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Invitation ZMO-EUME-Colloquium**Ottoman Urban Studies Seminar**

Chaired by Prof. Ulrike Freitag and Dr. Nora Lafi
Annual Theme 2008-2009: Daily Life in Ottoman Towns

Monday, 2 March 2009, 5pm

**Street Life in Ottoman Algiers:
Kinship, Property and Social Order****Lecture by Dr. Fatiha Loualich**

Dr. Fatiha Loualich will focus in her talk on the notion of links in street life. Based on a research in court records, this perspective offers a questioning on family links, kinship and neighbourhood relationships. The circulation of goods, properties, symbols and affects, as seen for example in marriage contracts will also be the object of a specific focus.

Dr. Fatiha Loualich is Assistant Professor of Modern History at the University of Algiers. Her research focus is about Women and Slaves in Urban History. Among her publications: « Les affranchies à Alger, fin XVIIIe-début XIXe siècle d'après les actes des Mahakim Shar'yya d'Alger » in AHRFOS, n° 25. 2002 « Femmes et pouvoir juridique à travers les actes des biens habous à Alger XVIIe- XVIIIe siècles » in Cirta, octobre 2000, Constantine. « Emancipated female slaves in Algiers: marriage, property and social advancement in the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries », in S. Cronin dir, Subalterns and social protest. History from Below in the Middle East and North Africa, Routledge, 2007.

Presentation of the Seminar

What is the historical experience of cities in the former territories of the Ottoman Empire - in the Balkans, Anatolia, the Middle East, and North Africa - in dealing with the impact of global changes and the transformation from Empire to nation States? How did people of different cultural, social and religious backgrounds live together? How are such examples of conviviality, conflict, migration, and urban regimes of governance and stratification conceptualized? And how have urban traditions been reinterpreted, and what bearing does this have on modern conceptions of civil society, multicultural societies, migration, or cosmopolitanism. These and other questions will be addressed in this year's Seminar in Ottoman Urban Studies, with a specific focus on daily life issues. This seminar is supported by the research program 'Europe in the Middle East – The Middle East in Europe' EUME with funds of the Fritz Thyssen Stiftung.