

Annual Conference

The Max Weber Foundation’s annual conference provides a forum for the foundation’s institutes and their research topics, as well as for other partner institutions. The event is organized and hosted by a different institute each year and provides the opportunity for an exchange of different international, comparative and transregional perspectives on current academic issues.

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Program

Saturday, December 14, 2019

Safir Hotel Bubyan Hall

- 9:00 – 10:30

Panel 8
Neighborliness as a Challenge to the Self
Chair: Simone Lässig
(German Historical Institute Washington)
Jakub Zbrzezny (University of Aberdeen):
The Clash of Liturgical Calendars,
the Clash of Neighborhoods –
Jewish Carnival in Christian Lent
Balthazar Beckett (American University Cairo):
“Something Vulgar in a Holy Place”:
African Americans as “Anti-Neighbors”
in 1930s & 40s United States
- 10:30 – 11:00

Coffee Break
- 11:00 – 12:30

Panel 9
Exhibiting and Performing Neighborliness
Chair: Thomas Kirchner
(German Forum for Art History Paris)
Megan MacDonald (American University Cairo):
Out of the Neighborhood and into the Museum:
Archival Space and the North African Neighbor
in Contemporary French Exhibitions
Falko Schnicke (German Historical Institute
London): Performances of Proximity. Using the
English Channel to Stage Twentieth-Century
British-Franco Relations
- 12:30 – 13:30

Lunch
- 13:30 – 14:15

Panel 10
**Neighborliness as a Concept between
Philosophy and Society**
Chair: Martin Baumeister
(German Historical Institute Rome)
Hans van Ess (Max Weber Foundation):
Neighborliness in Chinese Thought



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- 14:15 – 15:15

Panel 11
Shubra – A Neighborhood in Cairo
Chair: Pascale Ghazaleh
(American University in Cairo)
Mina Ibrahim (Universität Gießen) and
Gaétan du Roy
(Université Saint-Louis Bruxelles):
Everyday Practices of Neighborliness in
Urban Cairo
- 15:15

Departure to “Darb17/18”
(Tour, Dinner, Film Screening)

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2019 Annual Conference
of the Max Weber Foundation
December 12-14, 2019
in Cairo/Egypt

Event locations:

Goethe-Institut Cairo
17, Hussein Wassef Street
El Missaha Square
Dokki, Giza

Oriental Hall
American University in Cairo (AUC)
Tahrir Square
Entrance: Sheikh Rihan Street

Cairo Marriott Hotel
The View Lounge
20th Floor - Zamalek Tower

Bubyan Hall
Safir Hotel
El Missaha Square
Dokki, Giza

Program

Thursday, December 12, 2019
Goethe-Institut Cairo Dokki

9:00 – 9:30	Registration
9:30 – 10:00	Welcome and Introduction Birgit Schäßler (Orient-Institut Beirut)
10:00 – 12:15	Panel 1 Neighborliness and Friendship: The Neighbor as Friend Chair: Birgit Schäßler (Orient-Institut Beirut) Ajay Skaria (University of Minnesota): Political Friendship: Gandhi and the Remaking of the Neighbor Regina Schäfer (Universität Mainz): Neighbors and Frunde – Negotiating the Conditions of Living Together in the Late Middle Ages Patrick Rummel (Universität Marburg): Neighbors, Kinsfolk, Brothers? The United States, British North America and Victorian Empire Federalists
12:15 – 13:15	Lunch
13:15 – 14:45	Panel 2 Neighborliness and Enmity: The Neighbor as Enemy Chair: Miloš Řezník (German Historical Institute Warsaw) Katarina Ristić (Universität Leipzig): Neighbors as Brothers: Neighbors as Enemies – Memories of Neighborliness in (former) Yugoslavia Aurora Sottimano (University of St Andrews): My Neighbor, my Brother, my Enemy: The Politics of (De)Mobilisation and Securitisation in the Middle East

14:45 – 15:15	Coffee Break
15:15 – 17:30	Panel 3 Regulating Neighborliness: The Neighbor between State and Neighborhood Chair: Franz Waldenberger (German Institute for Japanese Studies Tokyo) Robert Pekkanen (University of Washington): Making Neighbors: The Case of Japan's Neighborhood Associations Botakoz Kassymbekova (University of Liverpool): Neighborhood under Dictatorship: Surveillance and Co-Existence in a Soviet Apartment House Betül Basaran (St. Mary's College of Maryland): Residents and Neighborhood Dynamics in Ottoman Istanbul, 17-19th Centuries
18:00	Dinner

Friday, December 13, 2019
Oriental Hall, American University in Cairo

9:30 – 11:00	Panel 4 Gendering Neighborliness: The Neighbor as a Woman Chair: Mara Albrecht (Orient-Institut Beirut) Betul Argit (Marmara University): Neighborly Relations Between Manumitted Former Ladies of the Harem and their New Neighbors Jane Freeland (German Historical Institute London): “If you hear a woman screaming, don't leave her alone!” The Role of Neighbors in Addressing Domestic Violence in Divided Berlin
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11:00 – 11:30	Coffee Break
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11:30 – 13:00	Panel 5 – Neighborliness and Religion: The Neighbor as a Theological Challenge Chair: Thomas Maissen (German Historical Institute Paris) Chafika Ouail (Orient-Institut Beirut): Revisiting Jiwār in Islam: Towards an Ontology of Co-Existence Hans-Peter Mathys (Universität Basel): Love thy Neighbor as Thyself (LEV 19, 18) and the Concept of Neighborliness
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch
14:00 – 15:30	Panel 6 – Globalizing Neighborliness: The Neighbor at a Distance Chair: Sandra Dahlke (German Historical Institute Moscow) Wolfgang Struck (Universität Erfurt): Distant Neighbors. Defining Neighborliness in the Age of Worldwide Communication Irmgard Pinn (University of Tehran): My Digital Neighborhood. Local Internet Communities in a Globalizing World
15:30 – 16:00	Coffee Break
16:00 – 17:30	Panel 7 – Neighborliness across Borders: The Neighbor as a Political Problem Chair: Abdallah Soufan (Orient-Institut Beirut) Roula Abi Habib Khoury (Saint-Joseph University Beirut): Cross-Border Neighborliness Between Lebanon and Syria: a Sociological Perspective Noriko Kawamura (Washington State University): A Historical Inquiry into Neighborliness and the Shifting Boundaries Surrounding Japan
18:00 18:30	Reception at Cairo Marriott Hotel Palace Tour with Tarek Tawfiq (Cairo University) Welcome Remarks Sönke Siemon (Deputy Head of Mission, German Embassy Cairo) Hans van Ess (President, Max Weber Foundation) Pascale Ghazaleh (American University in Cairo) Birgit Schäßler (Director, Orient-Institut Beirut)