

11.10 **Ethnic Identities in Mamlūk Egypt and Syria: Persians, Mongols and Indians** (Ch. Bahl). Chair: KONRAD HIRSCHLER, SOAS, University of London

CHRISTIAN MAUDER, University of Göttingen, *Being Persian at a Late Mamlūk Court: The Construction and Significance of Persian Ethnic Identity in the Educated Salons of Sultan Qānṣawh al-Ghawrī* (r. 1501-1516)

JOSEPHINE VAN DEN BENT, University of Amsterdam, *Courageous Horse Riders with Big Backsides: The Mongols in Mamlūk Ethnography*

CHRISTOPHER BAHL, SOAS, University of London, *Eunuch and Scholar: Two Ways to be 'Indian'. Socio-cultural Significances of the Category 'al-Hindī' in the Late Mamlūk Period*

12.30 **Lunch**

14.00 **Worlds Bound by Words: At the Intersection of Mamluk Social and Intellectual Life** (J. Blecher). Chair: JOEL BLECHER, Washington and Lee University

JOEL BLECHER, Washington and Lee University, *Subject to Revision: Exegetical Works-in-Progress in Mamlūk Scholarly Culture*

YOUSHA PATEL, Lafayette College, *The Innovation of Imitation: Ibn Taymiyya's Anxieties of Influence*

KONRAD HIRSCHLER, SOAS, University of London, *Texts and Boundaries: Western-Language Manuscripts in Early Mamlūk Syria*

MOHAMMAD GHARAIBEH, Annemarie-Schimmel Kolleg, Bonn University, *Between Genre-Conventions and Social Context: The Compilation Process of Ḥadīṭ Collections*

15.50 **Coffee break**

16.10 **Representations of Women in the Mamlūk Period** (A. Ghersetti). Chair: ANTONELLA GHERSETTI, Ca' Foscari University, Venice

MIRELLA CASSARINO, University of Catania, *Between Function and Fiction: The Representation of Women in al-Ibshīhī's Mustatraf*

DANIELA RODICA FIRANESCU, Dalhousie University, Halifax, *Medieval Arabic Islam and the Culture of Gender: Feminine Voices in Suyūṭī's Literature on Sex and Marriage*

ANTONELLA GHERSETTI, Ca' Foscari University, Venice, *Being at the Service of Men's Pleasure: Objectification of the Feminine Body in Texts of the Mamlūk Period*

PERNILLA MYRNE, University of Gothenburg, *Women's Agency and Bodily Integrity in the Arabic Erotic Tradition up to al-Suyūṭī*

18.00 FRÉDÉRIC BAUDEN, ÉLISE FRANSSON, LAURENT SIMON, University of Liège, *Presentation of the Ex(-)Libris ex Oriente Project (ELEO)*

19.30 **Social Dinner**

**Sunday, June 28**  
**Musée de la Vie Wallonne**

9.30 **The Mamlūks and Distant Realms: The Others, or There and Back Again** (J. Ženka). Chair: JOSEF ŽENKA, Charles University, Prague

JOSEPH DRORY, University Ramat-Gan, *The Reign of the Rasūlid al-Mujāhid 'Alī (1322-1363): Spheres of Cooperation and Friction between the Rasūlids and the Mamlūk Sultanate*

YEHOShUA FRENKEL, University of Haifa, *Mamlūk Embassies and Diplomats in the 15<sup>th</sup> Century Mediterranean*

JOSEF ŽENKA, Charles University, Prague, *Messages from al-Andalus to the Mamlūk Sultanate: Their Transmission and Use (14<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> Century)*

10.50 **Coffee break**

11.10 **A Monument in Context: The Funerary Complex of al-Ashraf Qānṣūh al-Ghawrī in Cairo** (C. Juvin). Chair: CARINE JUVIN, Louvre Museum, Paris

CARINE JUVIN, Louvre Museum, Paris, *Inscriptions in Context: The Programmatic Epigraphy of Qānṣūh al-Ghawrī's Complex*

MIRIAM KÜHN, Museum of Islamic Art, Berlin, *The Epigraphic Programme of the Minbar in the Madrasa of al-Ashraf Qānṣūh al-Ghawrī*

JULIEN LOISEAU, University of Montpellier-3, *Sacred Relics in a Mamluk Mausoleum. The Sanctification of Qānṣūh al-Ghawrī's Complex*

12.30 **Lunch**

14.00 **Mamlūk Literature in the Framework of ALEA (Arabic Literature, 1100-1800)** (S. von Hees). Chair: SYRINX VON HEES, University of Münster

HAKAN ÖZKAN, University of Münster, *Tracing Back Zajal Poetics in Mamlūk Times*

SYRINX VON HEES, University of Münster, *The Reception of Ibn Qalāqīs by Mamlūk Authors*

ANDREAS HERDT, University of Münster, *Official and Private Correspondence in Arabic as a New Source for Studies of Premodern Mentality: The Concept of Ni'ma*

ALEV MASARWA, University of Münster, *Performing the Occasion: The Chronograms of Māmāya al-Rūmī (930-987/1534-1580)*

15.50 **Coffee break**

16.10 **Conclusions**

16.30 **Guided tour of the Musée de la Vie Wallonne**

Local organizer:

Frédéric Bauden

Service de langue arabe, d'études islamiques et d'histoire de l'art musulman



## Second Conference of the School of Mamlūk Studies

25-28 June 2015  
Université de Liège

International Conference  
Jointly Sponsored by



**Thursday, June 25, Themed Day:  
The Mamlūk Sultanate and Its Periphery  
Salle académique**

8.30 **Registration**

9.15 **Welcome**

9.30 Chair: FRÉDÉRIC BAUDEN, University of Liège

Discussant: CAROLE HILLENBRAND, University of St. Andrews

JOHN MELOY, American University of Beirut, *Mamlūk Rule on the Peripheries*

REUVEN AMITAL, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, *Center and Periphery at the Same Time: Palestine under the Mamlūks*

10.45 **Coffee break**

11.00 Chair: MARLIS SALEH, University of Chicago

Discussant: MOUNIRA CHAPOUTOT, University of Tunis

ANNE TROADEC, University Paris-Sorbonne (Paris IV), *Governing the Periphery: Early Mamlūk Strategies of Domination in Syria. The Case of the Ayyūbid Principality of Ḥamā*

OR AMIR, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, *Forming a New Local Elite: The al-'Uthmānī Family of Ṣafad*

12.15 **Lunch**

13.30 Chair: ANTONELLA GHERSETTI, Ca' Foscari University, Venice

Discussant: DORIS ABOUSEIF (School of Oriental and African Studies, London)

MALIKA DEKKICHE, University of Antwerp, *Charity in the Periphery: Mamlūk Patronage in the Holy Cities*

JO VAN STEENBERGEN, University of Ghent, *On Ḥijāzī Amīrs, Anatolian Chiefs, Indian Captains, Egyptian Nomads, Cairene Criminals, and the Many Guises of the Amīr Qurqumās al-Sha'bānī (d. 1438): Socio-Political Readings of the Changing Peripheries of Sultan Barsbāy's Sultanate*

14.45 **Coffee break**

15.00 Chair: DORIS ABOUSEIF (School of Oriental and African Studies, London)

Discussant: YAACOV LEV, Bar Ilan University

WARREN SCHULTZ, DePaul University, Chicago, *Money Where There Is No Mint: What Can We Know about the Circulation of Coinage in the Mamluk Hinterlands?*

YOSSEF RAPOPORT, Queen Mary University of London, *Tax-collection and Tax-evasion in the Villages of the Fayyum: The Evidence of al-Nābulusī's Survey (1245)*

HANI HAMZA, *Periphery in the Middle: Qaṭyā and al-Ṭīna, the Gateway to Mamlūk Egypt*

16.45 **Coffee break**

17.00 Chair: TETSUYA OHTOSHI, Waseda University

Discussant: DWIGHT REYNOLDS, University of California, Santa Barbara

IGNAZIO SÁNCHEZ, University of Warwick, *Vice, Repentance and Urban Space: The Jawāmi' al-Tawba and the Mamlūk Social Periphery*

TAKAO ITO, Kobe University, *A Compendium of Histories of the Mamluk Sultanate's Syrian Borderlands: Some Notes on the Manuscript Ahmet III 3057 (TSMK, Istanbul)*

18.30 **Reception**

**Friday, June 26, Panels  
Salle des professeurs**

9.00 **Mongols and Mamlūks – A Cultural Perspective** (N.O. Arom). Chair: JUDITH PFEIFFER, University of Oxford

AMIR MAZOR, Annemarie-Schimmel Kolleg, Bonn, *Between Tension and Symbiosis: Turco-Mongolian and Arab Cultures in the First Mamlūk Period (1250-1382)*

KOBY YOSEF, University of Bar-Ilan, *Some Cultural and Social Characteristics of Mongols in the Mamlūk Sultanate*

ISHAYAHU LANDA, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, *Oyirads in the Ilkhānate and the Mamlūk Sultanate in the 14<sup>th</sup> Century: Two Patterns of Assimilation into the Muslim Environment*

10.20 **Coffee break**

10.40 **Politics and Diplomacy – Mongols, Mamlūks and the Third Party** (N.O. Arom). Chair: REUVEN AMITAL, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

MARIE FAVEREAU, University of Oxford, *Toqtamiš and al-Zāhir Barqūq: The Revival of the Mamlūk-Jöchid Alliance*

JONATHAN BRACK, The University of Michigan, *Ibn Taymiyya and the Persian-Mongol King*

NA'AMA O. AROM, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, *From "Infidel Dogs" to Mere "Babylonians" – The Mamlūk Sultanate in the Latin Letters of Abaqā Khān, 1268-1279*

12.00 **Lunch**

13.45 **An Unknown Work by al-Maqrīzī: al-Khabar 'an al-Bashar and Its Significance for a Better Understanding of Historiography in the Premodern**

**Islamicate World** (F. Bauden). Chair: FRÉDÉRIC BAUDEN, University of Liège

FRÉDÉRIC BAUDEN, University of Liège, *Al-Maqrīzī's al-Khabar 'an al-Bashar and the History of Its Composition*

MICHAEL LECKER, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, *The Contribution of al-Khabar 'an al-Bashar to the Study of Idol Worship*

MAYTE PENELAS, CSIC, Madrid, *Al-Maqrīzī on the Descendants of Japheth, Son of Noah*

15.05 **Coffee break**

15.25 **The Languages of the Mamlūk Empire** (E. Muhanna/A. Talib). Chairs: ELIAS MUHANNA, Brown University/ADAM TALIB, American University of Cairo

MATTHEW MELVIN-KOUSHKI, University of South Carolina, *Persianizing Occultism in Mamlūk Cairo*

ELIAS MUHANNA, Brown University, *Vernacular and Cosmopolitan Aesthetics in Mamlūk Literature*

MAURICE POMERANTZ, New York University-Abu Dhabi, *The Rogue is a Riddler: Argot, Cryptic Language, and Enigmas in the Maqāma Literature of the Mamlūk period*

16.45 **Break**

17.00 KRISTINA RICHARDSON, Queens College, The City University of New York, *Talking Hands: Gesture, Mnemonics and a Sign Alphabet in a 16<sup>th</sup> Century Aleppan Diary*

ADAM TALIB, American University of Cairo, *Arabized Poems in Anthologies from the Mamlūk Period*

**Saturday, June 27, Panels  
Salle des professeurs**

9.00 **Reading Histories as a Whole: Studies in Mamlūk Historiography** (S. Burge). Chair: CAROLE HILLENBRAND, University of St. Andrews

ALEX MALLETT, University of Exeter, *A Study of Mamlūk Era Historiographical Aims and Methodology: Volume Three of Ibn al-Furāt's Ta'rīkh al-Duwal wa-l-Mulūk*

HARRY MUNT, University of York, *Taqī al-Dīn al-Fāsī and the Introduction of 'Events' into Mecca's History*

CAROLE HILLENBRAND, University of St. Andrews, *Some Reflections on Two Biographies from al-Maqrīzī's Kitāb al-Muqaffā*

STEPHEN BURGE, Institute of Ismaili Studies, London, *Al-Suyūṭī's Ta'rīkh al-Khulafā': A History of Politics or Piety?*

10.50 **Coffee break**