

LITERARY CONSTRUCTIONS OF NATION AND RELIGION: INSIGHTS FROM THE MUSLIM WORLD

CONFERENCE PROGRAM

Swedish Research Institute in Istanbul
12-14 October, 2012

Thursday October 11	Travel day	
October 11 19 hours	Reception Swedish Research Institute in Istanbul Dinner:	Birgit Schlyter
Friday October 12 9.00-9.30	Introduction: Purpose of conference	Elisabeth Özdalga
9.30-10.30	<i>The End of Literary Narratives?</i>	Gregory Jusdanis
	Chair: Elisabeth Özdalga	
10.30-11.00	Coffee break	
11.00-12.00	<i>Yakup Kadri Karaosmanoğlu (1889-1974), the early Republican Literature (1923-1950), and the Birth of Turkish National Consciousness</i>	Azade Seyhan
	Chair: Sami Zubaida	
12.00-13.00	<i>Experience and Expression. Aleksandar Hemon and the Issue(s) of Bosnian Identities in Jugoslavia, (Post)war Times and Diaspora</i>	Catharina Raudvere
	Chair: Torkel Brekke	
13.00-14.00	Lunch	
14.00-15.00	<i>The Self and the Other in Moroccan Literature: Selected examples from the 1960's and today</i>	Florian Kohstall
	Chair: Madawi Al-Rasheed	
15.00-16.00	<i>History and Nation in Kateb Yacine's Nedjma. (Algeria)</i>	Abdelkader Aoudjit
	Chair: Spyros Sofos	
16.00-16.30	Coffee break	
16.30-17.00	<i>Tunisia</i>	Nouri Gana
	Chair: Florian Kohstall	
17.30-18.30	<i>Identity at the crossroads. Modern Libyan prose.</i>	Tetz Rooke
	Chair: Zaur Gasymov	
20.00	Dinner	
Saturday	<i>Wajdi al-Ahdal: Yemeni prose and the broken</i>	Søren Heibelstrup

October 13 9.30-10.30	<i>nation in the 21st century</i>	
	Chair: Tetz Rooke	
10.30-11.30	<i>Deconstructing nation and religion: young Saudi woman novelists</i>	Madawi Al-Rasheed
	Chair: Claus Pedersen	
11.30-12.00	Coffee break	
12.00-13.00	<i>Religion, Magic and Politics in Kirkuk: Fadhil al-Azzawi, Akhir al-Mala'ika, The Last of the Angels (1992)</i>	Sami Zubaida
	Chair: Nouri Gana	
13.00-14.00	Lunch	
14.00-15.00	<i>Utopia and Dystopia in Early Modern Persian Literature</i>	Claus Pedersen
	Chair: Abdelkader Aoudjit	
15.00-16.00	<i>Narrating an Imagined Homeland in Kurdish Novels</i>	Hashem Ahmadzade
	Chair: Azade Seyhan	
16.00-16.30	Coffee break	
16.30-17.30	<i>Ghobâr's novel "Afghanistan in the Course of History"</i>	Michael Barry
	Chair: Hashem Ahmadzade	
17.30-18.30	<i>Before the Nation: The Divided Village of Rahi Masoom Raza</i>	Torkel Brekke
	Chair: Daniella Kuzmanovic	
20 hours	Dinner	
Sunday October 14 10.00-11.00	<i>Nationalism in Cälil Mämmädquluzadä's Play Anamın Kitabı and its reception in (post-)Soviet Azerbaijan</i>	Zaur Gasymov
	Chair: Catharina Raudvere	
11.00-12.00	<i>Summing up the conference</i>	Gregory Jusdanis Azade Seyhan
	Chair: Elisabeth Özdalga	
12.00-23.00	Lunch, excursion and dinner	
Monday October 15	Departure	

List of invited participants:

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