Philosophical debates, many of them involving the reception of modern Western philosophical doctrines, are a crucial factor shaping intellectual and practical behaviour of many thinkers in the Islamicate world and their audiences. One Western philosopher receiving a particularly lively reception throughout the Islamicate World is Martin Heidegger.

This conference explores various aspects of the reception of Heidegger in the Arabic, Iranian, and Turkish intellectual context. The keynote lectures and papers introduce and discuss approaches to Heidegger’s philosophy that operationalize, recontextualize, or review it critically in the light of Islamic and Islamicate traditions.

Admission to the keynote lectures is free and no prior registration is required. If you wish to attend panels, please contact HeideggerConferenceBern@gmail.com.

2 November 2016, 18:15, Aula
Ali Mirsepassi (New York)
Heidegger and the Islamic Revolution
public film screening and discussion

3 November 2016, 18:15, Audimax
Ismail El Mossadeq (Kénitra)
Heidegger in der arabischen Welt
public lecture (in German)

3 November 2016, 9:00, Kuppelraum
Panel I – Using Heidegger
Chair: Roman Seidel (Berlin)
Nader El-Bizri (Beirut)
Pathways in receiving Heidegger’s thought
Seyed Majid Kamali (Tehran)
Heidegger’s reappropriation of Aristotle as a possible way
Maazouz Abdelali (Casablanca)
Heidegger as a machine to produce concepts in the Arab World
Amir Nasri (Tehran)
Heidegger’s role in the formation of art theory in contemporary Iran
Sylvain Camilleri (Louvain)
Making sense of Hanafi’s eccentric reception in his French trilogy
Sevinc Yasargil (Basel)
Badawi’s interpretation of existentialist concepts using mystic epistemology

3 November 2016, 13:30, Kuppelraum
Panel II – Islamic Readings
Chair: Urs Gössken (Bern)
Zeynep Direk (Istanbul)
The receptions of Heidegger in Turkey
Nader Shokrollahi (Tehran)
Heidegger in Hozeh
Syed Mustafa Ali (Milton Keynes)
Heidegger and the Islamicate: Transversals and reversals

4 November 2016, 9:00, Kuppelraum
Panel III – Embedding Heidegger
Chair: Heydar Shadi (Frankfurt/Hamburg)
Bijan Abdolkarimi (Tehran)
Heidegger and the possibility of revival of the meditative oriental thought
Mohammad Mahdi Mojaheedi (Berlin)
The reception of Heidegger in Iran: A comparative-philosophical evaluation
Khalid El Aref (Fes)
Hospitality and dialogue: on Fathi al-Maskini’s translation of Heidegger
Seyyed Javad Miri (Tehran)
Shariati’s alternative reading of Heidegger
Salihah Shah (Delhi)
Heidegger and Iqbal on poetry
Ahmad Ali Heydari (Tehran)
Heidegger, Fardid, and the worlds of Hölderlin and Hafez

4 November 2016, 13:30, Kuppelraum
Panel IV – Critical Perspectives
Chair: Kata Moser (Bern)
Ahmed Abdelhalim Attia (Cairo)
Criticism of Heidegger in Arabic
Mansoreh Khalilizand (Erlangen)
Heidegger and Fardid on nihilism and the nihilistic essence of metaphysics
Monir Birouk (Rabat)
Abdurrahman: using Heidegger as a heuristic for conceptual authenticity

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