

THE INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED STUDIES
AT
THE HEBREW UNIVERSITY

NEW FRONTIERS IN ISLAMIC STUDIES

German- Israeli Summer School
Funded by the Albert-Einstein-Stiftung, Berlin

THE POLITICAL, SOCIAL AND INTELLECTUAL
HISTORY OF THE MAMLUK AND MONGOL
EMPIRES: A COMPARATIVE PERSPECTIVE

September 18-23, 2011

Directors: **Reuven Amitai** (The Hebrew University)
Sabine Schmidtke (Freie Universität Berlin)

PROGRAM

Sunday, September 18

17:30 *Reception at the IAS lobby*

19:00 **Judith Pfeiffer** (University of Oxford): *Keynote*
Why Study the Later Middle Period of Islamic History? Perspectives and Debates

Monday, September 19

9:00-10:30 **Reuven Amitai** (The Hebrew University)
Mamluks and Mongols: Political, Cultural and Military Parallels and Differences

10:30-11:00 *Coffee break*

11:00-12:30 **Patrick Wing** (Ghent University)
Mongols, Mamluks, and Long-Distance Trade (1200-1450)

12:30-14:00 *Lunch at the Wise cafeteria*

14:00-15:30 **Amalia Levanoni** (University of Haifa)
Mamluks and 'Ulama': A Static Symbiosis or a Process of Increasing Mamluk

Predominance

15:30-16:00 *Coffee break*

16:00-17:30 **Leigh Chipman** (The Hebrew University)
Food and Medicine between Mongols and Mamluks: The Case of Syrups

19:00 *Dinner at the Terasa Restaurant*

Tuesday, September 20

09:00-11:00 **Bilha Moor** (University of Haifa)
Illustrated Manuscripts from Mongol and Mamluk Courts

11:00-11:30 *Coffee break*

11:30-13:15 **Syrinx von Hees** (Oriental Institute, Beirut)
From the Wonders of Creation to the Theses on the Literarisation of Mamluk Historiography: The Reception of the Encyclopedia on Natural Sciences by Qazwini in Comparison

13:15-14:45 *Lunch at the Administration Building cafeteria*

14:45-17:00 Visit to Yad Vashem

19:00 *Dinner at Halvrit Restaurant*

Wednesday, September 21

09:00- 10:30 **Tzvi Langermann** (Bar-Ilan University)
Ibn Kammuna

10:30-11:00 *Coffee break*

11:00-12:30 **Livnat Holtzmann** (Bar-Ilan University)
Polemical Didactic Poems in Mamluk Cairo and Damascus

12:30-14:00 *Lunch at the Wise cafeteria*

14:00-15:30 **Sabine Schmidtke** (Freie Universität Berlin)
Patronage and Networks as Seen through Ijazat and Other Marginalia

15:30-16:00 *Coffee break*

16:00-17:30 **Heidrun Eichner** (University of Tübingen)
Conceptions of Kalam and Philosophy

19:00 *Dinner at the hotel*

Thursday, September 22

09:00-11:00	Kurt Franz (University of Halle) <i>Mental Maps in Arabic Geographies</i>
11:00-11:30	<i>Coffee break</i>
11:30-12:30	Keren Abbou-HersHKovits (independent scholar) <i>The Transfer of Knowledge and the Uses of the Past under the Mamluks: Medical Biography as a Case Study</i>
12:30-13:15	Kurt Franz (University of Halle) <i>Mamalik: Geographic Narratives and Social Space in Middle Islam</i>
13:15-14:45	<i>Lunch at the Administration Building cafeteria</i>
14:45-18:30	<u>Visit to the Old City of Jerusalem</u>
19:00	<i>Dinner at the Eucalyptus Restaurant</i>

Friday, September 23

Visit to Arsuf

19:00	<i>Dinner at he hotel</i>
-------	---------------------------