

**The 2003 Middle East & Central Asia
Politics, Economics, and Society Conference
October 16-18, 2003**

THURSDAY Oct. 16th 10:45AM Hinckley Institute OSH 255
TODAY'S FUZZY FRONTIERS OF INTERNATIONAL LAW
Guive Mirfendereski, JD, PhD

THURSDAY OCT. 16th 1:00PM Hinckley Institute OSH 255
ISLAM IN RUSSIA: PERSONAL RECOLLECTIONS ALONG THE VOLGA RIVER
Ravil Bukharaev, British Broadcasting Corporation

THURSDAY OCT. 16th 8:00PM Marriott Library Auditorium
FROM SILK TO SILICON: COMMUNICATION AND GLOBALIZATION
Prof. Majid Tehranian
Toda Institute of Global Peace and Policy Research

Registration: FRIDAY Oct. 17th 7:30–8:30AM Union Building

FRIDAY Oct. 17th 8:30 - 10:15 AM ROOM: Parlor A
PANEL I: “The Role of Education: Comparative Cases”
‘Manas’ and the Seven Testaments to Citizenship
Burulai Aitkulova
Kyrgyz Ministry of Education (burulaia@yahoo.com)
The ‘Ba’thification’ of Iraqi Education
Charles M. Brown
University of Utah (charlesmichaelbrown@hotmail.com)
Curriculum for Peace
Margaret S. Paydar
Independent Scholar (m.paydar@juno.com)
Chair: **Karolina Abuzyarova** (abuzyarova@list.ru)
Discussant: **Helen Faller** (hmfaller@umich.edu)

FRIDAY Oct. 17th 8:30 - 10:15 AM ROOM: Parlor B
PANEL II: “Civil Society in Central Asia & the Middle East”
Iraq: Civil Society and its Impacts in a Post-Saddam Era
Justin Page
Baylor University (justin_page@baylor.edu)
Post-Referendum Tajikistan: Perpetuity or Pluralism?
Najam Abbas
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Chair: **Larissa Ousmanova** (ousmanova@yahoo.com)
Discussant: **Payam Foroughi** (central-asia@utah.edu)

FRIDAY Oct. 17th 8:30 - 10:15 AM ROOM: Collegiate
PANEL III: “Turkey and the Kurds: Domestic and International Implications”
Kemalism and Positivism: Turkish Designs in Northern Iraq

Brendon Cannon

University of Utah (brocannon@yahoo.com)
Turkey's Kurdish Conflict and the Emerging Iraq

Murat Somer

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Political Islam and the Kurdish Question

Hakan Yavuz

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Adaptation in the Use of Violence: The PKK and Hamas

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Chair: **Saban Kardas** (saban@metu.edu.tr)

Discussant: **Rune Westerlund** (rune.westerlund@lh.luth.se)

FRIDAY Oct. 17th 8:30-10:15 AM ROOM: University 411
PANEL IV: “Dynamics of Palestinian-Israeli Peace Process”

Transforming Palestinian Politics Under the Al-Aqsa Intifada

Husam Mohamad

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US Foreign Policy: Effective Follow-Through on Peace Settlements

Dottie Alt

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The Road(map) to Hell is Paved with Bad Assumptions: A Theoretical Critique of Contemporary Applications of the Right of Self-Determination

Brian Mello

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Cantonization: A Roadmap to Peace in the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict or a Mere Pipe Dream?

Brian Kupfer

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Chair: **Rebecca Larsen** (r.larsen@m.cc.utah.edu)
Discussant: **Richard Lux** (luxorama@yahoo.com)

FRIDAY Oct. 17th 10:30AM - 12:15PM ROOM: Parlor A
PANEL V: “Diaspora and Migration: Issues and Problems”

The New Jews of Europe

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Performing Turkishness in America

Roberta Micallef

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Afghans Abroad: Generational and Ideological Divide

Rammen Javid Moshref

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The Schools of the ABCFM (American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions) in the Ottoman Empire

Mehmet Ali Dogan

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Chair: **Lindsay Calhoun** (lrc6@utah.edu)

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FRIDAY Oct. 17th 10:30 AM - 12:15 PM ROOM: Parlor B

PANEL VI: "America and the War in Iraq"

Preserving US Hegemony in the Middle East: America's Latest War on Iraq and the Case of the Gulf Cooperation Council Countries

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Iraq and External Factors: 1920-2003

Simran Sodhi, American University (simraj68@yahoo.com)

Chair: **Margaret S. Paydar** (m.paydar@juno.com)

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FRIDAY Oct. 17th 10:30 AM-12:15 PM ROOM: Collegiate

PANEL VII: "Prospects of Regionalism in Central Asia"

Is the Unification of Central Asia Possible?

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Central Asia as a Field of Confrontation for Regional Power Interests: Political Islam and the Case of the Batken Conflict

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New Security Environment in Central Asia: The Shanghai Cooperation Organization as Case Study

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Shanghai Cooperation Organization: An Emerging Alliance in Central Asia

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Prospects for Regional Cooperation between Caucasus-Central Asian Republics and the Persian Gulf Countries

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Chair: **Elin Suleymanov** (elin.suleymanov@tufts.edu)

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FRIDAY Oct. 17th 10:30AM-12:15PM ROOM: University 411

PANEL VIII: "Gender and Politics"

Advocating Women's Rights in the Language of Islamic Texts: The Tripartite Struggle for Women's Rights in Iran

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The Real Situation on Domestic Violence, Human Rights, Women, and Minorities in Moldova

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Women, Migration, and Identity

Katherine Tehranian, University of Hawaii (kkiat@hawaii.edu)

The Struggle to Dislodge Patriarchal Hegemony in Algeria

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Chair: **Sara Sanchez** (sara@utahfoundation.org)

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LUNCH BREAK. Please use the Union Cafeteria on 1st floor or the Panorama Restaurant on the 4th floor. Make sure to attend the plenary lecture at 1:00 PM listed below.

FRIDAY Oct. 17th PLENARY SPEECH 1:00PM: Ballroom

PAX AMERICANA IN THE PERSIAN GULF

DR. MAJID TEHRANIAN

Toda Institute for Global Peace and Policy Research

FRIDAY Oct. 17th 2:15 - 4:00 PM ROOM: Parlor A

PANEL IX: “Comparative Nationalism in the Middle East and Central Asia”

A Statist Interpretation of Nation-State Behavior: The Case of Saudi Arabia

Ryan Kiggins, University of Utah (rykigg@msn.com)

‘Unity of Rank’ vs. ‘Unity of Goal’: State Building, Arabism, and the Nation in Contemporary Middle East

Kristin Tassin, Georgetown University (kst@georgetown.edu)

The Roots of Saudi Nationalism

Janell Engelbrecht, Univ. of Utah (fuzzybear322@hotmail.com)

Approaches to the History of the Middle East: The Pendulum Swings Back to the State

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Chair: **Michel Mazzaoui** (m.mazzaoui@m.cc.utah.edu)

Discussant: **Kristian Alexander** (k.alexander@utah.edu)

FRIDAY Oct. 17th 2:15 - 4:00 PM ROOM: Parlor B

PANEL X: “Geographic and Cultural Confluence in the Palestinian-Israeli Conflict”

Conflict and Context: The Human Geography of Israel-Palestine

Maia Carter, American University (maia.carter@american.edu)

Israeli Settlements: A Look from Inside

Irena Vladimirsky

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Jewish-Sufi Encounters: At the Heart of the Israeli-Palestinian Peace Process?

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Chair: **Husam Mohamad** (hmohamad@ucok.edu)

Discussant: **Laurence Loeb** (laurence.loeb@csbs.utah.edu)

FRIDAY Oct. 17th 2:15 - 4:00 PM ROOM: Collegiate

PANEL XI: “Contemporary Issues in Afghanistan”

Contemporary Afghanistan in Transition

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The Rise and Decline of the Taliban

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Political History of Constitutional Development in Afghanistan

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Chair: **Rameen Moshref** (rameen@afghancommunicator.com)

Discussant: **Robert Cassinelli** (rjcas@infostations.com)

FRIDAY Oct. 17th 2:15 - 4:00 PM ROOM: University 411

PANEL XII: “Contemporary Turkey: Identity, Modernization, and Secularism”

A Pro-Islamist Government in Turkey?

Gamze Cavdar, Univ. of Utah (gamzeczavdar2001@yahoo.com)

Turkish Media and Sports Coverage: Marking the Boundaries of National Identity

Hasan Kosebalaban

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The Tension between Secularism and Democracy in Turkey: Early Origins and Current Problems

Ertan Aydin, Bilkent University (ertana@bilkent.edu.tr)

Modern Morality and the Facts of Actual Social Practices (Ethos) in Turkey

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Chair: **Alum Bati** (abati@salans.com)

Discussant: **Brendon Cannon** (brocannon@yahoo.com)

FRIDAY Oct. 17th 2:15 PM ROOM: Den

PANEL XIII: “Performing Arts in the Irano-Turkic Cultural Sphere”

Music and dance in the Islamic Persian World Sphere

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Dance and the Power of Representation in the Middle East and Central Asia

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Uyghur Music and Dance under the Communist Chinese Regime

Anwar Yusef, Eastern Turkestan National Freedom Center (ayusuf7454@aol.com)

Performing Arts in Southern USSR Before & After Communism

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Chair: **Emine Hosoglu** (emineh@u.washington.edu)

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FRIDAY Oct. 17th 4:15 - 6:00 PM ROOM: Parlor A

PANEL XIV: “Traditional Roots of Modern Turkey”

The Dilemma of Westernization vs. Traditionalism in the Modernization Project of the Middle East: The Case of Turkey

Hasan Horkuc

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Intellectual Roots of Turkish Islam and Approaches to the 'Turkish Model'

Etga Ugur, University of Utah (etga.ugur@poli-sci.utah.edu)

Religious Diversity and the State in Modern Turkey

Ilhan Yildiz

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Pan-Turkist and Islamist Entrepreneurs in Central Asia

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FRIDAY Oct. 17th 4:15 - 6:00 PM ROOM: Parlor B

PANEL XV: “Perspectives on US Foreign Policy”

Unapologetic American Imperialism: The Ethics of Reshaping the Middle East

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A Recipe for Disaster: US Foreign Policy in the Middle East & Central Asia

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Perspectives of Russian-American Relations in the Middle East

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US Middle East Policy 1973-1994: Reaching One's Majority Does Not Mean Maturity

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Chair: **Radoslav Dimitrov** (rado@poli-sci.utah.edu)

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FRIDAY Oct. 17th 4:15 - 6:00 PM ROOM: Collegiate

PANEL XVI: “Pressing Security Issues in Eurasia”

Uzbek Opposition and its Influence on the Future

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National Security Thinking in Azerbaijan: Coherent Policy Without Systematic Process

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God, Oil, Nationalism, and Economic Disparities: The Fluid Components of International Security in Central Asia

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Dagestan: Issues Against Sovereignty

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Chair: **Ryan Kiggins** (rykiggs@msn.com)

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FRIDAY Oct. 17th 4:15 - 6:00 PM ROOM: University 411

PANEL XVII: "Issues of Language and Identity"

Interethnic Integration through Multilingual Education in Kyrgyzstan

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Nationality as a Racialized Kind: Race and Language in Urban Kazan

Helen Faller, University of Michigan (hmfaller@umich.edu)

What is the Future for the Minority Ethno-Linguistic Peoples within the Avaric Region of Dagestan?

Rune Westerlund, Lulea Univ. of Technology (ruwe@lh.luth.se)

National Formation: Collective Memory in Islamic Societies of the Middle East and North Africa

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Chair: **Christopher Patterson** (chrisp339@hotmail.com)

Discussant: **Joana Odencrantz**

FRIDAY Oct. 17th Museum of Fine Arts Dumke Auditorium

6:30 PM DINNER: Persian Food

(all panelists, discussants, and chairs)

7:30 PM FREE CONCERT:

"Music and Dance of Persia and Central Asia"

Eastern Arts, U. of Utah Character Dance Ensemble, & Anwar Yusef of East Turkestan.

SATURDAY Oct. 18th 8:30 - 10:15 AM ROOM: Parlor A

PANEL XVIII: "Contemporary East & West Legal Issues"

US Law Against the Provision of Material Support for Terrorism:

The Erosion of Constitutional Rights or a Legitimate Tool?

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Removing the Welcome Mat? Political Asylum and the 'War on Terror'

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Mongolian Law on the Courts: Ultimate Battle for Judicial Independence

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Chair: **Luke Garrott** (l.garrott@m.cc.utah.edu)

Discussant: **Guive Mirfendereski** (guive@aol.com)

SATURDAY Oct. 18th 8:30 - 10:15 AM ROOM: Parlor B
PANEL XIX: “Women and Minority Rights”

Human Rights, Women and Minorities: The Education Factor

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Untrammelled by Faith: Religious Activism of the Arab Muslim Women

Samia Kholoussi

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Chechen Women: Nothing Left to Lose

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SATURDAY Oct. 18th 8:30-10:15AM ROOM: University 411
PANEL XX: “Political Liberalization in the Middle East”

Patronage and Social Capital: Networks in Middle Eastern Societies

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Assessing the Western Threat to the Growth of Democracy in the Middle East: The Cases of Turkey and Iran

Sara Sanchez, University of Utah (sara@utahfoundation.org)

The Role of Centrist Democratic Movements in the Middle East

Kevin Sheives, Baylor University (kevin_sheives@baylor.edu)

The Identity of Democracy: Its Origins, Adoption, and Ownership

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Political Liberalization in the Middle East and Central Asia: A Synthetic Approach

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Chair: **Roger Doost** (droger@clemson.edu)

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SATURDAY Oct. 18th 8:30 - 10:15 AM ROOM: Collegiate
PANEL XXI: “Media & Information Technology in Eurasia”

Covering Iraq: Arab Media Perspectives

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Perspectives of Development of New Information Technologies in Ukraine

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Free Media in Central Asia: The Case of Uzbekistan

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SATURDAY Oct. 18th 8:30-10:15AM ROOM: Union Theatre
FILM: “How Far Are You Willing to Go?”

Peace Corps Opportunities in the Middle East and Central Asia

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SATURDAY Oct. 18th 10:30AM-12:15PM ROOM: Parlor A
PANEL XXII: “Turkish International Relations”

Exploring Turkey's Role in Peace Operations

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US-Turkish Relations: The Case of 2003 Iraq

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Turkey's Importance to the West: It's Not a Question of Democracy

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Domestic Contestants of Turkish National Identity: The Case of EU Membership

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Chair: **Helen Faller** (hmfaller@umich.edu)

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SATURDAY Oct. 18th 10:30AM-12:15PM ROOM: Parlor B
PANEL XXIII: “State Violence, Terrorism, and Ideology”

The Power of Narratives and Networked Organizations:

Understanding Hamas

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Now in Arabia, Needed in Italy: America's War on Terror

Sarah Whalen, Layola University (whalen@sprynet.com)

Combating Islamic Terrorism: The Case of the Turkish Hizbullah

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A Constructivist Approach to the War in Iraq

John Yekulis, University of Utah (jyekulis@yahoo.com)

Unites States National Security Strategy in Solving the Israeli-

Palestinian Conflict and the 'War on Terror'

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Chair: **Mirjam Kuenkler** (mk2081@columbia.edu)

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SATURDAY Oct.18th 10:30AM -12:15PM ROOM: Collegiate
PANEL XXIV: “Alternatives to Democracy”

Monarchy-Like Republics: Will Egypt Follow?

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Democracy's Identity Crisis: Theocracy, Totalitarianism, or the Will of the People?

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Democracy in Central Asia: Implications and US Attempt

Enayatollah Yazdani

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A Bifocal for the Blind: The Sudanese Islamist Regime--From Totalitarianism to a Strong Authoritarian State

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Discussant: **Kristin Tassin** (kst@georgetown.edu)

SATURDAY Oct.18th 10:30-12:15PM ROOM:University 411

PANEL XXV: "Iran: Identity and Internal Affairs"

Power and Purity: Identity and Ideology in Iran

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Toponymics of Political Change

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Marriage Made in Heaven: Young Reformists in the Theodemocracy of Iran, 1997-2002

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SATURDAY Oct.18th 10:30-12:15PM ROOM: Union Theatre

FILM SESSION: "Afghan Documentaries"

Film: *Nameh Shab* [Name of Night] by Sam Edward, Eureka Productions 2003 (swww.eurekainternalarts.com).

A group of Afghan-Americans return to Afghanistan.

Discussant: **Rameen Moshref**

Film: *Afghanistan Through Women's Eyes* by Velcow Ripper, Video Project 2001.

Discussant: **Azadeh Saljooghi**

PLENARY SPEECH 1:00 PM ROOM: Saltair

THE US, CENTRAL ASIA, & IRAN:

A SECURITY POLYGON OR UNFATEFUL AXIS?

DR. ERIC HOOGLUND, Center for Palestine Studies

SATURDAY Oct. 18th 2:15 – 4:00 PM ROOM: Parlor A

PANEL XXVI: "Interpretations of Islamic Law and History"

Three Approaches to Islamic Historiography: Explanations on the Prophet's Succession

Zackery Heern, University of Utah (zheern@yahoo.com)

The Problem of Homosexual Marriage as an International Human Right in Islamic Law & Politics: Micro- & Macrocosmic Analyses

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Criminal Liability in Islamic Law

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Science and Religion Intertwined: Contemporary Medical Fatwas in Egypt

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Seeking Justice: Muslim and Non-Muslim Usage of the Kadi's Court in Settling Disputes in the Ottoman Society--A Case Study of Kayseri, c.- 1900

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SATURDAY Oct. 18th 2:15 – 4:00 PM ROOM: Parlor B

PANEL XXVII: “States & Foreign Policies”

The Dilemmas of the War on Terrorism in the Middle East:

The U.S. Occupation of Iraq in Perspective

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Exploring Neoliberal Theory: The Coercive Cooperation between Syria and Lebanon

Christopher Patterson

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Identity and Foreign Policy in Saudi Arabia

Rachael Rudolph

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Shiite Mobilization in Lebanon: A Multidimensional Analysis

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Chair: **Michel Mazzaoui** (m.mazzaoui@m.cc.utah.edu)

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SATURDAY Oct. 18th 2:15 – 4:00 PM ROOM: Collegiate

PANEL XXVIII: “Issues of Middle Eastern and Central Asian Political Economy”

Customary Associations, Structural Adjustment, and Coalition Change in Kuwait, Jordan, and Yemen

Jefferson Gray, University of Virginia (j-gray@uchicago.edu)

A Comparative Look at Privatization in Uzbekistan and Other Transition Economies

Jahangir Kakharov

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Government Policies, Foreign Corporations, and the Geopolitics of Oil in Eurasia: The Cases of Azerbaijan and Kazakhstan

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Petro-Politics and US Policy in Eurasia: The Post-9-11 Era

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Discussant: **Hans Ehrbar** (ehrbar@econ.utah.edu)

SATURDAY Oct. 18th 2:15– 4:00PM ROOM: University 411

PANEL XXIX: “Roots of Modern Islamic Fundamentalism”

Yusuf al-Qaradawi: Islamic Liberalism, Suicide Bombings, and New Methods of Islamic Jurisprudence

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Islam, Jihad, Deterrence, and the Post-Modern Terrorist

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Sovereignty Under Attack: The State System Meets Islamic Fundamentalism

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Tribes, Islam and American Military Intervention

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Chair: **Lindsay Calhoun** (lrc6@utah.edu)

Discussant: **Zaman Stanizai** (zstanizai@aol.com)

SATURDAY Oct. 18th 2:15–4:00PM ROOM: Union Theatre

FILM: 9/11 Through Saudi Eyes by Boder Bin Hirsi, 2002.

SATURDAY Oct. 18th 4:15 – 6:00 PM ROOM: Parlor A

PANEL XXX: “Mysticism, Culture, and Art in Eurasia”

The Lyrical Works of Contemporary Muslim Poetess within the 'Ikinci Yeni' Movement

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Influence of Persian Culture & Poetry on Sufism & World Culture

Kanat Dyussenov

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Sufism in Russia: Nostalgia for Revelation--Kick Starting Sufism?

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Chair: **Ewa Wasilewska** (mruczek@aol.com)

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SATURDAY Oct. 18th 4:15 – 6:00 PM ROOM: Parlor B

PANEL XXXI: “The Turmoil in US-Iran Relations”

The Bush Doctrine & Iran: Alternative Scenarios & Consequences

Masoud Kazemzadeh

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The United States and Iran Relations: a Historical Perspective

Roger Doost, Clemson University (droger@clemson.edu)

The Place of Paranoia in Iran-US Relations

Guive Mirfendereski, Independent Scholar (guive@aol.com)

Strategic Competition and the Power Cycle of Theory: A Case Study of Israeli-Iranian Relations

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Chair: **Kristian Alexander** (k.alexander@utah.edu)

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PANEL XXXII: “Prospects of Conflicts in Central Asia”

Prospects for Conflict in Central Asia

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Explaining Islam in Central Asia: An Anthropological Approach for Uzbekistan

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The Moslem Independence Movement in Xinjiang China

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The Longevity of Central Asian Ethnic Traditions in the Post-Communist Era

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PANEL XXXIII: “Contemplations on Water & Central Asia”

Transboundary Water Allocation Mechanisms as Key Component in Regional Security of Central Asia

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A Structure for Efficient Management of Water Allocation in Central Asia: Water User Associations, Water Accounting, and Bank of the Aral Sea

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FILM: *Do Zan* [Two women]

Tahmineh Milani, Iranian Film Society, 1998.