Dear Madame, dear Sir, dear colleague and friend,

Please find below the following announcements:

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1. International Workshop on “Transnational Advocacy Networks of Muslim Women: Organisation, Objectives and Countermovements in the National and Transnational Arena”, University Marburg, 20 July 2012


5. Workshop: ’Identity Religion and Ethnicity; New Patterns, Realities and Pitfalls’, Istanbul, Turkey, 29 Nov – 1 Dec 2012


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If you want to distribute an announcement via DAVO–Info–Service, please apply the usual format of the text with no more than 150 words and no attachment. Please send only the most important information and refer to further details with a link to the respective website or an email address.
Best regards,

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1. International Workshop on “Transnational Advocacy Networks of Muslim Women: Organisation, Objectives and Countermovements in the National and Transnational Arena”, University Marburg, 20 July 2012

The workshop is connected to a research project that addresses the emergence and expansion of transnational advocacy networks of Muslim women. Taking Musawah for Equality in the Family, a transnational network of Muslim women, as a case in point, the workshop discusses the dynamic of movement and countermovement formation on the transnational level. It is expected to enhance the social movement studies which have until now paid only little attention to the constellation of original movements and countermovements at the transnational level. Musawah’s networking activity is oriented towards reforms of Islamic/Muslim family laws.

Organisers: Claudia Derichs and Dana Fennert, Institute of Political Science, University Marburg. Participants: Moha Ennaji, Simin Fadaee, Shaista Gohir, Frederik Holst, Fatima Sadiqi, Saskia Schäfer dana.fennert@staff.uni-marburg.de and Susanne Schröter. Contact and Information:


All those with an interest in Soqotra and all aspects relating to the islands socio-economic and natural history are cordially invited. The Soqotra Symposium 2012 provides a platform for researchers, conservation and development practitioners and other interested persons to present their work and exchange ideas on issues concerning Soqotra.

www.bik-f.de/root/index.php?page_id=358&cms_veranstaltung_id=168 For further details and bookings please see...


Colloque international et multidisciplinaire organisé par l’Ifpo, Umifre 6, le Gremmo (Mom) et l’Université de Salahedin d’Erbil (Irak). Le but du colloque est de comprendre les dynamiques spatiales en cours dans le nord de l’Irak à travers l’analyse des acteurs qui participent à sa production : communautés, pouvoirs politiques, acteurs économiques.

http://calenda.revues.org/nouvelle24615.html Information:

Colloque annuel de l’Association française de sciences sociales des religions (AFSR) organisé par Fabienne Duteil-Ogata, Isabelle Jonveaux, Liliane Kuczynski et Sophie Nizard.

3 axes principaux structureront trois sessions du colloque :
1- Les concepteurs et les usagers du paysage virtuel religieux.
2- Quel est l’impact d’Internet sur le religieux?
3- Quelles articulations entre le virtuel et le réel ?

Les propositions de communication sont à envoyer à l’adresse suivante :
afsr@afsr.cnrs.fr avant le 30 septembre 2012


Organisers: KULeuven Gülen Chair for Intercultural Studies (GCIS), Intercultural Dialogue Platform (IDP) and Department of Sociology (Suleyman Sah University, Istanbul)


Abstracts (300–500 words maximum) and CVs (1 page max) Avant le 10 août 2012


The presence and importance of orders, as corporate structures of ritual and interpretive religious specialists, has long been noted in the history of South and Southeast Asia. Most often, however, these discussions have been compartmentalized within fields of study focused on a single religious tradition. This workshop seeks to open new lines of conversation by bringing together scholars working on Buddhist monastic lineages, Sufi tariqas, and Christian orders in Southern Asia, to bring their own specialized research into conversation with recent developments in the broader field of trans-regional history. The workshop seeks to understand better the motivations for extending religious communities geographically in the southern Asian region, as well as conceptions of affiliation that have shaped the movement and localization of religious specialists. The workshop will also explore the ways in which the presence of religious orders shaped processes of recognition and competition within and across the expansionary religious traditions of Buddhism, Islam, and Christianity.

www.ari.nus.edu.sg/events_categorydetails.asp?categoryid=6&eventid=1312

7. Deputy Director at Zentrum Moderner Orient (ZMO), Berlin

Zentrum Moderner Orient is looking for a new deputy director for research development as of January
2013 in order to launch the second phase of its research program, entitled ‘Muslim Worlds – World of Islam’

Zentrum Moderner Orient (ZMO) is an independent research centre for interdisciplinary research on the history, societies and cultures of the Middle East, Africa, South and Southeast Asia, and Europe. The focus is on influences, perspectives and connections of the South, notably of Muslims and their neighbours. The centre currently employs about 35 research fellows, the majority of them historians, students of Islam and anthropologists, from a variety of countries.

ZMO’s deputy director for research development coordinates and partly supervises research activities within the ZMO and with national and international researchers beyond the centre. Conceptualising axes of future research development and contributing to applications for external research funding will be an important part of this post.

The ideal candidate has already developed his or her own research profile and holds a habilitation or equivalent qualification works on the past or present of Muslim societies preferably of Africa, Central, South or Southeast Asia. He or she is fluent in German, English and the relevant research languages.


8. Up to 14 Visiting Research Fellowships at ZMO (Zentrum Moderner Orient) & BGSMCS (Berlin Graduate School Muslim Cultures & Societies)

Joint call for applications for Visiting Research Fellowships 2013 ZMO and BGSMCS are inviting applications for the calendar year of 2013. We are interested in attracting outstanding researchers who are engaged in research projects that are relevant to the respective research profiles at ZMO (www.zmo.de) and BGSMCS (www.bgsmcs.fu-berlin.de).

ZMO is an interdisciplinary research institute with an international community of researchers pursuing research with regional and trans-regional focus on societies in Africa, the Middle East, and South-, South-East and Central Asia and their interrelations (as well as their relations to Europe). The current main research program, “Muslim worlds; world of Islam? Conceptions, practices and crises of the global”, is concerned with social and historical dimensions of the Muslim world. We will, however, also consider excellent applications with a different focus. All applications should address themes covered by the three main working groups, “Concepts of World and Order”, “Microcosms and Practices of the Local” and “Actors in Translocal Spaces”, or themes that other ZMO-based working groups are engaged with (see website). One Fellowship will be dedicated to, and financed by, the “Crossroads Asia” research network group devoted to interaction between South and Central Asia.

BGSMCS is an interdisciplinary Graduate School based at Freie Universität Berlin. The Graduate School has an international body of students and draws from a range of experienced researchers based in
various institutions in Berlin who act as principle investigators and supervisors. The BGSMCS investigates the plurality, changeability, and global connectedness of Muslim cultures and societies. The area of study includes Muslim societies in the Middle East, Africa, and Asia, as well as Muslim communities in Europe and North America. We specially invite applications in the following fields: education; communication, mediality, and media studies; Islam and Muslims in the West.

The call is open for senior researchers and recent postdocs as well as finishing PhD students in the humanities and social sciences. They are invited to apply for a monthly stipend (1500 EUR for PhD students, and 2500 EUR for all researchers on a postdoctoral level) and a period of stay that should normally last up to three months. ZMO seeks to select about 5–10 fellows overall (covering doctoral, postdoctoral and senior levels); BGSMCS is looking for 2–4 postdoctoral and senior researchers. Slots are available throughout the year, and as we will allocate fellowships throughout all the months of the year. We particularly encourage applications by candidates from Africa, Asia and the Middle East.

Deadline: 30 September 2012

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The summer school will bring together activists from Egypt, Germany and Tunisia. It will focus on different forms of political participation, particularly those taking place outside of established structures. Participants will be given the opportunity to exchange ideas and report on experiences from their political struggles, and will build a network of partners to work with in the future. They will meet with organisers of participation campaigns, and learn about current debates as well as contests and issues in extra-parliamentary political work in all three countries.

At the heart of the Summer School is the fostering of a dialogue on all three countries’ perspectives on political participation. RLS covers all costs for participants. For further information and to apply, contact dingel@rosalux.de.

10. Call for Articles on “Egyptian Parliamentary Elections 2011”

The Center for Economical, Legal and Social Studies (CEDEJ, Cairo) has issued a call for papers for a special issue of Egypte Monde Arabe on Egyptian parliamentary elections 2011. Paper abstracts (one page max) should be sent to element@steuer.fr by 15 July 2011. Contributions in English, French and Arabic are accepted. For further information visit:

11. Call for Articles on „Iranian New Wave Cinema“
The Persian International Film Festival (Australia) and The Sydney Society for Literature and Aesthetics are announcing a call out for articles for a special edition of "The Journal for the Sydney Society for Literature and Aesthetics" on Iranian New Wave Cinema. Guest editors are Dr. Omid Tofighian and festival co-director Sanaz Fotouhi. Deadline for abstracts is 31 July 2012. Contact email: contribute@persianfilmfestival.com; see www.ssla.org.au/journal.html