

14TH AUGUST, WEDNESDAY

NORDIC CONFERENCE ON MIDDLE EASTERN STUDIES

	ROOM 1, 1ST FLR	ROOM 2, 2ND FLR	ROOM 4, 2ND FLR	ROOM 8, 3RD FLR	ROOM 11, 3RD FLR	ROOM 12, 3RD FLR	ROOM 25, 5TH F
8.30-9.00	REGISTRATION						
9.00-9.30	WELCOME Welcome session						
9.30-11.00		Syrian national, social and political identities and subjectivities <i>Sari Hanafi</i> Jean-Baptiste Allegrini Rahaf Aldoughli Amany Selim	Great powers in the Middle East <i>Pinar Tank</i> Annalisa Pavan Basma El Etreby Martina Ponížilová Michael Degerald	Temporalities and materialities of mobility <i>Anitta Kynsilehto</i> <i>Bruno Lefort</i> Elisa Pascucci	Tracing transnational tribal networks – the case of Bani Khalid in Jordan, Syria and Lebanon <i>Päivi Miettunen</i> Ala'aldeen Mahmoud Mohammad Ababneh Areej Ziad Ahmed Al Smadi Mohammed S. Shunnaq	Travelers, translations and biographies <i>Sylvia Akar</i> Emil Homerin Mendim Akiti Mark Sedgwick	The Politics of Islam in the Middle East and Europe <i>Rola El-Husseini</i> Demian Vokši James Root Orwa Ajjoub
11.00-11.30	COFFEE						
11.30-13.00		“Greening the Middle East”: Discourses on climate change and a green shift in the MENA region <i>Albrecht Hofheinz</i> Brynjar Lia Jon Nordenson Teresa Pepe Tilde Rosmer	Foreign policy analysis: Energy, secret relations and words <i>Elie Podeh</i> Olivia Glombitza Pinar Tank Samuel Willner	Syrian experiences through interviews <i>Marko Juntunen</i> Agneta Kallström Henriette Esholdt Mehmet Ümit Necef	Elaborating boundaries between groups: First millennium BCE <i>Päivi Miettunen</i> Antti Lahelma Caroline Wallis Jan Retsö Johannes Bach Melanie Wasmuth Raz Kletter Rick Bonnie	Mandate period – western imperialism <i>Mark Sedgwick</i> Laura Stocker Magnus Halsnes Ögütcü Özgür	Sanctuary in the city? Assisting urban Refugees in 21st century <i>Are John Knudsen</i> <i>Sarah Tobin</i> Kjersti Berg Robert Forster
13.00-14.30	LUNCH						
14.30-16.00		Gender boundaries, bodily experience and public space <i>Sylvia Akar</i> Ivana Cosmano Kajsa Amundsen Kiana Karimi Marie Bjerre Odgaard	Changing bilateral relations <i>Martina Ponížilová</i> Abdulaziz Alghashian Ahmad Shikara Ali Granmayeh Marianne Aringberg Laanatza	Christianity in the Middle East <i>Riikka Tuori</i> Laura Arikka Mari Parkkinen Michael Sims Pekka Lindqvist	Elaborating boundaries between groups: Today’s Middle East See above	The boundaries of state Intervention: Dealing with ‘property’ in modern Syria <i>Riina Isotalo</i> Marie Kostrz Matthieu Rey Vanessa Guéno	Spaces beyond: Living and governing the spaces of occupation in Palestine <i>Mikko Joronen</i> Tiina Järvi Jemima Repo Mark Griffiths
16.00-16.30	COFFEE						
16.30-17.30	KEYNOTE Gareth Stansfield Resilient boundaries and fragile states: The paradox of sovereignty in the contemporary Middle East						
18.30-20.30	SIDE EVENTS Reception of the Rector of the University of Helsinki, Unioninkadun juhlahuoneisto, Unioninkatu 33 (for the invited)						

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8.30-9.00	REGISTRATION								
9.00-10.30	SESSIONS IV		Re-drawing the political borders of the Gulf Cooperation Council: foreign and domestic politics <i>Gareth Stansfield</i> Cinzia Bianco Courtney Freer David Roberts Matteo Legrenzi	Dis-order in MENA: the power of narratives, narratives of power <i>Mühlberger Wolfgang</i> Olli Ruohomäki Toni Alaranta Ville Sinkkonen	Breaking and creating social boundaries <i>Henri Onodera</i> Barbara Henning Katarzyna Brataniec Šarunas Rinkevicius Vikør Knut	Imagery and inspiration in Arab fiction <i>Mikko Viitamäki</i> Ismael Abder-rahman Gil Maxim Yosefi Nina Zandjani Stephan Guth	The International context of political action in the MENA region <i>Rola El-Husseini</i> Irem Aydemir Linda El-Naggar Mairéad Smith	Limits of academic freedom <i>Tiina Hyyppä</i> Marc Owen Jones Anitta Kynsilehto Bilge Yabancı Ehab Galal Mezna Qato	
10.30-11.00	COFFEE								
11.00-12.30	SESSIONS V		Islam and societies <i>Ilkka Lindstedt</i> Corina Lozovan Laura Wickström Tine Gade Torsten Janson	Transcending boundaries of law, education, residence, and culture: Palestinians & Mizrahi Jews between state & non-state actions <i>Orit Bashkin</i> Kimberly Katz Mezna Qato Toufoul Abou-Hodeib	Assyrian identity in a changing world <i>Dan-Erik Andersson</i> Nicholas al-Jeloo Svante Lundgren Victor Dudas	The past and the future within the present: Narratives of people, state and glory in the contemp. Middle East <i>Carl Rommel</i> <i>Liina Mustonen</i> Patricia Scalco Samuli Lähteenaho Senni Jyrkiäinen	Analyzing contemporary Arab authors <i>Mikko Viitamäki</i> Ikram Masmoudi Khaled Ghazel Lovisa Berg Martin Riexinger	Permeability and salience: Symbolic and social boundaries in Turkey under authoritarian pressure <i>Paul T. Levin</i> Bilge Yabancı Erol Saglam Imren Borsuk Eroglu Seren Selvin Korkmaz	
12.30-14.00	LUNCH								
14.00-15.30	SESSIONS VI		Breaking boundaries or entrenching old ones? Post-Arab spring experiences of women and political representation <i>Homay Hoodfar</i> Bozena Welborne Gail Buttorff Mona Tajali Rola El-Husseini Sarah Tobin	Zionism without borders: Narratives of the promised land in and beyond <i>Hannu Juusola</i> Ahmad Diaa Dardir Hadeel Karkar Hanine Hassan Karim Malak	Religious texts – creating and reflecting norms and boundaries <i>Riikka Tuori</i> Akseli Saviranta Amanda Lipske Karl-Henrik Wallerstein Serafim Seppälä	Boundaries and political representation in arts <i>Wolfgang Mühlberger</i> Anastasia Shanaah Josepha Wessels Luisa Gandolfo Mikko Maki	State-society relations <i>Pekka Tuominen</i> Antonio Alfonso Bernhard Trautner Bosco Govantes Golrokh Niazi Michael Fischbach	New directions in the international relations of the Middle East: Foreign Policy and the changing regional order <i>Katerina Dalacoura</i> Amnon Aran Peter Seeberg Jasmine Gani	Implementation of the communicative approach in UiO <i>Zehad Sabry</i> Stephan Guth
15.30-16.00	COFFEE								
16.00-17.00	KEYNOTE	Sari Hanafi Breaking boundaries between secularists and Islamists: The case of the Gender equality debate in Tunisia							
15.00-18.00		General Assembly of the NSMES							
18.00-19.30	SIDE EVENTS	Reception of the city of Helsinki at City Hall, Pohjoisesplanadi 11-13 (for the invited)							
20.30-		Cultural program: Meera Band and Muhaned Durubi at Koko Club (open for all)							

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10.30-12.00	SESSIONS VII		Women, politics and multifaceted feminisms <i>Senni Jyrkiäinen</i> Dalia Abdelhady Emma Sundkvist Kristin Soraya Batmanghelichi Mulki al-Sharmani Mustafa Menshawy	Roundtable on the state of Middle Eastern studies in the Nordic region <i>Hannu Juusola</i> Jakob Skovgaard-Petersen Marianne Aringberg Laanatza Mark Sedgwick Stephan Guth Thorir Jonsson Hraundal	Refugee experiences <i>Tiina Järvi</i> Abdalhadi M. Alijla Salla-Maria Korhonen Tamara A. Kool Kawthar el-Qasem	Clerical networks, discourses and the state in modern twelver Shi'ism <i>Christopher Razavian</i> Mohammad Mesbahi Oliver Scharbrodt Yousif al-Hilli	Remaking boundaries in the Gulf <i>Jon Nordenson</i> Charlotte Lysa Hend Al Sulaiti Marc Owen Jones Mari Norbakk	Mediatized diaspora contesting boundaries <i>Ehab Galal</i> Mostafa Shehata Thomas Fibiger Zenia B. Henriksen Ab Yonus	Shifting boundaries in Iraqi Kurdistan <i>Anu Leinonen</i> Seyed Ahmad Fatemi Nejad Silvia Nicola Tine Gade
12.00-13.30	LUNCH								
13.30-15.00	SESSIONS VIII		Diaspora experiences <i>Mulki al-Sharmani</i> Fiona McCallum Guiney Iiris Nikanne Tomoko Yamagishi Ido Zelkovitz	Anti-clericalism in the Middle East today <i>Liina Mustonen</i> Andreas Nabil Younan Jakob Skovgaard-Petersen Joshua Sabih Judith Aagaard Saer El-Jaichi		Tensions between urban and rural – cities as beacons of reform <i>Pekka Tuominen</i> Claire Panetta Steffen Wippel		Hybrid media and struggles for political participation in the Arab world <i>Brynjar Lia</i> Jacob Høigilt Jon Nordenson Kjetil Selvik Marc Owen Jones	
15.00-17.00		Board meeting of the NSMES, in Topelia, Unioninkatu 38 (for the new board of NSMES)							