

Reconfiguring the Past - Politics of Memory in the Middle East and North Africa since the 1990s

May 29th-30th 2008, Asien-Afrika-Institut, University of Hamburg

Thursday, 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Jamaa Baida (Université Mohammed V, Rabat):
Morocco's Truth Commission (2004-2005) from a Historian's Point of View: New Perspectives in Writing Contemporary History

Friday, 9:00 am – 6:00 pm

9:00-9:15 Welcome Note (B. Dennerlein and A. Rohde)

9:15-10:45 Memory and Identity – Pluralizing the Past

Andrea Fischer-Tahir (SFB 640 Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin / ZMO):
Neighbors, Allies and our Enemy's Enemy: Jews in Iraqi-Kurdish Images of the Past and the Present

Sophie Wagenhofer (SFB 640 Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin / ZMO):
Rethinking Jewish History in North Africa: Mohammed V and the Moroccan Jews under the Vichy Regime

Discussant: Sonja Hegasy (ZMO, Berlin)

10:45-11:15 Coffee/Tea Break

11:15-12:45 Political Conflict and Competing Interpretations of the Past

Samira Alayan-Beck (Georg Eckert Institut, Braunschweig):
Cultures of Remembrance in Conflict: Perceptions of Israeli Civil Holidays among Palestinian Israeli Students

Katharina Lange (ZMO, Berlin):

The lake submerged our memories: (re)constructions of tribal history in Syria

Discussant: Schirin Fathi (Universität Hamburg)

12:45-3:00 Lunch Break

3:00-4:30 Inclusion and Exclusion in the Politics of Remembrance

Achim Rohde (Georg Eckert Institut, Braunschweig):
Forgotten Voices: Debating Democracy in Ba'thist Iraq

Corry Guttstadt (Universität Hamburg):
"My Armenian Grandmother": Discourses on Minorities in Turkish Science and Literature

Discussant: Bettina Dennerlein (Universität Hamburg)

4:30-5:00 Coffee/Tea Break

5:00-6:30 Narrating the Past – Literary Perspectives

Atef Botros (Universität Marburg):
Intellectuals have only the Past ... New Tendencies of Historical Remembrance in the Contemporary Egyptian Novel and Film

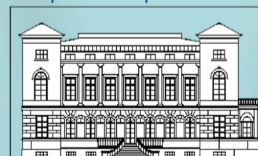
Catharina Dufft (Universität Hamburg):
The theme of cultural pluralism in post-1980 Turkish literature

Discussant: Karin Hörner (Universität Hamburg)

6:30-7:30 Closing Discussion

N.N.: Final comment

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