

Public Lecture Series

The Middle East in Global History – Global History in the Middle East

Der Nahe Osten in der Globalgeschichte – Globalgeschichte im Nahen Osten

In this lecture series, we intend to explore how approaches from global history can be applied fruitfully to research on the Middle East. Moreover, we hope to add a Middle Eastern perspective to the history of the globalizing world, a perspective that is all too often left out. The three lecturers explore different facets of global entanglements in the Middle East and offer glimpses into their cutting-edge research.

In dieser Vorlesungsreihe werden wir untersuchen, wie sich globalgeschichtliche Ansätze für die Nahostforschung fruchtbar machen lassen. Darüber hinaus wollen wir der Geschichte einer sich globalisierenden Welt eine nahöstliche Perspektive hinzufügen, die noch allzu oft marginal erscheint. Die drei Vortragenden beleuchten verschiedene Facetten globaler Verflechtungen im Nahen Osten und bieten Einblicke in ihre wegweisende Forschung.

Liat Kozma
Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Prostitution and Migration in the Interwar Mediterranean



Turn of the century accelerated sea travel mobilized armies, mercantile ships and tourists, and created European overseas communities. Coupled with late colonial expansion, the Mediterranean became a space for permanent and temporary migration. Based on her recent book *Global Women, Colonial Ports*, Liat Kozma's

lecture will examine prostitution as one category of such migrants, who helped shaping settler communities and leisure travel from Southern Europe to North Africa and the Levant. It will examine why, where to and how women crossed the Mediterranean to work in brothels.

Discussion

14.3.17 (Tues.) 10:15-12:00, ZUB 416

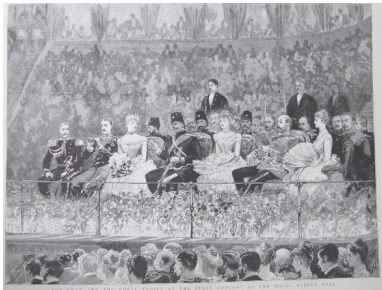
Discussion with **Liat Kozma** on a chapter from her recent book "*Global Women, Colonial Ports. Prostitution in the Interwar Middle East*" (SUNY Press 2017).

Please register by March 10: helena.rust@aoi.uzh.ch

David Motadel

London School of Economics and Political Science

Pomp und Souveränität: Die Europareisen iranischer Schahs im Zeitalter des Hochimperialismus



Der Vortrag befasst sich mit den Europareisen der iranischen Monarchen Nasir al-Din Schah (1873, 1878 und 1889) und Muzaffar al-Din Schah (1900, 1902 und 1905) im Zeitalter des Hochimperialismus. Beide Schahs wurden in europäischen Hauptstädten – in St. Petersburg, Berlin, Wien, London,

Brüssel und Paris – mit dem damals bei Monarchenbegegnungen üblichen Zeremoniell empfangen. Der Vortrag geht unter anderem der Frage nach, wie die Monarchen ihr Land während der Staatsbesuche an den Höfen Europas repräsentierten. Er befasst sich dabei auch mit der weiter gefassten Frage der Beziehungen zwischen den europäischen und nicht-europäischen Herrschern im imperialen Zeitalter. Er wird zeigen, inwieweit Staatsbesuche außereuropäischen Monarchen, die ständig um die Unabhängigkeit ihres Landes fürchten mussten, ein Instrument boten, sich auf der internationalen Bühne zu präsentieren und dadurch ihre dynastische Legitimität und die Souveränität des von ihnen repräsentierten Staates zu untermauern.

Discussion

28.3.17 (Tues.) 10:15-12:00, ZUB 416

Discussion with **David Motadel** on a draft introductory chapter for a planned edited volume (with Houchang Chehabi) about “Struggles for Sovereignty: Europe and the Non-European Powers in the Imperial Age”.

Please register by March 24: ulrich.brandenburg@aoi.uzh.ch

The Hajj and European Imperial Powers: Between Pan-Islam, the Cholera, Shipping Trade

The Hajj is not merely a religious undertaking of devotion for Muslims. It is a global annual event that included political, social, economic, and intellectual aspects throughout world history. European connections to the Hajj have a lengthy history of centuries before the influx of Muslim migration to the West after World War II. During the colonial age in particular, European and Ottoman empires brought the Hajj under surveillance primarily for political reasons, for economic interests in the control of steamships and for the fear of the growth of pan-Islamic networks. The paper will focus on the political perceptions of the Hajj, its global religious appeal to Muslims, and the European struggle for influence and supremacy in the Muslim world in the age of colonial empires. The study of Europe's connections with the Hajj therefore tests the hypothesis of how the concept of agency is not limited to isolated parts of the globe; and by this the Hajj, which by nature is a global activity, would become part of global and trans-cultural history of Europe.

Discussion

16.5.17 (Tues.) 10:15-12:00, ZUB 416

Discussion with **Umar Ryad** on his edited volume (with Bekim Agai, Mehdi Sajid) "Muslims in Interwar Europe. A Transcultural Historical Perspective" (Brill 2015).

Please register by May 12: ulrich.brandenburg@aoi.uzh.ch

General Information

Location University of Zurich
Room RAA G-15
Rämistrasse 59
CH-8001 Zurich

Time 18:15-20:00

Program

- 13.3.17** **Prostitution and Migration in the Interwar Mediterranean**
Liat Kozma (Hebrew University of Jerusalem)
- 14.3.17 Discussion with Liat Kozma (10:15-12:00, Room ZUB 416)
- 27.3.17** **Pomp und Souveränität: Die Europareisen iranischer Schahs im Zeitalter des Hochimperialismus**
David Motadel (London School of Economics and Political Science)
- 28.3.17 Discussion with David Modatel (10:15-12:00, Room ZUB 416)
- 15.5.17** **The Hajj and European Imperial Powers: Between Pan-Islam, the Cholera, Shipping Trade**
Umar Ryad (Universiteit Utrecht)
- 16.5.17 Discussion with Umar Ryad (10:15-12:00, Room ZUB 416)

Convenors **Ulrich Brandenburg and Helena Rust (Chair of Prof. Dr. Bettina Dennerlein, Gender Studies and Islamic Studies, IAOS)**

Registration The lectures are open to the public, no registration is needed.

Readings for the discussions will be distributed in advance:

For the discussion with Liat Kozma please register by **March 10**: helena.rust@aoi.uzh.ch

For the discussion with David Motadel please register by **March 24**: ulrich.brandenburg@aoi.uzh.ch

For the discussion with Umar Ryad please register by **May 12**: ulrich.brandenburg@aoi.uzh.ch

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