WORKSHOP
14 & 15 February 2020

Arabicities of Istanbul
Setting the research agenda

14 Fri. SRII
15 Sat. IFEA

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Please take note that this workshop will take place in two different locations.

Organizers: Philippe Bourmaud (LARHRA Jean Moulin Lyon 3 University), Olof Heilo (Swedish Research Institute in Istanbul), Franck Mermier (ICNRS-IFEA, Istanbul), Alexis Wick (Koç University, Istanbul)

Communications will be delivered in or translated into English
PROGRAM

Friday, February 14 2020
Swedish Research Institute in Istanbul
Şahkulu, Istiklal Cd. N° 247, 34421 Beyoğlu, Istanbul

9:00 – 9:30 Welcome and Introduction

9:30 – 11:15 Before/Beyond Race and Nation
Chair: Ingela Nilsson (Director of the SRII)

Olof Heilo, (SRII) “The Arab Conquest of Constantinople: a different look on the Late Roman and Early Islamic World”
Juliette Dumas (Aix-Marseille University, IFEA) “The Palace’s Arab Servants: some thoughts regarding the use of identity markers toward kuls”
Haris Theodorelis-Rigas (Koç University) “Romanitas ‘lost in translation’: Revisiting Eastern - Orthodox (Rum) Communities in Syria and Turkey

11:15-11:30 Coffee Break

11:30 – 13:30 Imperial Circulations: People, Goods, Ideas
Chair: Denis Hermann (IFEA)

Isa Blumi (Stockholm University) “Istanbul: The East Mediterranean’s Conduit of Arab/Balkan Emigrational Exchange”
Alexis Wick (Koç University) “An Ottoman Nahda: Reading al-Tahtawi in Istanbul”
C. Ceyhun Arslan (Koç University) “Entanglements between Modern Arabic and Turkish Literatures”
Philippe Bourmaud (LARHRA, Jean Moulin Lyon 3 University), “From Yıldız Palace to Prinkipo: the Istanbuls of an Hamidian dignitary, Arap / Şamlı ʻİzzet Paşa”

13:30 – 14:30 Lunch

14:30 – 16:30 Post-imperial Configurations
Chair: Stefan Winter (Koç University)

Seda Altuğ (Boğaziçi University) “Turkish Orientalism and changing images of the Arab in Istanbul (1936-1990)”
Jean-François Pérouse (IFEA) “The jerky integration of the Sahâbîs in the historical narrative and in the collective urban memory of Istanbul after 1923”
Mehmet Ozturk (Marmara University) “From Cairo to Istanbul: cine-musical landscapes”
Enrique Klaus (Galatasaray University) “Fantasized Istanbul: TV series and Arab audiences’ screen tourism”

16:45 – 17:00 Coffee Break

17:00 – 18:30 Plenary Session: Migrant Governmentality
Chair: Sümbül Kaya (IFEA)

Mustafa Poyraz (Ticaret University) “The complexity of the inscription of the immigrant in the new society: cross-analysis from Paris to Istanbul” and presentation of the Special Issue of the Journal Migrations Sociétés, La gestion contemporaine des migrations en Turquie (2019/3, N°177), with Elif Aksaz (IFEA, Istanbul) and Didem Danış (Galatasaray University)
Saturday 15 February 2020  
Institut Français d’Études Anatoliennes  
Tomtom, Nur-i Ziya Sk. N°10, 34433 Beyoğlu, Istanbul

9:00 – 9:30 Welcome, Coffee (Institut Français d’Études Anatoliennes)

9:30 – 11:30 City of Arab Dreams?  
Chair: Bayram Balçi (Director of IFEA)

Franck Mermier (IFEA) “Istanbul: an Arab Cultural Free Zone?”
Nouran Gad (IFEA) “Is Istanbul the new place of refuge for Arab political opponents?”
Mariangela Gasparotto (IRIS, EHESS), “Istanbul in mind: Imaginaries and daily lives of Palestinians in Istanbul”
Uğur Kaya (Nişantaşı University) “Istanbul as a university city? Arab students in Istanbul”

11:30 – 11:45 Coffee Break

11:45 – 13:45 City of Arab Nightmares?  
Chair: Alexis Rappas (Koç University)

Çetin Çelik (Koç University) “Destigmatization strategies of Syrian refugees in Turkey”
Fatmagül Bolat (Istanbul University Cerrah Paşa) “Between access and exclusion: The experience of urban green spaces by Arab migrants and refugees”
Maissam Nimer (Koç University) and Susan Rottmann (Özyeğin University) “Is language learning “a way out of prison”? Analyzing the interaction between language and employment among Syrian refugees in Turkey”

13:45 – 14:00 Conclusion and Next Steps  
14:00 Lunch