Constructing Islamic Philosophy of Law: Obstacles, Challenges and Solutions

Day 1  Friday 27th May 2022

09.00  Introductory remarks  Serdar Kurnaz (Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin)

09.30  **PANEL 1**  On *Uṣūl al-Fiqh* as Islamic Philosophy of Law

**CHAIR:**  Asad Q. Ahmed  (Berkeley)

**Session 1**  Robert Gleave  (Exeter)
Topic:  *TBA*

**Session 2**  Felicitas Opwis  (Georgetown)

Topic:  “The Philosophy of Legal Interpretation: Textualism, Originalism, Purposivism, and Evolutionism in Islamic and Constitutional Law”

11.00  Refreshments

11.30  **PANEL 2**  Philosophy

**CHAIR:**  Ziad Abu Akl  (Paris)

**Session 1**  David Vishanoff  (Oklahoma)


**Session 2**  Asad Ahmed  (Berkeley)

Topic:  “Consensus, Consistency, and Closure: Some Reflections on a Philosophy of Islamic Law”

13.00  Lunch
14.30 PANEL 3 Theology
CHAIR: Mira Sievers (Humboldt)
Session 1 Frank Griffel (Yale)
Topic: “Rationalism Overwhelmed by Fideism or Sceptical Reflections on the Bounds of Reason? Western Impressions of a Rich and Quite Foreign Intellectual Tradition”

15.30 Refreshments

16.30 PANEL 4 The Qur’an, Exegetics, and Legal Hermeneutics
CHAIR: Nimet Seker (Humboldt)
Session 1 Walid Saleh (Toronto)
Topic: “The Qur’an and a Philosophy of its Law”
Session 2 Johanna Pink (Freiburg)
Topic: “Hermeneutics, Exegesis and Translation: Interpreting the Qur’an through Language”

18.30 Dinner

Day 2 Saturday 28th May 2022

09.30 PANEL 5 Hadith
CHAIR: Mohammad Gharaibeh (Humboldt)
Session 1 Joseph Lowry (Pennsylvania)
Topic: “Prophetic Hadith and the Traditional Tasks of Legal Philosophy: A Preliminary Exploration”
Session 2  Maroussia Bednarkiewicz (Tübingen)

Topic: “*Constructing Islamic Philosophy of Law with Digital Tools*”

11.00  Refreshments

11.30  **PANEL 6**  Islamic Law in the Academy: Theory and Practice

CHAIR:  Abdelghafar Salim  (Halle)

Session 1  Mathias Rohe  (Erlangen-Nurnberg)

Topic: *TBA*

Session 2  S. Kurnaz, A. Ahmed, R. Gleave

Topic: “*Concluding Reflections*”

13.00  Lunch and end of the conference