

The List of Speakers

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Location

Auditorium
Jacob-und-Wilhelm-Grimm-Zentrum
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Registration

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Departing from a broad understanding of ethics, this conference brings together the perspectives of various disciplines within the Islamic tradition, ranging from systematic theology, law and philosophy to adab literature. In the first section, the conference will debate recent contributions on the inner development of these traditions as well as the entanglement between them, for example focussing on the new insights on interdependencies between Kalām and Uṣūl al-fiqh. Of particular interest is how Muslim scholars tried to connect the universality of moral claims with the particularity of Islamic revelation and how these attempts can be interpreted.

In the second section, reflecting on implications for academic Islamic theology today, the conference will ask how these premodern traditions can be fruitfully engaged with when focussing on the exemplary area of sexual ethics. Questions on shifting gender relations, self-determination and sexual identities are intensely debated and challenge traditional views about marriage, sexual intercourse and gender. While a crucial question remains how to generally approach moral questions within a theological framework, also the conception of contemporary Islamic ethics needs to be discussed.

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Thursday, 28.07.2022

10:00	Opening (Chair: Serdar Kurnaz) Mira Sievers: Opening words Bekim Agai: Welcome address (AIWG)
10:30	Keynote (Chair: Rana Alsoufi) Kevin Reinhart: What Counts as Islamic Ethics?
11:30	Refreshments
12:00	Ethics and Rationality (Chair: Bekim Agai) Ayman Shihadeh: Ethical Rationalisms in Premodern Islamic Thought Mira Sievers: A case for moral universalism? Negotiating the perspective of Islamic Ethics
13:30	Lunch break

15:00	Ethics and Anthropology (Chair: Mohammed Gharaibeh) Raid Al-Daghistani: Sufism as a Way of Iḥsān: Ethical Aspects of Islamic Mysticism Selma Schwarz: Between intersexuality and khunthā: approaching sexual ethics in Islamic theology
16:30	Refreshments
17:00	Gender, Ethics and Islam (Chair: Rana Alsoufi) Zahra Ayubi: Ways of Knowing and Refinement: Studying the Category of Gender in Islamic Ethics Idris Nassery: It's a Man's World: Gender, Sex and Ethics from a Ghazalian Perspective
19:00	Dinner

Friday, 29.07.2022

09:00	Ethics of Marriage I (Chair: Serdar Kurnaz) Marion Holmes Katz: Falsafa, Fiqh, and the Function of Marriage in the Work of al-Mawardi (d. 450/1058) and al-Sarakhsi (d. 483/1090) Bahattin Akyol: Ethics of marriage and its motives: A contextualising approach
10:30	Refreshments

11:00	Ethics of Marriage II (Chair: Rana Alsoufi) Fatma Ayyıldız: Ethical reflections on polygamy from an Islamic perspective Mona Feise-Nasr: Situating Intimate Ethics in Mixed- Faith Relationships–Muslim Women's Accounts on Agency and Challenges
12:30	Lunch break Possibility for prayer
14:30	Queer-Ethics (Chair: Nimet Şeker) Abdul Rahman Mustafa: Rebellious Theologies and Ethical Failures: Queer Muslim Studies Recon- sidered Mehrddad Alipour: Homosexuality in the Prospect of Before Revelation
16:00	Refreshments
16:30	Ethics of "solo sex" (Chair: Mehrddad Alipour) Omar Anchassi: The Churning in the Flogging of 'Umayra: on the Ethics of Masturbation in Islamic Law Mohammed Ghaly: Sexual Ethics in the Age of Artificial Intelligence: Approaching Sexbots from an Islamic Perspective
18:00	Concluding session (Chair: Rana Alsoufi, Mira Sievers, Serdar Kurnaz) Mansoorah Khalilizand Conference observer
18:30	End of conference