



RESEARCH SEMINAR AT THE SWEDISH RESEARCH INSTITUTE IN ISTANBUL
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Religion, Law and Society

PROGRAMME



Monday February 10th

9.00

Welcome

Prof. Birgit N. Schlyter, Director of the Swedish Research Institute in Istanbul

Ambassador Birgitta Holst Alani, Director of the Swedish Institute in Alexandria

Prof. Gunnel Forsberg, Deputy Dean of the Faculty of Social Sciences, Stockholm University, "Universities and Institutes in cooperation for internationalization." USI

9.40- 11.20

Presentations *(15 minutes by each presenter followed by 5 minutes of discussion)*

Ph.D. Aiman F. Al Hajjawi, "Women's work and the religious norms of the Arab community."

Ph.D. Nina Gren, "Unruly boys and quiet girls: Gender and education in UNRWA schools in the West Bank."

Associate Prof. Jonas Svensson, "Trends in Muslim feminism."

Mme Adila Benaouda, "Gender, citizenship, social and religious norms in Arab countries: a contrasted visibility."

Ph.D. Fouzia Rhissassi "Women's rights as a domain for addressing the tensions brought into play by the intersections of religion law in Morocco."

11.20- 11.40

Coffee break

11.40- 12.20

Presentations *(15 minutes by each presenter followed by 5 minutes of discussion)*

Ph.D. Andreas Önver Cetrez, "Religion, cultural norms and gender perspectives among Iraqi immigrants in Sweden: A case study on minority-majority relations, mental health, and acculturation process."

Ph.D. Marianne Laanatza, "Relations between majority and minority – from the Berbers perspectives."

12.20-13.20	Lunch
13.20- 14.20	<p>Presentations <i>(15 minutes by each presenter followed by 5 minutes of discussion)</i></p> <p>Ph.D. student Sameh Egyptson, “Freedom of religion between the Al-Azhar, the Muslim Brotherhood, the Salafi movement and the Coptic church in Egypt after the revolution.”</p> <p>Ph.D. Muntaha Aamar, “Democracy and the Shura, a comparative study.”</p> <p>Ph.D. Amr El Shobaki, “Political Islam and democracy.”</p>
14.20- 15.20	<p>Group discussion</p> <p><i>The participants will be grouped in 4 groups. One person in each group will document the discussions.</i></p>
15.20-15.40	Coffee break
15.40-16.10	Reports from the groups and discussion
20.00	Dinner

Tuesday February 11th

- 10.00-11.40 **Presentations** (15 minutes by each presenter followed by 5 minutes of discussion)
- Mr. Georges Fahmi, "State Islam and support for democracy: Comparing the Al-Azhar and the presidency of religious affairs (Diyanet İşleri Başkanlığı)."
- Prof. Hans-Ingvar Roth, "Freedom of religion and church/state relations - a European perspective."
- Associate Prof. Murat Somer, "Religious and secular elite cooperation and institution building: Critical junctures and value divisions."
- Ph.D. Anders Persson, "Defining a just peace in the Israeli-Palestinian conflict: "Legitimizing power Europe" in practice."
- Associate Prof. Mohamed Sideek Seyad, "EU model of social justice and its relevance to MENA region."
- 11.20-12.40 Coffee break
- 12.40-13.00 **Presentations** (15 minutes by each presenter followed by 5 minutes of discussion)
- Ph.D. Ahmed Samir, "Citizenship and social justice."
- 13.00-14.00 Lunch
- 14.00-14.40 **Presentations** (15 minutes by each presenter followed by 5 minutes of discussion)
- Ph.D. student Rickard Lagervall, "Law and reform in Morocco."
- Ph.D. student Katinka Svanberg, "Building democracy in transitional societies – what can we learn from the UN experience?"
- 14.40- 15.00 Coffee break
- 15.00- 15.30 How to move from knowledge exchange to cooperation?
Where do we go from here?