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Vorläufiges Programm (Stand 07.09.2016) / Preliminary Programme (7 Sept. 2016)

Donnerstag / Thursday 6. Oktober 2016

Jahreshauptversammlung der DAVO / General Meeting of DAVO **11.00 – 13.00**

Panelblock A **14.00 – 16.00**

A. 1. "Social Justice in Egypt and Tunisia. Protests and State Responses in Times of Political Transformation"

Chair: Irene Weipert-Fenner (Frankfurt)

Discussant: Marie Duboc (Tübingen)

1. Jan-Philipp Vatthauer (Frankfurt): "Patterns of Socioeconomic Protests in Egypt and Tunisia. A Comparison"
2. Irene Weipert-Fenner (Frankfurt): "The Tunisian Union of Unemployed Graduates: Growing Social Mobilization, decreasing Political Responsiveness"
3. Nayera Abdel Rahman (Cairo): "Mobilizing Egypt's Marginalized Youth: The Case of Tuktuk Drivers"
4. Mariam Salehi (Marburg): "Dealing with a Corrupt Past: Socio-Economic Dimensions of Transitional Justice in Tunisia"

A. 2. "Patronizing Twelver Shi'ism: Religious Authority and Worldly Powers I"

Chair: Edith Szanto (Sulaimania)

1. Samer Elkaranshawy (Oxford): "The Shi'a of Lebanon and Iran: An 'Other' or a Self-defining 'Other'?"
2. Christian Funke (Hannover): "The Crowd, the Oppressed, and Qods Day"
3. Edmund Hayes (Tübingen): "The Growing Pains of the Twelver Elites: Navigating the Transition from 'Abbasid to Būyid Power"

A. 3. Current Re-Configurations of the Urban in the MENA Region I

Chairs: Christian Steiner (Eichstätt) / Steffen Wippel (Marburg)

1. Nadine Scharfenort (Mainz): "Heritage - Marketing - Displacement: Impacts of Large Urban Regeneration in Doha"
2. Jonas Margraff (Mainz): "Pattern of Neoliberal Reconfiguration in Oman – The Impact of the Tourism Industry on Muscat Capital Area"
3. Anke Reichenbach (Dubai): "Urbanism from Below: Emirati Leisure Venues as Places of Belonging"
4. Steffen Wippel (Marburg): "Re-Configuring the Waterfront of Tangier (Morocco): Globalizing a Secondary City"

**A. 4. Social Sources of Military Behavior: Arab Militaries after the Uprisings****Chair:** Kevin Koehler (Kairo)**Discussant:** Florence Gaub (Paris)

1. Jana Warkotsch (Hamburg): "The Resurgence of Military Rule in Egypt: Conceptual Perspectives on the Social Origins of Authoritarian Rule"
2. Ruth Maria Hanau Santini (Neapel) / Francesco Niccolò Moro (Mailand): "Civil-Military Relations and State-Structuring after the Arab Uprisings: Armed Forces, Security Apparatus and Militias in Peacetime & Wartime Political Orders"
3. Amy Holmes / Kevin Köhler (Kairo): "Sources of Social Support for the Military in Politics: Evidence from Egypt and Tunisia"

A. 5. Islamic Discourses and Ideological Radicalization**Chair:** N.N.

1. Ibrahim Lashin (Tübingen): „Analytische Betrachtung zur Modernisierung des religiösen Diskurses in Ägypten vom 19. Jahrhundert bis zur Gegenwart / *Analytical Reflection on the Modernization of the Religious Discourse in Egypt from the 19. Century to Today*2" (in German)
2. Hana Jalloul Muro (Madrid): "The Juridical Deconstruction of the Islamist Radical Discourse, Islamic Political and Juridical Terminology as a Peacemaking Tool"
3. Mohsen Abbaszadeh Marzbali (Teheran) / Arash Reisinezhad (Miami): "Islamophobia and Islamic Fundamentalism: The Mutual Reproduction of Orientalism's Heritage"

16.00 – 16.30:**Kaffeepause / Coffee break****Panelblock B****16.30 – 18.00****B.1. Experiencing and Negotiating Political Domination: Perspectives from Morocco, Egypt and Turkey****Chair:** Marie Duboc (Tübingen)**Discussant:** Irene Weipert-Fenner (Frankfurt)

1. Kressen Thyen (Tübingen): "Promising Democracy, Legitimizing Autocracy? Perceptions of Regime Democraticness among University Students in Morocco"
2. Hürcan Aslı Aksoy (Erlangen): "Negotiating with the Patriarchal State. Challenges and Successes of Women's Activism in Turkey"
3. Marie Duboc (Tübingen): "Beyond Twitter: Media Strategies During Labour Protests in Egypt"



B.2. Patronizing Twelver Shi'ism: Religious Authority and Worldly Powers II

Chair: Edith Szanto (Sulaimania)

1. Hadi Jorati (Columbus): "Nasir al-Din Tusi and the Imamis of Iraq on the Eve of the Mongol Conquest"
2. Edith Szanto (Sulaimania): "Patronizing Shi'i 'Ulama' in Contemporary Syria"

B.3. Current Re-Configurations of the Urban in the MENA Region II

Chairs: Christian Steiner (Eichstätt) / Steffen Wippel (Marburg)

1. Moritz A. Mihatsch (Cairo): "The Transformation of Heliopolis in the Wake of the Desert Cities"
2. Felix Hartenstein (Berlin): "Public Life in a Private Town: Towards a Model of Corporate Urbanism in Egypt?"
3. Stefan Maneval (Berlin): "*Counterpublics* in Saudi Arabia: Shopping Centres, Beach Resorts, and Gated Communities"
4. Ayşe Çavdar (Marburg): "The Moral of the Story: The Reflections of City in the Narratives of Youth"

B.4. Geschichte der Nahostwissenschaften und Aktuelles zu MENALIB / *History of Middle Eastern Studies and New Information from MENALIB*

Chair: N.N.

1. Kathrin Eith (Halle): "Lebenswege deutschsprachiger Orientalisten mit besonderem Blick auf Halle und Tübingen"
2. Daniel Brenn (Halle): „Vorstellung der Neuerungen im Fachinformationsdienst Nahost-, Nordafrika- und Islamstudien“

B.5. Ideology of the Jihadi Movements and the IS

Chair: N.N.

1. Marko Jovanović (Belgrad): "The Islamic Caliphate as a Social Myth"
2. Yahia Baiza (London): "Jihad Education and the Rise of Global Jihadi Movements, 1980-2016"
3. Ronen Zeidel (Tel Aviv): "The Dawa'ish: A Collective Profile of IS Commanders"

Keynote Speech by Prof. Peter Sluglett:

"The Relentless Misery of Authoritarianism: Some Thoughts on the Arab World since 2011"

Reception



Freitag / Friday, 7. Oktober 2016

Panelblock C

08.30 – 10.30

C.1. It's the Economy, isn't it?? (I)

Chairs: Sabine Hofmann (Berlin) / Markus Loewe (Bonn)

1. Markus Loewe (Bonn): "Health Policies in Arab Countries: not Effective, not Efficient, not Equitable"
2. Heiko Schuss (Kayseri): "Prospects and Challenges of the Economic Integration of Syrian Refugees in Turkey"
3. Ali Fathollah-Nejad (Berlin): "On the Inadequacy of the Neoliberal Paradigm in Iran: From the Green Movement to the Rohani Administration"

C.2. Visions of the State I: Rights- and Welfare-Related Perceptions of State Responsibilities in the MENA Region

Chair: Tina Zintl (Tübingen)

Discussant: Ahmed Maati (Tübingen)

1. Hend Aly (Cairo): "Urban Planning and Citizenship. Cairo between the Gated and the Informal"
2. Elizabeth Bishop (San Marcos): "Visions of the State: Perceptions of the Egyptian State's Responsibilities in the Case of Ahmed Naji"
3. Annabelle Houdret (Bonn): "Morocco's Decentralization Reform: Facilitating or Impeding a New Social Contract?"

C.3. Social and Political Development in Early Israeli History I

Chair: N.N.

1. Omer Aloni (Tel Aviv): "Orientalist Reflections in Early Israeli Law: (New) Perspectives on the Issue of Polygamy"
2. Shay Rozen (Haifa): "The Prime-Minister Farm, the Israeli-Iranian Relations and the Iranian Refugees, 1949–1952"
3. Na'ama Ben Ze'ev (Haifa): "Rural Migrants in Haifa and Social Change in Mandate Palestine"

C.4. Islamic Studies

Chair: N.N.

1. Nesya Shemer: "Islamic Law and Political Ideology: Yusuf al-Qaraḍāwī's Renewed Interpretation of Islamic Prayer Laws"
2. Abdullah Alaoudh (Pittsburgh): "*Ulama* and Islamic Legitimacy: Jurisprudential Mechanisms"
3. Fakhri Bsoul (Beersheva): "Dr. Zakir Naik – A Very Influential Preacher, Without Being a Faqih or a Mujtahid"
4. Asfa Widiyanto (Salatiga): "Rapprochement between Sunnism and Shiism in Indonesia and Austria: Problems, Challenges and Prospects"



C.5. Literature and Ethnic Identity

Chair: N.N.

1. Farangis Ghaderi (Exeter): "Politics of Kurdish Modernism: The Emergence and Development of Modern Kurdish Poetry"
2. Dorit Gottesfeld (Tel Aviv): "Between the Individual and the Collective in the Works of the Palestinian Author Akram Musallam"
3. Samir Hajj (I'Billin Village): "The Representation of the Homeland and the Palestinian Exile in Contemporary Palestinian Women's Fiction in the Diaspora: "Mornings in Jenin" by Suzan Abu al-Hawa as a Case Study"
4. Dominik Schlosser (Nürnberg): "Islam Taught that to Murder Someone was as bad as Murdering all Humanity: Muslims as Sleuths in Crime Fiction"

C.6. Media and Political Discourses

Chair: N.N.

1. Mustafa Menshaway (London): "The 1973 War Discourse in Egypt before and after 25 January 2011: Shifts in the State's 'Legitimatory Power'"
2. Ingy Salama Al Sayed (Berlin): "Visualizing War Journalism and Peace Journalism of the 2006 Lebanon War in the Egyptian Press"
3. Anne Grüne (Erfurt): " >> We can relate to it, but not in an Egyptian way <<. Discursive Readings of Global Entertainment in Germany and Egypt – Comparing Audiences in Relation to *Western* and *Arab* Popular Culture"
4. Shubhda Chaudhary (London): "The Role of Social Media in the Democratization of the Arab World"

Kaffeepause / Coffee break

10.30 – 11.00

Panelblock D

11.00 – 13.00

D. 1. It's the Economy, isn't it?? (II)

Chairs: Sabine Hofmann (Berlin) / Markus Loewe (Bonn)

1. Mohamed Boukayeo (Leipzig): "Brot und Herrschaft: Politische Legitimität in Kairoer Sha'bi-Nachbarschaften"
2. Ahmed Badawi (Berlin): "Institutions and Economic Development: A Heterodox Critique of the Post-Washington Consensus"
3. Sabine Hofmann (Berlin): "R&D Labs and "Digital Iron Dome". Transnational Innovation System and Innovation Policy in Israel"



D.2. Visions of the State II: Security-Related Perceptions of State Responsibilities in the MENA Region

Chair: Tina Zintl (Tübingen)

Discussant: Johannes Becke (Heidelberg)

1. Shir Hever (Berlin): "Commodification of Security in Israel: From National Mobilization to Marketing Tool"
2. Johanna Sand (Heidelberg): "The Decision not to Decide – Israeli West Bank Policy in the Light of Domestic Preference Building Processes"
3. Janja Mikulan Kildi (Nova Gorica): "Capturing the Perceptions of the Governance of Security Sector in Lebanon"

D.3. Social and Political Development in Early Israeli History II

Chair: N.N.

1. Elad Ben-Dror (Tel Aviv): "The Successful Collaboration between the Arab States and the Vatican to Further the UN Plan for the Internationalization of Jerusalem"
2. Ronen Yitzhak (Acre): "Jordan and Jerusalem: Why Jordan Occupied Jerusalem in 1948 War"
3. Jan Zouplna (Prag): "Western Diplomacies and the Image of Israel during the 1950s: Early Encounters between the Quai d'Orsay, the Foreign Office and Tel Aviv"

D.4. The A-historical Discourses of Jihadism. Medievalist Perspectives

Chair: Nadeem Khan (Münster)

1. Nadeem Khan (Münster): "The Heirs of Nūr ad-Dīn? An Epoch-spanning Comparison of the "Islamic State's" Perceptions of Justice and Jihad"
2. Mustafa Al Alwan (Münster): "The Historical Genesis of the Term 'Crusade' in the Arabic-Islamic World and its Instrumentalisation in Jihadist Discourses"
3. Stephan Tölke (Münster): "Jihad Concepts between Religion and Realpolitik. Classical Advice Literature and the *Islamic State*"

D.5. Studying Palestine in Germany – An Inventory

Chair: Sarah El Bulbeisi (München)

1. Tobias Mörike (Erfurt): „Blumen, Karten, Amulette – Belegobjekte des Palästinastudiums im 19. Jahrhundert als Artefakte eines Biblischen Orientalismus“
2. Moya Tönnies (Berlin): „Britische Ästhetisierung islamischer Kunst und Architektur in Jerusalem 1918–1926: Die *Pro-Jerusalem Society* um Charles Robert Ashbee und Sir Ronald Storrs“
3. Katja Janssen (Leipzig): „Dichten nach Gaza“
4. Katja Janssen (Leipzig): „Compulsory Zionism. Die Palästina-Frage im wissenschaftlichen Diskurs“



D.7. Education, Health, Peace and Development in Afghanistan

Chair: Uwe Bittlingmayer (Freiburg):

1. Uwe Bittlingmayer (Freiburg): "Educational Development Programmes from Germany between Human Rights and Human Capital"
2. Fereshta Sahrai /Naakow Grant-Hayford (Basel): "The Transcend Method – Solution-oriented Peace and Conflict Transformation in Afghanistan"
3. Stefanie Harsch (Freiburg): "Health Promotion in Crisis-affected Fragile Countries: Between Harming, Immediately Curing and Sustainably Promoting Health? A Case Study of Afghanistan"

Mittagspause / Lunch Break:

13.00 – 14.00

Panelblock E

14.00 – 16.00

E.1. It's the economy, isn't it?? (III)

Chairs: Sabine Hofmann (Berlin) / Markus Loewe (Bonn)

1. Mohammad Reza Farzanegan (Marburg): "More Oil, Less Quality of Education? New Empirical Evidence"
2. Georgeta Auktor (Erlangen): "Enabling and Sustaining the Energy Transition in Morocco"
3. Thomas Richter (Hamburg): "Geo-strategies and the Resource Curse in the Middle East: Cracks in the Regional System Post-Arab Uprisings"

E.2. Science in Transition – Transition in Science? I

Chair: Amir Hamid (München)

1. Amir Hamid (München): "Science in Transition – Transition in Science? Re-visiting the Nexus of Knowledge & Power Five Years after the Arab Spring"
2. Idriss Jebari (Beirut): "Collective Memory and the Return Path from Disengagement: Comparing and Contrasting the Morocco and Tunisian Intelligentsias"
3. Moulay Driss El Maarouf (Rabat): "Memories of One's Early Self: Remembering, the remembered and the Hermeneutics of Historiographical Knowledge"
4. Hmimnat Salim (Rabat): "Imams' Training in Morocco: Secularizing the Religious Knowledge's Modes of Transmission?"

E.3. It ain't Europe here: Israel as a Middle Eastern State?

Chair: Johann Büssow (Tübingen)

1. Johannes Becke (Heidelberg): "Integrating Israel Studies and Middle East Studies in the Classroom"
2. Achim Rohde (Marburg): "Uneasy Family Ties: Middle East Studies and Israel-Studies"
3. Dani Kranz (Wuppertal): "Applied Israel Studies: Between Status quo, the Changing Israel, and New Challenges"
4. Shelley Harten (Berlin): "The Inevitability of Convening Palestine and Israel Studies"



E.4. Sectarianism, State Failure and the Regional States System I

Chair: Raymond Hinnebusch (St. Andrews)

1. Morten Valbjørn (Aarhus): "Weak States and (Sectarian) Trans-state Identities in New and Old Regional Cold Wars of the Middle East"
2. Raymond Hinnebusch (St. Andrews): "Syria: From Uprising to Failed State and Sectarian Conflict"
3. Adham Saouli (St Andrews): "Sectarianism and Political (Dis-) Order in Lebanon"

E.5. Migration and Ethnic and Religious Identities I

Chair: N.N.

1. Marc Morató (Barcelona): "Turkish-Iranian Emigration to Mughal Empire (1544-1739)"
2. Tamar Demetrashvili (Tbilisi): "Gorjī – Marker of Georgian Identity in Iran"
3. Yusri Khaizran (Jerusalem): "Why are Christians Leaving the Arab Middle East?"
4. Sarp Balcı (Ankara): "Citizenship and 'Syrianess in Turkey': The Limits of Agon and Dissent"

E.6. Gender Perspectives and Body Culture I

Chair: Katharina Kilian-Yasin (Pforzheim)

1. Kurshid Sana Khan (London): "A Critical Analysis of Parallel Justice Systems and Protection of Women's Rights in Pakistan and Afghanistan"
2. Sharon Maftsir (Haifa): "Love, Marriage and the University in Post-colonial Egypt"
3. Amani El Jack (Qatar): "Middle Eastern Uprising and Social Change"

E.7. Werkstattgespräche I / Workshop for Young Scholars I

Chair: Nadine Scharfenort (Mainz)

1. Melanie Sindelar (Wien): „Kontemporäre Kunstproduktion im Kontext von Nationenbildung am Arabischen Golf: Visuelle Kunst in den VAE“
2. Daniel Walter (Berlin): "Calming Down the Megalopolis – State Sanctioned Murals and Tehran's Visual Cityscape"
3. Janna-Mirl Redmann (Genf): „Stimme und Bruch: Arabische Künstler auf der Documenta zwischen individueller Handlungsfähigkeit und institutionellen Zwängen (1977–2012)“

General Meeting of the Board of EURAMES

Kaffeepause / Coffee Break:

16.00 – 16.30:



Panelblock F

16.30 – 18.00

F.1. Treffen AK Wirtschaft / *Meeting of the Working Group Economy*

F.2. Science in Transition – Transition in Science? II

Chair: Amir Hamid (München)

1. Ramzi Ben Amara (Sousse): “Traveling Science – The (Re-)Making of Anthropology and African Studies in Post-Revolutionary Tunisia”
2. Yaalaoui Abderrahman (Tunis): “The Re-Making of Legal Science after the Tunisian Revolution”
3. Yosr Belkhira (Tunis): “Journalism Education in Tunisia after 2011. A Knowledge Revolution?”

F.3. Treffen AK Palästina / *Meeting of the Working Group Palestine*

F.4. Sectarianism, State Failure and the Regional States System II

Chair: Raymond Hinnebusch (St. Andrews)

1. Toby Dodge (London): Iraq: “Political Identity and the Deformation of the State; Neo-liberalism; Coercive Intervention and the Rise of Sectarian Identity Politics”
2. Vincent Durac (Dublin): “Conflict in Yemen: Local Grievance or Proxy Sectarian War?”

F.5. Ethnische und Religiöse Identität und Migration II / *Migration and Ethnic and Religious Identities II*

Chair: N.N.

1. Fabian Brinkmann (Bochum): „Konstruktionen von Verwandtschaft in der türkischen Außenpolitik“
2. Dzmitry Seuruk (Erfurt): „Kamal Dschumblat und Reformationsprojekt der drusischen Gemeinschaft“

F.6. Gender Perspectives and Body Culture II

Chair: Katharina Kilian-Yasin (Pforzheim)

1. Claudia Liebelt (Bayreuth): “Secular Self-Fashioning among Secular Middle Class Women in Istanbul”
2. Jakob Kraus (Berlin): “Training for Independence: Sports and Governmentality in Late Colonial Algeria”

Plenarveranstaltung / *Plenary Session*

Eröffnung des Arabischen Filmfestivals / *Opening of the Arab Film Festival*



Samstag / Saturday, 8. Oktober 2016

Panelblock G

08.30 – 10.30

G.1. Werkstattgespräche II / Workshop for Young Scholars II

Chair: Günter Meyer (Mainz)

1. Britta Holzberg (Bochum): "Decent Work and Price Competition in Global Production – The Dilemma of Mid-sized Supplier Firms (in Egypt)"
2. Isabel Ruckelshaus (Marburg): „Die Motive marokkanischer Banken bei ihrer Expansion in Subsahara-Afrika“
3. Giulia Cimini (Neapel): "State and Society in Transition: The Role of Political Parties in Tunisia and Morocco"
4. Mervat Elsaie (Tübingen): „Der arabische Frühling in der politischen Pressesprache. Eine linguistische Untersuchung ausgewählter deutscher Zeitungstexte“

G.2. Generating Support for Authoritarian Rule: Comparative Perspectives I

Chair: Hürcan Aslı Aksoy (Erlangen)

Discussant: Thomas Demmelhuber (Erlangen)

1. Mirjam Edel (Tübingen) / Maria Josua (Hamburg): "Authoritarian Learning, Regional Diffusion, and Domestic Factors: How Egypt and Uzbekistan Seek to Legitimize Repression"
2. Jessica Noll (Berlin): "Legitimizing Military Power in Egypt"
3. Holger Zapf (Göttingen): "Authoritarian Social Contract: Between Emic Legitimatory Discourse and Ethic Interpretation"

G.3. Arabellion: Sozialer Wandel im Kontext von Aufständen und Gewalt / Arabellion: Social Change in the Context of Uprisings and Violence

Chair: N.N.

1. Stephand Guth (Oslo): "In 2016 – How it Feels to Live in the Arab World Five Years after the Arab Spring"
2. Aitemad Muhanna-Matar (London): "Salafi Youth in Tunisia: The Experience of Self-Deradicalization from within Salafi Doctrine"
3. Patricia Bauer (Dundee) / Bertold Schweitzer (Dundee): „Verhältnis von *Deep State* und Aktivisten am Beispiel des gewaltarmen Widerstands in der ägyptischen Revolution“



G.4. The Making and Development of the Intellectual Field in Turkey: From Early Republican Era to Early 1990s

Chair: Neslişah Leman Başaran (Istanbul)

1. Neslişah Leman Başaran (Istanbul): "Mapping the Conceptual World of Intellectuals in Turkey in the Early Republican Era"
2. Gözde Somel (Ankara): "Kemalist Intellectuals versus the Soviet Union and Socialism in the 1930's"
3. Funda Hülagü (Aachen): "Rethinking the Impact of the Post-1980 Political Asylum in the (Re)Making of the Intellectual Field in Turkey"
4. Cangül Örnek (Gaziantep): "The Transformation of the Intellectual Field in Turkey in the Early 1990s: The Case of Aziz Nesin and his Struggle against Islamism"

G.5. Internal and External Influences on MENA States

Chair: N.N.

1. Ali Fathollah-Nejad (Berlin): "European Foreign Cultural and Educational Policy towards an Authoritarian State: The Case of Germany and Iran after the Nuclear Deal"
2. Sara Hamouda (Warsaw): "Egypt's Institutional Framework and the EU's Aid Effectiveness (2007-2015)"
3. Bernhard Trautner (Bonn): "*Power by Proxy* in the Middle East – revisited and reframed"
4. Mark Furness (Bonn): "Explaining German Aid Policy and Practice in the MENA Region since 2011"

Kaffeepause / Coffee break: **10.30 – 11.10**

Panelblock H **11.00 – 13.00**

H.1. Werkstattgespräche III / Workshop for Young Scholars III

Chair: N.N.

1. Hossam Mohammad Ouf (Tübingen): "Kanonisierung der Hadithe im Vergleich von Sunniten und den Zwölfer-Schiiten anhand „al-Ġāmi' aṣ-ṣaḥīḥ“ des Buḥārī (st. 256/869) und „al-Kāfi“ des Kulaynī (st. 329/940)"
2. Mahmoud Abu Shuair (Erlangen): „Hermeneutik normativer Texte bei den mu'tazilitischen Gelehrten. Eine analytische Studie anhand ausgewählter Beispiele von al-Qāsim b. Ibrāhīm“
3. Maryam Aryas: "Singing for the System – the Politics of Madh in the Islamic Republic of Iran"
4. Tobias Mörike (Erfurt): „Die Entdeckung des Heiligen Landes. Eine andere Wissensgeschichte der deutschen Palästinaforschung 1877-1929“



H.2. Generating Support for Authoritarian Rule: Comparative Perspectives II

Chair: Maria Josua (Hamburg)

Discussant: André Bank (Hamburg)

1. Saara Inkinen (Berlin) / Kressen Thyen (Tübingen): "Popular Support for Authoritarian Rule: Comparing the Effects of Economic Performance and Electoral Representation on Regime Legitimacy"
2. Nadine Kreitmeyr (Tübingen): "Incubating Authoritarianism: Social Entrepreneurship Networks in Jordan, Egypt and Morocco"
3. Tobias Zumbrägel (Erlangen): "The Delusion of being Eco-Friendly: The Arab Gulf Monarchies' Search for Green Legitimation"

H.3. Iranian Foreign Policy in the Regional Context

Chair: N.N.

1. Ali Granmayeh (London): "Syrian Crisis and a Russian- led Partnership: Origins and Outcome"
2. Laleh Gomari-Luksch (Tübingen): "Realism, Rationalism and Revolutionism in Iranian Foreign Policy"
3. Arash Reisinezhad (Miami): "A Post-Modern Empire: Why Iran Supports Militant Groups in the Middle East"

H.4. Studies in Iranian and Ottoman History

Chair: N.N.

1. Rehab El Siedy (Kairo): "Qajar Arms and Armours from Markets to Museums"
2. Yuval Ben-Bassat / Yossi Ben Artzi (Haifa): "Not just Cartography: Ottoman Maps of the Levant since the Mid-19th Century and its Significance to Historical-Geography Research"
3. Kurt Franz (Tübingen): "From Camel to Rail: Routing and Placenames of the Pilgrimage across the Hejaz, 1201 to 1918"
4. Necmettin Gökkır (Istanbul): "Ottoman Bureaucracy and Tafsir Studies: The Case of Ahmet Cevdet Pasha and his Tarjama Sharifa"

H.5. Internal and External Influences on MENA States

Chair: N.N.

1. Fred Lawson (Oakland): "Repression and Monarchical Rule in the Arab World Redux"
2. Ibrahim Daghdan (Erfurt): "Stagnation of Democratization in Postwar Lebanon: The Role of the Elite"