

Le Centre d' Études Maghrébines à Tunis (CEMAT) and The American Institute for Maghrib Studies (AIMS) are pleased to announce a Call for Proposals for their Symposium on: " Early Hafsids Tunisia – Capital of the Caliphate."

February 13-14-15, 2018.



Conveners: Dr. Allen Fromherz (AIMS President), Dr. Laryssa Chomiak (CEMAT Director) and Dr. Meriem Guetat (CEMAT Assistant Director)

The purpose of this symposium:

To study the history the Hafsids Caliphate under Muhammad I al Mustansir.

To further research on the social, cultural and religious diversity of Tunisia under the Hafsids Caliphate.

To focus on North African and Hafsids sources and what they reveal about the North African perspective on this crucial period of Tunisia history and the history of the Central Mediterranean.

We encourage studies derived from historical chronologies and legal sources as well as art, archaeology and architectural history. While all scholars are welcome, we especially welcome submissions from North African graduate students at the dissertation stage and early-career scholars. Please submit an abstract of your paper by **January 2, 2018** to Dr. Allen Fromherz at fromherz@gsu.edu or ajfromherz@gmail.com. We will email decisions by January 5. Although papers can be presented in English, French and Arabic, all participants will be asked to provide a copy of their paper (translated to English) for submission to JNAS (Journal of North African Studies) or possibly a separate edited volume by Edinburgh University Press. Due to the tight schedule, working papers or works in progress will be allowed. That said, original papers, not previous work or work that is already under contract for publication, will be accepted and participants will be expected to submit their finalized work for publication at a later date to be determined at the Symposium. Participants will be asked to allow themselves to be recorded as a podcast for use by CEMAT and AIMS. Expenses in Tunisia will be covered for accepted applications. In some instances, especially in the case of North African scholars, we will be able to cover cost of flight to Tunisia. Please indicate your need for funding along with your abstract and also the location of the start of your flight to Tunisia.

Preliminary Schedule:

February 13, 2018: Symposium Day 1

February 14, 2018: Symposium Day 2

February 14, 2018: Optional Excursion to Zaghouane