International Conference

Gender in Iraqi Studies: Trans_local Actors and Knowledge Flows in Comparative Perspective

Date: 6-8 May 2015

Conference Venue: Centre for Near and Middle East Studies (CNMS), Philipps-Universität Marburg (UMR)

Convened by Research Network Re-Configurations - History, Remembrance and Transformation Processes in the Middle East and North Africa

Wednesday, May 6th 2015

15h Registration

15.45h Welcome Address and Introduction
Andrea Fischer-Tahir (CNMS) and Achim Rohde (CNMS)

16.30h - 18.00h Panel 1: Political Transformations and Gender In Historical Perspective

Continuity in the History of Women and Revolutions in Iraq
Noga Efrati (The Open University of Israel)

Political Transformations and Gender in Historical Perspective: A Transnational Feminist Perspective
Nadje Al-Ali (SOAS, University of London)

Bint al Huda’s Reconceptualization of Hajj as a Means of Raising the Status of the Iraqi Da'wa Network
Anwar Al-Khalldy (Otto-Suhr-Institut, FU Berlin)

Discussant: Claudia Derichs (UMR)
Chair: Achim Rohde (CNMS)

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Thursday, May 7th 2015

9.30h - 11.00h  \textit{Panel 2: Dealing with the Past: Memories, Commemoration and Transitional Justice}

Anfal Survivors in Kurdistan-Iraq: Gendered Processes of Memorialization  
\textbf{Karin Mlodoch} (Haukari e.V. Berlin)

The Painful Return: Prisoners of War und Society in the Iraqi Novel  
\textbf{Ronen Zeidel} (Haifa University)

Discussant: \textbf{Anika Oettler} (UMR)  
Chair: \textbf{Mariam Salehi} (CNMS)

11.00h - 11.30h \textbf{COFFEE BREAK}

11.30h - 13.00h  \textit{Panel 3: Gendered Violence and Manhood}

Gendered Violence and the State Before and After 2003  
\textbf{Achim Rohde} (CNMS)

The social production of masculinity: Honor, Violence and Manhood in Iraqi Kurdistan  
\textbf{Minoo Alinia} (Uppsala University)

Discussant: \textbf{Hamit Bozarslan} (L’Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales, Paris)  
Chair: \textbf{Christoph Schwarz} (CNMS)

13.00h - 14.00h \textbf{LUNCH BREAK}

14.00h - 16.00h  \textit{Panel 4 Spaces of Gendered Subjectivities}

Gendered Agency in Iraqi NGOs? Encounters Between International and Local Spaces  
\textbf{Annika Henrizi} (UMR)

Gendering Neoliberalism in Iraqi-Kurdistan  
\textbf{Schluwa Sama} (UMR)

Everyday Gendered Experiences in Precarious Times  
\textbf{Shenah Abdullah} (University of Exeter)

Discussant: \textbf{Katrin Bromber} (Center of Modern Orient Studies, Berlin)  
Chair: \textbf{Christoph Schwarz} (CNMS)

16: 30h \textbf{CITY TOUR with Alena Strohmaier}
09.30h - 11.00h  *Panel 5: Gendering Cultural Production and Symbolic Violence*

Gender Norms and Images of Women in the Media of Iraqi Kurdistan  (*Paper presented by Shenah Abdullah*)
**Runak Faraj** (Rêwan Women’s Media and Education Center, Sulaimaniya)

Embargo, War, and Violence - Iraqi Women’s Responses to the Political and Cultural Situation of the 1990s in Iraq
**Leslie Tramontini** (CNMS)

The Image of Woman in Iraqi Films after 2003 (*Paper presented by Hanna AlTaher*)
**Irada Zaydan** (University of Baghdad)

Discussant: **Ines Braune** (CNMS)
Chair: **Alena Strohmaier** (CNMS)

11.00h – 11.15h  **COFFEE BREAK**

11.15h - 12.15h  *Panel 6: Gender, Trans-local Knowledge Flows and Academic Knowledge Production Inside Iraq*

Gender Studies in Higher Education in Kurdistan-Iraq
**Choman Herdi** (American University, Sulaimaniya)

Gender Studies and Knowledge Production in Iraq (*Paper presented by Hanna AlTaher*)
**Lahay Abdul Hussein** (University of Baghdad)

Discussant: **Andrea Fischer-Tahir** (CNMS)
Chair: **Dimitris Soudias** (CNMS)

12.30h – 13.30h  *Round Table Discussion: Re-Configuring Iraqi Studies*

Participants: **Hamit Bozarslan / Noga Efrati / Choman Herdi / Lahay Abdul Husain**
Chair: **Achim Rohde**

**LUNCH**

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