

Social Movements and Cultural Imaginaries of the Arab Spring

Workshop held at the Berlin Graduate School Muslim Cultures and Societies

Date:

Monday, May 14, 2012; 15:30 pm – 19:30 pm

Organiser:

Paul Amar (Associate Professor, University of California, Santa Barbara);
Visiting Fellow at BGS MCS

Participants:

doctoral students of the BGS MCS,
students and fellows from associated institutions

Readings:

At least one week before each workshop, one article, chapter or paper for each guest will be circulated. Reading these papers BEFORE the workshop is mandatory.

Format:

Guests will not present their papers but will only offer a five-minute overview. Then dialogue and questions will commence. This is not a “panel” format, but a true dialogic workshop format.

Credit Points:

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Application:

The deadline for application is April 30 (via e-mail to office@bgsmcs.fu-berlin.de)

Contact:

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(for workshop programme s. below)

Workshop Programme:

15:30 PART ONE: Islamic Social Movements and Challenges to the State

Jillian Schwedler, Professor of Political Science, City University of New York, Hunter College
“The Kingdom of Jordan in the Arab Spring: Social Movements, New Islamists, and the Spatial Geography of Protests”

Isabelle Werenfels, German Institute for International and Security Affairs (SWP) (*t. b. c.*)

Agnieszka Paczynska, Professor of Political Science and Global Studies, School for Conflict Analysis and Resolution, George Mason University
“Comparing the Nexus of Religion and New Uprisings: Poland, Kirgizstan, Egypt”

17:15 PART TWO: Depicting the Gender and Class of New Revolutions and Military Occupations

Gil Hochberg, Associate Professor of Comparative Literature and Women’s Studies, UCLA
“Chic Point: Queering Israeli and Palestinian Militarized Masculinity in Experimental Cinema”

Paul Amar, Associate Professor of Global & International Studies, UCSB
“New Media Clips and Graffiti Art of the Egyptian Revolution: Reframing the Gender and Class Politics of the Muslim Brothers and the Military Regime”

18:30 Individual Consultations, one-on-one, between graduate students and visiting professors

15-minutes each. Please reserve time-slot in advance.

19:30 Go out for drinks or coffee together