RECONSTRUCTING
NEIGHBORHOODS OF WAR

ALEPPO
BAGHDAD
BEIRUT
BERLIN
BINT JBEIL
DAMASCUS
DRESDEN
HIROSHIMA
HOMS
KHORRAMSHAHR
MOSUL
WARSAW
WEDNESDAY 28 NOVEMBER // OIB

19.00 OPENING
Marwan Rechmaoui / Artist, Beirut
Neighborhoods of Beirut: An Artist’s View

THURSDAY 29 NOVEMBER // OIB

09.15 – 09.30 REGISTRATION

09.30 – 10.00 WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION
Birgit Schäbler / Director OIB

Panel 1 THE IMPORTANCE OF BEING EARNEST
ABOUT NEIGHBORHOODS

10.00 – 10.50 Kevin Mazur / Nuffield College, University of Oxford
Spontaneous Settlement, Social Reproduction,
and Ethnic Identity in Homs

10.50 – 11.50 Omar Mohammed, Angela Boskovitch / Mosul Eye
Mosul: Changing Neighborhoods and Neighborly Relations

11.50 – 13.20 Lunch Break

13.20 – 14.10 Mazen Haidar / Architect in Conservation, AHTEEP, Sorbonne
Spontaneous Reparation Practices in Beirut:
Toward a New History of Post-War Reconstruction

Panel 2 IS THERE SOMETHING TO BE LEARNED FROM
THE GLOBAL EXPERIENCE OF POST-WWII?

14.10 – 15.00 Piotr Korduba / Adam Mickiewicz University, Poznań
The Reconstruction of Warsaw:
Between Abhorrence and Acceptance

15.00 – 15.30 Coffee Break

15.30 – 16.20 Paul Sigel / Art Historian and Urban Historian, Berlin
Postwar-Rebuilding in Divided Germany:
Neighborhood Rebuilding in the Case Studies of Berlin
and Dresden during the Cold War

16.20 – 17.10 Allam Alkazei / University of Tsukuba, Japan
Reconstruction for Vitality: The Revival of Downtown
Hiroshima after the Atomic Bombing
Panel 3  IRAN

09.30 – 10.20  Mohammad Hassan Khani / Imam Sadiq University, Tehran
War Immigration and its Impact on the Post-War
Reconstruction of Neighborhoods — A Case Study of
Khorramshahr after the Iran-Iraq War

Panel 4  IRAQ

10.20 – 11.10  Namariq al-Rawi / Architect, Baghdad
"Sectarianism": The Impact of Eliminating Heterogeneity
and Forcing Homogeneity on the Neighborhoods of Baghdad

11.10 – 11.30  Coffee Break

11.30 – 12.20  Ahmad Kefah / University of Baghdad
Role of Youth Teams in the Reconstruction
of the City of Mosul

12.20 – 13.30  Lunch Break

Panel 5  SYRIA

13.30 – 14.20  Liam Nicoll / Graduate Institute of International
and Development Studies, Geneva
Reconstructing Memory in Aleppo’s Old City

14.20 – 15.10  Zoya Masoud / Technische Universität Berlin
Rebuilding the Old City of Aleppo in a Coherent Way

15.10 – 15.30  Coffee Break

15.30 – 16.20  Majida Malo / Architect, IWlab
Informality for Reconstruction in Damascus —
A Possible Partnership

16.20 – 17.10  Mamoun Fansa / Friends of the Old City of Aleppo
Post-Conflict Analysis and Strategies for Reconstructing
the Old City of Aleppo: Socio-Political Deliberations

Panel 6  EXPERIENCES FROM THE BALKANS, CYPRUS,
AFGHANISTAN AND KASHMIR

17.10 – 18.00  Kai Voeckler / Urbanist, Offenbach
The Need for New Planning Strategies:
Experiences from the Balkans, Cyprus, and Afghanistan
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SATURDAY 01 DECEMBER // OIB

09.30 – 10.20  
Arshi Javid / Nehru University, India
Mapping Intimacy and Distance in a Kashmiri Neighborhood
Panel 7 LEBANON

10.20 – 11.10  
John Hanna / Technische Universiteit Delft
Neighbors under Fire: Community Relations in Lebanese War Literature

11.10 – 11.30  
Coffee Break
Panel 8 BEIRUT'S NEIGHBORHOODS

11.30 – 12.20  
Mona Fawaz, Nada Moumtaz / American University of Beirut
Neighborhoods as Propertied Landscapes: Lessons from Beirut's Reconstructions

12.20 – 13.10  
Eric Lob / Florida International University
The Promise: The Politicization of Post-War Reconstruction in Southern Beirut

13.10 – 14.30  
Lunch Break
Panel 9 CASES OF RECONSTRUCTION OF NEIGHBORHOODS BEYOND BEIRUT

14.30 – 15.20  
Howayda al-Harithy / American University of Beirut
Re-Constructing the Historic Neighborhood in Bint Jbeil after the 2006 War

15.20 – 16.10  
Diana Zeidan / EHESS, Paris
Power Dynamics in Reconstructing Peri-Urban Neighborhoods: The Case of South Lebanon

16.10 – 16.40  
Coffee Break

16.40 – 17.30  
WRAP-UP
Lessons for the Present and the Future