Programme
(as of 20 April 2017)

Workshop on
Muslim Secularities:
Explorations into Concepts of Distinction and Practices of Differentiation

18–20 June 2017, Leipzig University
Humanities Centre for Advanced Studies (Kolleg-Forschergruppe, KFG)
„Multiple Secularities – Beyond the West, Beyond Modernities“

Sunday, 18 June 2017

6 p.m. Public Keynote by Bryan Turner (City University of New York)
7:30 p.m. Reception / Meet & Greet
8:30 p.m. Small Buffet for Speakers, Participants and the KFG’s scholars

Monday, 19 June 2017

9 – 9:45 a.m. Introduction I: Multiple Secularities and Islam
Monika Wohlrab-Sahr & Markus Dressler
(KFG “Multiple Secularities”, Leipzig)

10 – 11:30 a.m. Paper Discussions
Heidemarie Winkel (Bielefeld University)
Equality Principles as Concepts of Distinction: Islamic Feminism between Religious and Secular Gender Knowledge

Sana Chavoshian (KFG “Multiple Secularities”, Leipzig)
Feminist Historiography and Multiple Differentiations: Women’s Agency in Early 20th Century Iran

11:50 a.m. – 1:20 p.m. Paper Discussions
Florian Zemmin (University of Bern)
Rafiqal-Azm: Validating the Secular from within an Islamic Discourse

Daniel Kinitz (KFG “Multiple Secularities”, Leipzig)
Secularity without Religion? Abd al-Wahhāb al-Missīrī’s Critique of a Secular Modernity

1:20 – 2:20 p.m. Lunch Break
2:20 – 3:50

Paper Discussions

Samuli Schielke (Leibniz-Zentrum Moderner Orient (ZMO), Berlin)
Is Prose Poetry a Conspiracy against the Noble Qur’an? The Power of God and the Heresy of the Secular in Egypt

Katerina Dalacoura (London School of Economics and Political Science)
‘Islamic Civilisation’ as an Aspect of Secularisation: Late Ottoman and Turkish Republican Islamic Thought.

4:10 – 5:40 p.m.

Paper Discussions

Francesco Piraino (Scuola Normale Superiore Firenze-Pisa)
Contemporary Transnational Sufi Orders in Multiple Societies and Secularities

Martin Ramstedt (Martin Luther University Halle-Wittenberg)
Positioning Religion: Islam and Its Other in Post-New Order Indonesia

6:30 – 7:30 p.m.

Public Keynote by Neguin Yavari
(Central European University, Budapest)
Small reception / Meet & Greet

Tuesday, 20 June 2017

9 – 9:45 a.m.

Introduction II: Secularity and Islam in Historical Perspective
Armando Salvatore (KFG “Multiple Secularities”, Leipzig)

9:45 – 10:30 a.m.

Paper Discussion

Sona Grigoryan (Central European University, Budapest)
‘Abbāsid Freethinking and Secular Implications of Religion

10:50 a.m. – 12:20 p.m.

Paper Discussions

Tilman Hannemann (University of Bremen)
Religious and Secular Notions of Legal Authority and Public Space in North African Customary Law

Elliot Lee (University of Hong Kong)
Muslim Ethno-Religious Identity Reformulation in Modern(izing) China

12:20 – 1:20 p.m.

Lunch

1:20 – 2:50 p.m.

Paper Discussions

Brannon Ingram (Northwestern University)
A ‘Modern’ Madrasa: Deoband and the Colonial Secular

Geetanjali Srikantan (Tilburg Law School)
Interrogating Legal Consciousness as a Mode of Secularity in Anglo-Muhammadan Law
3:10 – 4:40 p.m.  Paper Discussions
Aylin Koçunyan
Legalising the Boundaries between the Religious and the Secular: The Case of Ottoman Armenians (1863-1923)
Hakan Karpuzcu (Princeton University)
Making of Islamic Family Law and Secularism in the Late Ottoman Empire

4:40 – 5:15 p.m.  Coffee Break

5:15 – 6:15 p.m.  Closing Discussion

7:15 p.m.  Joint Dinner