

## **Muslims in the UK and Europe Postgraduate Symposium 2019**

**Programme: 6-7th June 2019**

**Centre of Islamic Studies, University of Cambridge**

Symposium and Accommodation Venue: The Moller Centre, Storey's Way, Cambridge CB3 0DE

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### **Day 1 – 6<sup>th</sup> June**

**10.00:** Registration and coffee.

**10.25: Welcome by Professor Khaled Fahmy, Director, Centre of Islamic Studies.**

**10.30: Panel 1: Imagining the Other** (Chair: Professor Khaled Fahmy).

Maria Pia Ester Cristaldi, Marmara University - 'Turkish first': the language policy of Turkey and the Sunni Syrian community in Istanbul

Rim-Sarah Alouane, University of Toulouse-Capitole - Removing French Muslims from Public Spaces: The Increasing Danger of an Illiberal French Laïcité

Yasmeen Arif, University of Oxford - "Our doors are open, we've got nothing to hide": transparency and the vulnerable Muslim body in securitised Britain

**12.15:** Lunch

**13.15: Panel 2: Negotiating Integration and Assimilation** (Chair: Dr Julian Hargreaves)

Angelo Carlucci, Occhiali - Laboratorio sul Mediterraneo Islamico and Consuelo Emilj, Hacettepe University - An example of coexistence between Muslims and Catholics: the case of Reggio Calabria

Fatma Zehra Colak Altun, University of Leuven - 'When do you become a real Belgian?' Examining discrimination experiences of Turkish-Belgian Muslim university students

Friedrich Püttmann, European Stability Initiative (ESI), Berlin – 'Securitising the Oriental – How Islam is becoming a Threat to Kosovo'

Luna Skjoldann Larsen, University of Copenhagen – 'Generational Changes in Muslim Diasporas: Are we facing a Deculturalization among the new generation of Turkish-Danish Muslims?'

**15.30:** Tea and Coffee

**16.00: Keynote Lecture - 'Muslims, Schooling and Education in Britain'** (Dr Shamim Miah, University of Huddersfield)

**17.00:** End of Day 1

**19.00:** Conference dinner, Moller Centre

## **Day 2 - 7<sup>th</sup> June**

**08.30:** Coffee.

**09.00: Panel 3: Emerging trends of religious authority and leadership** (Chair: Dr Mehrunisha Suleman).

Ataul Khabir, University of Edinburgh - The Emergence of a Hybridised Islamic Authority: The Academic Sheikh

Haroon Sidat, Cardiff University - Young Ulama as Custodians of Change: An Ethnography of a Traditional. Dar al-Uloom in Modern Britain

**10.30:** Coffee.

**11.00: Panel 4: Challenging norms of gender and sexuality** (Chair: Hakan Sandal).

Aaliyah Shaikh, University of Cambridge - A Systematic Review of Muslims experiences of Pregnancy and Birth: A Meta Ethnography

Anna Holmqvist, Lund University - LGBTQIA in Muslim community

Muhammed R. Tajri, Lancaster University - Shī'a Female University Experiences. Shaping Religious Authority Conceptions

**12.45:** Lunch

## **Day Two (contd)**

**14.00: Panel 5: Moving between the sacred and the profane** (Chair: Dr Ferial Bouhafa)

Douglas Mattsson, Lund University - 'Abu-Lahab, stone him': Islamic semiotics in Turkish black metal

Emanuelle Degli Esposti, University of Cambridge - From Human Rights to "Shi'a Rights", and Back Again: Ethics, Sectarianism, and Identity in the Secular Age

Souhila Belabbas, Southampton University - Kabyle secularism in the UK.

**15.45:** Concluding Remarks (Neil Cunningham)

**16.00:** End of Symposium