society in the Middle East”
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Programm / Program (Stand: 24.09.2018)

Donnerstag / Thursday, 4. Oktober

ab 10.00 Uhr: Registrierung / Registration

11.00 – 13.00 Uhr: DAVO-Mitgliederversammlung / Meeting of DAVO Members

13.00 – 14.00 Uhr: Pause / Lunch Break

14.00 – 16.00 Uhr: A. Panels

A.1. Turkey: Patriarchy, Populism, Neoliberalism
Chair: Aylin Özman (Ankara)
1. Berrin Koyuncu / Aylin Özman (Ankara): The Confrontation of “Gender Equality” and “Gender Justice” in Turkey: The Women and Democracy Association
3. Funda Gençoğlu Onbaşı (Ankara): Populism alla Turca
4. Zuhal Yeşilyurt Gündüz (Ankara): Ecological Blindness and Growth Fetishism in Contemporary Turkey

A.2. The Emergence of Islamic Studies in the Muslim World (Part I)
Chairs: Sarah Holz (Islamabad) / Maria-Magdalena Fuchs (Princeton)
1. Faiza Hussain (Erfurt): Female Advice Literature: Continuations and Adaptations
2. Majid Daneshgar (Freiburg): The Study of Islam in Muslim Academic Contexts after the Orientalism
3. Hamidreza Tamaddon (Tehran): The Effects of Allameh Mohammad Qazvini’s Travels to Europe on the Growth of Islamic Studies in Iran

A.3. The Modern Muslim Subjectivities Project
Chairs: Dietrich Jung (Odense) / Steffen Wippel (Marburg)
1. Dietrich Jung (Odense) “Modern Muslim Subjectivities”: Outline of a Research Project
2. Kirstine Sinclair (Odense): Subjectivity Formation and Questions of Authenticity at an Islamic University in the West

A.4. Werkstattgespräche (Teil I) / Workshop for Young Scholars (Part I)
Chair: Nadine Scharfenort (Berlin)
2. Hanno Martens (Brighton/Köln): German (Sports) Tourists’ Attitudinal Changes towards the Arab Culture through Their Trip to this Region

16.00 – 16.30 Uhr: Pause
16.30 – 18.30 Uhr: B. Panels

B.1. Religious Minorities in Times of War and Tension
Chair: Lennart Biskup (Frankfurt)
5. Fouad Marei (Berlin): “My Mother Fatima”: Shi’i Ritual Practice and the Passionate Theatrics of Sectarian Politics
6. Hakan Mertcan (Hamburg): Being Alevi in Turkey in the Shadow of Syrian War


**B.2. Being Young and being Muslim in Oman: Contemporary Reforms around Childhood, Piety, and Education in the Sultanate**

Chair: Franziska Fay (Frankfurt)

1. Veronika Cummings (Mainz): Internationalization of Higher Education in the Sultanate of Oman

2. Ulrike Stohrer (Bonn): Omani Youth and Musical Education: The Education and Outreach Activities of the Royal Opera House in Muscat/Oman

3. Marion Breteau (Marseille): Teaching Love in Muscat: The Case of Marriage Workshops for Brides-to-be

**B.3. The Emergence of Islamic Studies in the Muslim World (Part II)**

Chairs: Sarah Holz (Islamabad) / Maria-Magdalena Fuchs (Princeton)

4. Andreas Dürr (Tübingen): Spreading Proper Knowledge the Proper Way – Normative Discourses around Islamic Studies in Higher Education in Afghanistan

5. Maria-Magdalena Fuchs (Princeton): Bend over Arabic Manuscripts: Islamic Studies as an Academic Discipline in Colonial North India


**B.4. The Effect of Environmental Disasters on the Human-Nature Relationship**

Chair: Sophie Roche (Heidelberg)

1. İbrahim Özdemir (Turku): Unrests Caused by Climate in the Early Modern Ottoman Empire and its Implications to Understand Present Problems

2. Kristina Großmann (Passau): “Green Islam”. Islam and Environmentalism in Indonesia and Beyond

3. Sophie Roche (Heidelberg): Tremors of the Earth, Tremors of Society: the Fragility of the Human-Nature Relationship

**B.5. Werkstattgespräche (Teil II) / Workshop for Young Scholars (Part II)**

Chair: Nadine Scharfenort (Berlin)

1. Carina Schlüsing (Berlin): Within Borders, Across Borders – A Translocal Perspective on the Interactions of Kurdish Actors in the Middle East

2. Ufuk Şahin (Berlin): Aufstieg und Fall des türkisch-kurdischen Friedensprozesses – Abkehr der AKP-Regierung von einer Versöhnungspolitik in der türkisch-kurdischen Frage aus einer regionalen Perspektive

18.30 – 20.30 Uhr: Plenarveranstaltung / Plenary Session
Im Casino-Anbau-West, Theodor-W.-Adorno-Platz 1, Campusplatz (in Mitte der Universität)

18.30 – 19:30 Uhr: Grußworte von / Welcome Addresses from:
- Prof. Dr. Susanne Schröter, Direktorin des Frankfurter Forschungszentrums Globaler Islam (FFGi) / Director of the Frankfurt Research Center on Global Islam
- Staatsminister Boris Rhein, Hessischer Minister für Wissenschaft und Kunst / Hessian Minister for Higher Education, Research and the Arts
- Prof. Dr. Rolf van Dick, Vizepräsident der Goethe-Universität Frankfurt am Main / Vice-President of the Frankfurt University
- Prof. Dr. Rainer Forst, Sprecher des Exzellenzclusters „Normative Ordnungen“ / Speaker of the Cluster of Excellence „Normative Orders“
- Prof. Dr. Günter Meyer, Vorsitzender der DAVO / Chairman of DAVO

19.30 Uhr – 20:30 Uhr: Keynote
"From the Arab Spring to ISIS"
- Prof. Dr. Gilles Kepel, Institut d’études politiques de Paris / Paris Institute of Political Studies

20.30 Uhr: Abendempfang / Reception

Freitag / Friday, 5. Oktober
9.00 Uhr – 11.00 Uhr: C. Panels

C.1. Reforming Economic and Social Policies in the Middle East and North Africa (MENA), Part I
Chairs: Markus Loewe (Bonn) / Sabine Hofmann (Berlin) / Juliane Brach (Bremen)
1. Amirah El-Haddad (Bonn) / May Gadallah (Cairo): The Informalisation of the Egyptian Economy (1998-2012): A Factor in Growing Wage Inequality
3. Salam Said (Bremen): Foreign Trade Policy and Social Injustice in the Arab World
4. Tina Zintl (Bonn): How to Boost Labour Demand in the MENA Countries: Reflections on the DIE Workshop “Employment Creation through Industrial Policy” in September 2018

C.2. Pluralism and Islam in Pakistan: A Focus on Minorities (Part I)
Chairs: Thomas K. Gugler / Ali Awan (Frankfurt)

C.3. Contemporary Urban Transformations in the Middle East and North Africa (Part I)
Chair: Christian Steiner (Eichstätt) / Steffen Wippel (Marburg)
1. Raffael Beier (Bochum): Worlding Cities in the Middle East and North Africa
3. Hend Aly (Wien): Neom: City, Country or Company?
4. Annegret Roelcke (Berlin): Constructing the „Capital of Peace“: Branding the Quarter of Eyüp in Istanbul

Chair: Katja Rieck (Frankfurt)
1. John C. Thibdeau (Santa Barbara): Sufism and Civil Society in Morocco
4. Rano Turaeva (Halle): All in One – an NGO, a School and a Newspaper: Muslim NGOs in Russia

C.5. Re-Examining the State in the Middle East – Part I: Violence and Security
Chair: Oliver Schlumberger (Tübingen)
Fred Lawson (Oakland): Violent Contention, Militia Politics, and the Re-Configuration of the State in the Post-2011 Middle East and North Africa
Inna Rudolf (London): The State and its Militias: How Popular Mobilization Units (PMUs) Challenge the State’s Monopoly on Violence in Iraq
Mark Furness / Bernhard Trautner (Bonn): Re-Constituting Social Contracts in Conflict-Affected MENA Countries: Iraq and Libya

C.6. Iran and Its International Relations in Past and Present
Chair: Ali Granmayeh (London)
1. Nigar Gozalova (Baku): British Policy in Qajar Iran during the Second Russo-Iranian War

3. George Sanikidze (Tbilisi): Turkey, Iran and Georgia: Peculiarities of Interactions and Challenges for Regional Policy

4. Roie Yellinek (Ramat Gan): The Nature of the Relationships between Turkish Leaders and China

11.00 Uhr – 11.30 Uhr: Pause / Break

11.30 Uhr – 13.30 Uhr: D. Panels

D.1. Reforming Economic and Social Policies in the Middle East and North Africa (MENA) (Part II)
Chairs: Markus Loewe (Bonn) / Sabine Hofmann (Berlin) / Juliane Brach (Bremen)
5. Markus Loewe (Bonn) / Lars Westemeier (Bayreuth): Social Insurance Reforms in Egypt: Needed, Belated, Flopped
6. Heiko Schüß (Kayseri): The Reforms of Social Policies in Turkey: An Example for MENA Countries?
7. Juliane Brach / Mohamed Ismail Sabry (Bremen): The Missing Puzzle Piece: Could Good Governance Explain Exporting Performance of the Arab World?

D.2. Pluralism and Islam in Pakistan: A Focus on Minorities (Part II)
Chairs: Thomas K. Gugler / Ali Awan (Frankfurt)
5. Muhammad Ali Awan (Frankfurt): The Sexual Objectification of Hijra People
8. Asima Shirazi (Wollongong) / Silke Jacob (Zurich): Gender Inequality in Childhood and its Impact on Participation amongst Youth in Islamabad: Is Language a Key Factor?
9. Noor Elahi (Islamabad): The Influence of Militant Conflict and Development on Social and Political Structure of Northwest Pakistan

D.3. Contemporary Urban Transformations in the Middle East and North Africa (Part II)
Chair: Steffen Wippel (Marburg)
5. Stefan Maneval (Halle): Counterpublics in Saudi Shopping Centres, Beach Resorts, and Gated Communities
6. Carmella Pfaffenbach (Aachen) / Sonja Nebel (Berlin): Urban Mobility in Muscat/Oman: From Modern to Postmodern?
7. Sandrine Melki (Paris): Urban Development in Beirut: Observing the Gender Factor

D.4. Gender Questions and Social Movements Reflected in Literature
Chair: Fruma Zachs (Haifa)
1. Hiyem Cheurfa (Lancaster): Transgression Narratives: Contemporary Arab Women’s Testimonial Life-Writing and the Politics of Resistance
2. Dorit Gottesfeld (Ramat-Gan) / Ronen Yitzhak (Akko): The Arab Spring in Jordan: Glimpse behind the Scenes

**D.5. The Rise and Decline of Neoliberal Islamist Hegemony in Turkey**

Chair: Hakan Mertcan (Hamburg)
2. Ali Ekber Doğan (Siegen): Understanding Erdoğan Autocracy with the Collapse of Islamist-Liberal Hegemony
3. Eylem Çamuroğlu Çığ (Bayreuth): The Collapse of Mainstream Media in Islamic Neoliberal Turkey
4. Mustafa Şener (Bamberg): Contribution of Left Liberal Intellectuals to the Establishment of Neo-liberal Islamic Hegemony in Turkey

**D.6. Re-Examining the State in the Middle East – Part II: Welfare**

Chair: Oliver Schlumberger (Tübingen)
Thomas Demmelhuber (Erlangen): Decentralizing the State: Governability and the Persistence of Neopatrimonial Networks
Koray Sağlam (Tübingen): Making a Sultan: The Political Economy of Centralizing State Power in Turkey

**D.7. Islamic Movements and their Historical Roots**

Chair: Dietrich Jung (Odense)
1. Rezart Beka (Washington): The Jurisprudence of Reality (fiqh al-wāqiʾ) in Yūsuf al-Qaraḍāwī’s Thought
2. Hakim Khatib (Frankfurt): Religion and Power Consolidation in Egypt under Nasser and Sadat
3. Meir Hatina (Jerusalem): Radical Muslims in Modern Times: A Comparative Perspective

**13.30 Uhr – 14.30 Uhr: Mittagspause / Lunch Break**

**14.30 Uhr – 16.30 Uhr: E. Panels**

**E.1. Reforming Economic and Social Policies in the Middle East and North Africa (MENA) (Part III)**

Chairs: Markus Loewe (Bonn) / Sabine Hofmann (Berlin) / Juliane Brach (Bremen)
9. Sabine Hofmann (Berlin): Economic Policy in Conflict Areas
10. Miriam Shabafrouz (Bonn): Economic Diversification in Iran: Policies between Convictions and Interests
11. Hany Abdel-Latif (Swansea) / Mahmoud El-Gamal (Rice): Egyptian Economic and De-Democratization Trends

**E.2. Diskussionsforum „Die mediale Berichterstattung über den Syrien-Krieg – Realität oder Propaganda?“**
Moderator: Dietrich Jung (Odense)
Diskutanten: Layla Al-Zubaidi (Cape Town), Kirsten Helberg (Berlin), Günter Meyer (Mainz), Christoph Reuter (Hamburg)

**E.3. Women and the Public Sphere – Transformation of Gender Orders (Part I)**
Chair: Alewtina Schuckmann (Frankfurt)
1. Alewtina Schuckmann (Frankfurt): Women’s Movement and the Struggle for a Family Law Reform in Morocco
2. Katharina Schmoll (London): 'This is not about self-expression': Rethinking Women’s Participation in the Arab Public Sphere
3. Mona Samadi (Stockholm): Men are the Guardians of Women - Rethinking the Legal Status of Women in Islamic Law

**E.4. Interreligious Dialogue in the Middle East, Past and Present (Part I)**
Chair: Stefan Maneval (Halle)
1. Khaled Sheykholeslami (Tehran): The Intellectual and Cultural Interconnections between Islamic and Jewish Medieval Ages: The Case of Maimonides and Farabi
2. Ute Falasch (Budapest): Themes of Interreligious Dialogue: Sufis in 15th Century North-India
3. Swetlana M. Czerwonaja (Torun): Christianity and Islam in the Crimean Peninsula, Past and Present
4. Lenka Hrabalova (Olomouc): Between the Millstones: Mapping the Political and Social Efforts of Iraqi Christians in Post-Saddam Iraq

**E.5. Writing the Egyptian Society – Analytic Perspectives on the Egyptian Press and Journalists’ Autobiographies**
Chair: Daniele Cantini (Zürich), Discussant: Aymon Kreil (Ghent)
2. Andrea Jud (Berlin): Writing Islamism: Contingent Identities in Egyptian Media 2011-2013
16.30 Uhr – 17.00 Uhr: Pause / Break
17.00 Uhr – 19.00 Uhr: F. Panels

F.1. Economy and its Socio-Political Impacts
Chair: Heiko Schuß (Kayseri)
1. Max Gallien (London): Tomatoes and Terrorists – The Institutional Regulation of Smuggling in North Africa

F.2. Political and Social Developments in the Gulf Region
Chair: Thomas Demmelhuber (Erlangen)
1. Luíza Gimenez Cerioli (Marburg): The Gulf Triangle: A Triangular Perspective to Iran, Saudi Arabia and United States Relations
2. Maximilian Felsch (Beirut): The Ascent of Saudi Arabia to a Regional Hegemon and the Role of Institutional Power
3. Nicolas Fromm (Hamburg): Efficiency, Ethics, Eutopia – Qatar’s Designerly Interpretation of Norm Entrepreneurship

F.3. Women and the Public Sphere – Transformation of Gender Orders (Part II)
Chair: Alewtina Schuckmann (Frankfurt)
4. Rano Turaeva (Leipzig): Muslim Women in Russia: Mosques and Entrepreneurship
5. Fruma Zachs (Haifa): Gendered Reorganization in Late Ottoman Beirut: The Reciprocal Influence of the Domesticity Discourse and the Urban Space

F.4. Re-Examining the State in the Middle East – Part III: Representation
Chair: Oliver Schlumberger (Tübingen)
Ahmed Maati (Tübingen): Reconceptualizing the Representation Function of the State: The Impact of State Identity on Regime Type
Oliver Schlumberger (Tübingen): ‘Exit Leviathan’ (II): The Simultaneous Break-down of Regimes and States in the Middle East

F. 5. Interreligious Dialogue in the Middle East, Past and Present (Part II)
Chair: Stefan Maneval (Halle)
1. Stefan Maneval (Halle): Theological Approaches to Interreligious Dialogue from Post-Civil War Lebanon
2. Soumaya Abdellatif (Tunis): Religious and Sectarian Affiliations in Post-revolution Tunisia: The Reality of Pluralism and the Difficulty to Admit Plurality


F.6. Tourism to and from the Arab World: Challenges, Potentials, and Risks
Chairs: Nadine Scharfenort (Berlin) / Hans Hopfinger (Eichstätt)
1. Sophie Wagenhofer (Berlin): Jewish Heritage Tourism in Morocco
2. Ulrike Stohrer (Bonn): Das Royal Opera House in Muscat (Oman) als Tourismusdestination. Chancen und Herausforderungen
4. Ala Al-Hamarneh (Mainz): Geopolitics and Tourism in the Arab World – Rethinking the Iranian and GCC Out-bound Intra-Regional Tourism

F.7. Informationen über den Fachinformationsdienst Nahost-, Nordafrika- und Islamstudien / Introduction to the Information Service Middle East-North Africa- and Islamic Studies
Volker Adam (Halle): Der Fachinformationsdienst Nahost-, Nordafrika- und Islamstudien als Partner für die Nahostwissenschaft

19.00 – 20.30 Uhr Podiumsdiskussion / Panel Discussion:
Im Exzellenzclustergebäude "Normative Ordnungen" Max-Horkheimer-Str. 2

"The Challenge of Islamism. Perspectives from MENA and Europe"
- Prof. Dr. Gudrun Krämer, Freie Universität Berlin
- Dr. Elham Manea, Universität Zürich
- Dr. Marwan Abou-Taam, LKA Rheinland-Pfalz
Moderation:
- Prof. Dr. Susanne Schröter, FFGI/EXNO Universität Frankfurt

Samstag / Saturday, 6. Oktober

9.00 Uhr – 11.00 Uhr: G. Panels

G.1. The Syrian Conflict – The Role of Foreignism and Interventionism
Chair: Hakim Khatib (Frankfurt)
1. Hakim Khatib (Frankfurt): Power Shifts in the Syrian Conflict: Focus on Regional and International Impact
2. Jörg Michael Dostal (Seoul): Syria’s Global War and Beyond: Will the Balance of Power in the Middle East be Restored?
4. Amanda Guidero (Omaha) / Maia Carter Hallward (Kennesaw): Syria, Foreign Intervention, and the CNN Effect

G.2. The Muslim Brotherhood – Examining a Complex Phenomenon (Part I)
Chair: Lennart Biskup (Frankfurt)
1. Kiki Santing (Groningen): The Muslim Brotherhood and the Nasser Trauma: Despair and Resistance at a Time of Unprecedented miḥna
2. Mustafa Bal (Bad Wildungen): Muslim Brotherhood’s Freedom and Justice Party and Its Failed Appeal as a “Party Open to All Egyptians”
3. Hassan Obaid (Duisburg-Essen): The Muslim Brotherhood in Egypt: Organizational Challenges and Ideology after the Coup of July 3, 2013
4. Philipp Bruckmayr (Wien): The Complex Legacy of ʿAbd al-Fattāḥ Abū Ghudda

G.3. Reform – Revival – Imitation? Dynamics of Islamic Thoughts during the Late 19th Century
Chair: Swantje Bartschat (Frankfurt)
1. Jolan Farhadi (Schwetzingen): Jamāl al-Dīn – A Stranger between West and East
2. Mohamad Rezaei (Frankfurt): Mīrzā Fath ʿAlī Ākhūndzāda – Iranian Enlightenment and Will to Imitation
3. Thomas Gugler (Frankfurt): Ahmad Riza Khan Barelwi: “Islam doesn’t need reform, but revival!”
4. Swantje Bartschat (Frankfurt): Yūsuf al-Nabhānī’s Calls to Obey the Ruler and Conduct Jihād

G.4. Social and Cultural Developments in Face of the Israel-Palestine Conflict
Chair: Johannes Becke (Heidelberg)
1. Marion Lecoquierre (Aix-Marseille, IDEMEC): Ribat in Palestine: From Medieval Sites to a Popular Practice of Resistance
2. Yael Shenker (Jerusalem): To Locate Israeli Jewish Religious Feminism in the Middle East

G.5. Comparative Research on Iran and Turkey
Chair: Elife Biçer-Deveci (Oxford)
2. Azita Bathaie (Aix): Population Mobilities from Iran to Turkey
4. Agah Hazir (Van): How do Turkish and Iranian States Govern Islam in the UK: Preliminary Findings

G.6. Werkstattgespräche (Teil III) / Workshop for Young Scholars (Part III)
Chair: Nadine Scharfenort (Berlin)
1. Miriam Wolfley: From the Syrian to the German Classroom: Education and Conflict in the Syrian Crisis

11.00 Uhr – 11.30 Uhr: Pause / Break
11.30 Uhr – 13.30 Uhr: H. Panels

H.1. Arab-Israeli Relations: Between Confrontation and Rapprochement
Chairs: Johannes Becke (Heidelberg) / Elie Podeh (Jerusalem)
1. Elie Podeh (Jerusalem): The “Mistress Syndrome”: Israel’s Secret Relations in the Middle East
2. Johannes Becke / Raja Abdel-Aziz (Heidelberg): Studying the Language of Zionism: Hebrew Textbooks in the Arab World
4. Benjamin Schütze (Freiburg): Promoting an Israeli-Jordanian Transit Trade Route: Violence, Trade, and Opposing Visions of Arab-Israeli Normalization
5. Alice Gaya (Beer Sheva): Islands of Peace or Islands of Terror? Israeli-Arab Relations in Mixed Families in Israel

H.2. The Muslim Brotherhood – Examining a Complex Phenomenon (Part II)
Chair: Lennart Biskup (Frankfurt)
5. Naomi Ramirez (Madrid): The Muslim Brotherhood in Syria and the Limits of the Concept of Post-Islamism
6. Inga Kristina Trauthig (London): Assessing the Muslim Brotherhood in Libya after 2011

H.3. Iran – Policy and Culture
Chair: Elisabeth Meyer (Erlangen)
1. Elisabeth Meyer (Erlangen): Exit, Voice, and the Role of the Middle Class in Democratization Processes. Theoretical Model with Reference to the Case of Iran (2009-2018)
2. Tea Pitiurishvili (Tbilisi): Sociopolitical Analysis of Iranian Humor: The Case of Online Jokes
3. Tamar Demetrashvili (Tbilisi): Speech of Population of Georgian Descent in Mazandaran Province


H.4. Looking South: New Insights into Transregional Connections between MENA Countries and Sub-Saharan Africa

Chair: Steffen Wippel (Marburg)

1. Anne Bouhali (Paris) / Nora Mareï (Paris): Trade, Mobilities and Marketplaces between Dakar and Casablanca: Towards a Transnational Commercial Space?

2. Blanca Camps-Febrer / Oscar Mateos (Barcelona): ‘It’s so good to be back home!’: Morocco’s ‘New’ African Foreign Policy

3. Steffen Wippel (Marburg): Morocco and the ECOWAS: Positioning the Kingdom’s Quest for Membership in the West African Economic Community in Wider Geopolitical and Transregional Considerations

4. Brigitte Dumortier (Paris): Contemporary Dynamics of the Links between the Arab Gulf States and Sub-Saharan Africa

5. Fabian Brinkmann (Bochum): Discourse Entanglements in the Strategies of Legitimization of Turkish Foreign Policy in Sub-Saharan Africa

H.5. Werkstattgespräche (Teil IV) / Workshop for Young Scholars (Part IV)

Chair: Nadine Scharfenort (Berlin)

1. Patrick Löwert (Eichstätt): Neustrukturierung urbaner Räume – Planstädte in der arabischen Welt am Beispiel der Neuen Verwaltungshauptstadt nahe Kairo

2. Tim Rottleb (Berlin): International Branch Campus in the MENA-Region – Spatial Condensations of a Social Relationship of Forces

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