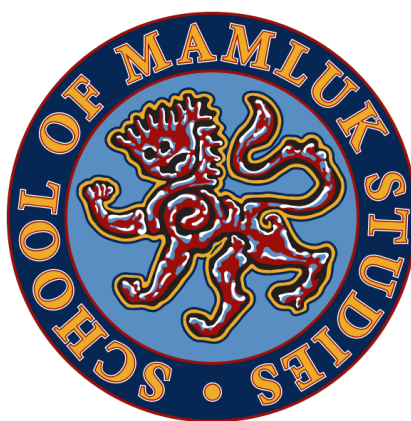


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# THEMED DAY: ENVIRONMENT AND NATURE IN THE MAMLUK SULTANATE

INDIVIDUAL PAPERS  
THURSDAY, 7 JULY 2022

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- 9:00**            **REGISTRATION AND COFFEE**
- 9:20**            **WELCOME REMARKS** – Albrecht Fuess (University of Marburg; Germany)
- 9:30**            **GROUP 1: SOURCES AND HISTORIOGRAPHY**
- Vocabulary related to the environment and nature of the Mamluks (based on Arabic-Kipchak dictionaries of the XIII-XV centuries)
- Kunduzay Aubakirova (Korkyt Ata Kyzylorda University; Kazakhstan)
- Hagiographical Sources from Mamluk Egypt: Awliya, Geography and Environment
- Yehoshua Frenkel (Haifa University; Israel)
- 10:30**           **GROUP 2: FARMING, WATER, AND THE NILE**
- Farming for profit: terraces, farmsteads, and the transformation of Syrian agriculture in the late Mamluk period
- Bethany Joelle Walker (University of Bonn; Germany)
- Impact of Plenitude of the Nile to Economic Conditions of the Burjī Mamluk Rule (Samples of Sultan Barquq and Faraj Period)
- Nurcan Gül Arslan (Erciyes University; Turkey)
- The Ebb and Flow of Mamluk Nile Veneration
- Heba Mostafa (University of Toronto; Canada)
- 12:00**           **LUNCH AND COFFEE**
- 13:30**           **GROUP 4: DISEASE AND PLAGUE**
- Plague and Antiquities: The Impact of the Black Death on Architecture in Cairo
- Radwa Zaki (Bibliotheca Alexandrina; Egypt)
- Force majeure: the impact of the Black Death and its recurrent outbreaks on Sultans and Muhtasibs
- Rachel Goldberg (Hebrew University of Jerusalem; Israel)
- 14:30**           **GROUP 5: OTHER ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES**
- Spatial tension of Mamluk Cairo and the making of a business
- Hend Elsayed (University of Bonn; Germany)
- The Conflict between the Prohibition and Legalisation of the Narcotic Plants trade and use in Mamluk Egypt
- Dina Samir El-Ozery (Alexandria University; Egypt)
- 15:30**           **END OF DAY - CLOSING REMARKS**
- Albrecht Fuess (University of Marburg; Germany)
- 16:30**           **TOUR OF THE MARBURG SCHLOSS**
- 18:00**           **RECEPTION**

**ORGANIZED PANELS**  
**FRIDAY, 8 JULY 2022**

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**9:00**            **PANEL 1: ANIMALS (AND MEN) IN MAMLUK TEXTUAL CULTURE(S)**

Panel Organizer: Antonella Ghersetti (Ca' Foscari University, Venice; Italy) and Mirella Cassarino (University of Catania; Italy)

Panel Chairperson: Antonella Ghersetti (Ca' Foscari University, Venice; Italy)

- Paper 1: An "Animal Turn" and Laments for Animals in Mamluk Culture?
  - Housni Shehada (Levinsky College of Education, Tel Aviv & Bezalel Academy of Art, Jerusalem; Israel)
- Paper 2: Animals as metaphors, animals as examples: humans in the mirror of animals in a literary anthology on generosity
  - Antonella Ghersetti (Ca' Foscari University, Venice; Italy)
- Paper 3: Fantasy Animals in al-Abshihī's *Mustaṭraf fī kull fann mustaṭraf*
  - Mirella Cassarino (University of Catania; Italy)
- Paper 4: Dried mongoose, eye of the ferret, and a hair from the beard of a goat. The occult properties of animals in the medical discourse of the Mamluk Near East
  - Paulina Lewicka (University of Warsaw; Poland)

**11:00**            **COFFEE BREAK**

**11:30**            **PANEL 2: THE ḤIĠĀZ, A CENTRAL HUB OF 8TH-9TH/14TH-15TH CENTURIES CULTURAL PRODUCTION? ḤIĠĀZĪ HISTORIANS, LOCAL CONTEXTS AND THE PRODUCTION OF HISTORICAL KNOWLEDGE**

Panel Organizer and Chairperson: Zacharie Mochtari de Pierrepont (University of Liège/FNRS; Belgium)

- Paper 1: Al-Madīna in light of historical narratives of the Late Medieval period: Ibn Farḥūn and his *Naṣiḥat al-muṣāwir wa-ta'ziyat al-muḡāwir*
  - Hanadi Abu Khadejah (Al-Ula, Taibah University; Saudi Arabia)
- Paper 2: *Taqī al-Dīn* and the *Banū al-Fāsī*: networks, politics, and historical narratives in the Holy City (8th-9th/14th-15th centuries)
  - Zacharie Mochtari de Pierrepont (University of Liège/FNRS; Belgium)
- Paper 3: *Naḡm al-Dīn b. Fahd* (d. 885/1480) and *'Izz al-Dīn b. Fahd* (d. 922/1516): social environment and history of the *Banū Qatāda* in Mecca in the 7th-8th/13th-14th centuries
  - Clarck Junior Membourou Moimecheme (University of Brest/University of Strasbourg; France)

**13:00**            **LUNCH – FOLLOWED BY OPTIONAL TOUR OF ELISABETH CHURCH (MEET IN FRONT OF CENTER AT 14:00)**

**15:00**            **PANEL 3: THE TRANSMISSION OF KNOWLEDGE WITHIN MAMLUK-ERA HISTORIOGRAPHY AND BEYOND**

Panel Organizer: Alexander Mallett (Waseda University; Japan)

Panel Chairperson: Tetsuya Ohtoshi (Waseda University; Japan)

- Paper 1: Deconstructing the Arabic Sources for the Fifth Crusade
  - Alexander Mallett (Waseda University; Japan)
- Paper 2: Paper title: A Forgotten Chronicle and the "Syrian School" of Historical Writing in 9th/15th-Century Damascus
  - Takao Ito (Kobe University; Japan)
- Paper 3: The Circulation of Arabic Manuscripts in the Ottoman Period: A Survey of the Manuscripts of *'Iqd al-Jumān* in *Türk ve İslam Eserleri Müzesi*
  - Nobutaka Nakamachi (Konan University; Japan)

**16:30**            **COFFEE BREAK**

**17:00**            **PANEL 4: BETWEEN PRESERVATION AND MOBILITY: NEW PERSPECTIVES ON MAMLUK DOCUMENTS ACROSS GENRES**

Panel Organizer: Daisy Livingston (University of Hamburg; Germany)

Panel Chairperson: Jo Van Steenberghe (Ghent University; Belgium)

- Paper 1: Nested Documents and Phantom Archives in the legal records of a late-Mamluk Cairene Jewish community
  - Daisy Livingston (University of Hamburg; Germany)
- Paper 2: Administrative Documents in Biographical Dictionaries
  - Benedikt Reier (University of Hamburg; Germany)
- Paper 3: Mouvance, meaning, and the many lives of a letter: a case study on chancery letters written by Ibn ‘Abd al-Zāhir
  - Gowaart Van Den Bossche (Ghent University; Belgium)

**18:30**            **END OF DAY – CLOSING REMARKS**

**ORGANIZED PANELS (CONTINUED)**  
**SATURDAY, 9 JULY 2022**

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**9:00**            **PANEL 5: MAMLUK THEOLOGIANS AND THE WORLD AROUND THEM: CONSTRUCTING, NEGOTIATING AND OVERCOMING BOUNDARIES IN THEOLOGY DURING THE MAMLUK PERIOD**

Panel Organizer and Chairperson: Christian Mauder (University of Bergen; Norway)

- Paper 1: Two Conflicting Concepts of the Relationship Between Philosophy and Revealed Knowledge: the Evidence in Ibn al-Akfānī's (d. 749/1348) Catalogues of the Sciences
  - Frank Griffel (Yale University; USA)
- Paper 2: Ibn Qayyim al-Jawziyya's Dialectical Theology in al-Ṣawā'iq al-mursala
  - Miriam Ovadia (Bar-Ilan University; Israel)
- Paper 3: Theological Exchanges between the Mamluk Sultanate and the Maghrib
  - Jan Thiele (Consejo Superior de Investigaciones Científicas; Spain)
- Paper 4: Sultan al-Ghawrī's Intervention in a Theological Debate between Ash'arīs and Māturīdīs in 16th-century Cairo
  - Christian Mauder (University of Bergen; Norway)

**11:00**            **COFFEE BREAK**

**11:30**            **PANEL 6: NOTIONS OF SOVEREIGNTY IN LATE MEDIEVAL EGYPT AND SYRIA**

Panel Organizer: Bogdan Smarandache (Unité Mixte de Recherche 8167 Orient et Méditerranée; France)

Panel Chairperson: Daisy Livingston (University of Hamburg; Germany)

- Paper 1: The Significance of Diplomatic Protections for Captives and Merchants in Frankish-Mamluk Truces
  - Bogdan Smarandache (Unité Mixte de Recherche 8167 Orient et Méditerranée; France)
- Paper 2: Negotiating Sovereignty – Truces between Frankish Rulers and the Sultan in Cairo
  - Konrad Hirschler (University of Hamburg; Germany)
- Paper 3: The Art of Crafting Sufi Conceptions of 'Sovereignty' in the Late Ayyubid and Early Mamluk Period
  - Mohamad El-Merheb (University of Groningen; Netherlands)
- Paper 4: Discourses of sovereignty in 9th/15th -century Syro-Egyptian Historiography: between God's Law and the Sultan's Court
  - Jo Van Steenberghe (Ghent University; Belgium)

**13:30**            **LUNCH**

**15:00**            **PANEL 7: EGYLANDSCAPE PANEL**

- Overview of the EGYLandscape Project
  - Anthony Quickel (University of Marburg; Germany)
- Creating a webGIS of Medieval and Early Modern Egypt
  - Nicolas Michel (Aix-Marseille University; France)

**16:30**            **CLOSING REMARKS AND SCHOOL OF MAMLUK STUDIES ROUNDTABLE**

Albrecht Fuess (University of Marburg; Germany)

Frédéric Bauden (University of Liège; Belgium)

Antonella Ghersetti (Ca' Foscari University, Venice; Italy)

Marlis Saleh (University of Chicago; USA)

**19:00**            **FAREWELL DINNER**

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