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Reckoning with God: Divine-Human Relations after the Arab Spring

The Orient-Institut Beirut
June 30 & July 1, 2022

Thursday, June 30

9:30-10:00 Opening remarks

10:00-11:30 Panel I: God in Crisis

- Saving Faith: Sociological Solutions & Islamic Reform at the End of Empire - **Micah A. Hughes** (Indiana University)
- God Forsaken: Divine Hope and Despair since the Islamic Revolution - **Alireza Doostdar** (University of Chicago)

11:30-12:00 Coffee break

12:00-13:30 Panel II: Between Here and the Hereafter

- The Occupation and the Other World - **Emanuel Schäublin** (ETH Zurich)
- Wasting Time is Worse than Death - **Hanna Berg** (The Graduate Institute Geneva)

13:30-15:30 Lunch break

15:30-17:30 Keynote Address

Can There Be a Godly Ethnography? Islamic Anthropology, Decolonization and the Ethnographic Stance - **Yasmin Moll** (University of Michigan)

18:00 Open garden reception

Friday, July 1

9:45-10:00 Concept Note

- Relations - **Birgit Schäbler** (Orient-Institut Beirut)

10:00-11:30 Panel III: God Lost and God Found

- Becoming through God: Relating to the Divine in Dubai - **Joud Alkorani** (Radboud University & Orient-Institut Beirut)
- Spiritual Gap and Sufism in Post-Revolutionary Egypt - **Khadija Embaby** (Independent)

11:30-12:00 Coffee break

12:00-13:30 Panel IV: Encountering God through the Other

- Sensing the Invisible: The Culture of Emotion and its Social Conditions in Contemporary Spiritual Practices in Lebanon - **Maike Neufend** (Freie Universität Berlin)
- A Monastic Barzakh: Eastern Christian and Muslim Encounters at the Limit - **Aaron F. Eldridge** (UC Berkeley)

13:30-15:00 Lunch break

15:00-16:30 Panel V: Relations, Human and Divine

- Xizzet: The Feeling of Being, Exposed - **Kamala Russell** (UCLA)
- "Orthodoxy as a Way of Life:" Social Ethos and Christian Practice in Times of Crisis - **Roxana Maria Arâș** (University of Michigan)

16:30-17:00 Closing remarks

19:00 Dinner