

Workshop Programme

„Islam“ as an Epistemic Field: Imperial Entanglements and Orientalism in the German-Speaking World since 1870

11-12 October 2018

Leibniz-Zentrum Moderner Orient, Kirchweg 33, 14129 Berlin

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Day I – Thursday, 11 October 2018

9.30 – 10.00	Arrival and Registration	15.00 – 16.30	Panel 3: Transnational Histories of German Orientalism I
10.00 – 10.30	Welcome and Introductory Remarks Nils Riecken & Larissa Schmid		Chair: Walid Abd el-Gawad
10.30 – 12.00	Panel 1: The Sovereign State, Modern Politics, Religion, and Islam Chair: Nils Riecken Ruth Mas, <i>The Muslim Refugee and the Bestial Sovereignty of the State</i> David Moshfegh, 'Islamwissenschaft' as a Science of Religion	16.30 – 16.45	Coffee Break
12.00 – 13.00	Lunch Break	16.45 – 18.15	Panel 4: Transnational Histories of German Orientalism II Chair: Ulrike Freitag Robert Terrell, <i>The Geopolitics of Islam and Islams in Post-Imperial Berlin, 1922-1928</i> Dyala Hamzah, <i>Oriental Professors and German Orientalists in 1930s Berlin: Improbable Communities, Transnational Imaginaries, and Networks</i>
13.00 – 14.30	Panel 2: Islam and the German Empire Chair: Anandita Bajpai Zubair Ahmad, <i>Managing Muslim Bodies in the Colonies: On the Formation of Germany's Islampolitik</i> Jörg Haustein, <i>How the Germans brought "Islam" to East Africa: Colonial Debates and the Politics of Religion</i>	18.15	Walk to Restaurant
14.30 – 15.00	Coffee Break	19.00	Conference Dinner at the "Wirtshaus an der Rehwiese" (Matterhornstraße 101, 14129 Berlin)

Day II – Friday, 12 October 2018

10.00 – 11.30 Panel 5: "Islam" and Orientalism in the Habsburg Empire

Chair: Heike Liebau

Caroline Herfert, *"Enlightening the Orient is Our Agenda [...]": Orientalist Discourse and the Habsburg Empire's Trade Policy in the Viennese Oriental Museum and its Journal "Österreichische Monatsschrift für den Orient" (1875-1918)*

Philipp Bruckmayr, *Catholic Revisionism in the Making of "Islam" as an Epistemic Field: the Case of Hermann Stieglecker*

11.30 – 11.45 Coffee Break

11.45 – 13.15 Panel 6: "Islam" in German Politics and Public Debates

Chair: Ergün Özgür

Joseph Ben Prestel, *Between Pro-Migrant Activism and Criticism of Religion: Islam and the West German New Left during the 1970s*

Iskandar Ahmed Abdalla, *Rendering Islam Liberal: Time, Space and The Imperative of Intelligibility*

13.15 – 14.30 Lunch Break

14.30 – 16.00 Panel 7: Rendering "Muslims" Visible, Framing "Islam"

Chair: Thiago Pinto Barbosa

Alex Konrad, *The Hybridization of Muslim Spaces in Germany: A Historical Perspective on the Perception of Muslims*

Bettina Gräf, *Drone Technology: an (Im)possible Topic of Islamic Studies*

16.00 – 16.15 Coffee Break

16.15 – 18.00 Panel 8: Comments on Papers, Concluding Discussion, Publication

Chairs: Nils Riecken and Larissa Schmid

Rebekka Habermas, *Comment*

Schirin Amir-Moazami, *Comment*

18.00 End of Conference