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CEMAT AFFILIATED RESEARCHERS IN TUNISIA: 1999-2000

Roger Allen, U. Pennsylvania, *The Particularity of the Arabic Short Story in the Maghrib* (AIMS grant: November 1999-January 2000)

Dorian Bell, Property Out of Time: Land Tenure in Late 19th century Tunisia and the Theory of Georges Bataille (Fulbright grant: until August 2000)

Jonathan Brockopp, Bard College, *The Early Maliki School in Egypt and North Africa: The Legacy of Abd Allah b. Abd al-Hakim* (Fulbright grant: February-June 2000)

L. Carl Brown, Princeton U., *The International Politics of the Near East & North Africa from the Beginning of the Eastern Question to the Present* (spring 2000)

Melani Cammett, U. California at Berkeley, *The Ongoing Process of Economic and Sociopolitical Transition in Tunisia and Morocco* (AIMS grant: March-October 2000)

Denis Keyes Felios, U. California at Berkeley, Fulbright lecturer at ISL, *The Gentle Art of Resistance: The Tunisian Story of Sabra and Chaucer's Griselda* (Fulbright grant: January-June 2000)

Angel Foster, Oxford U., Women's Health Care in Tunisia (Rhodes Scholar: October 1999)

Adel S. Gamal, U. Arizona, *Edition and Critical Study of a 13th century Arabic Literary Text* (Fulbright grant: December 1999)

Mabel Khawaja, Hampton U., Fulbright lecturer at U.Tunis I, 9 avril, *Aristotelian Dialogics of Reader-Response on Cross-Cultural Rhethoric* (Fulbright grant: until July 2000)

Maureen Kiernan, Cleveland Institute of Art, Fulbright lecturer at U. Tunis I, Manouba, *Cinema in North Africa* (Fulbright grant: until January 2000)

Ellen McLarney, Columbia U., Language and Art Forms: Expressing Tunisian National Identity (Fulbright grant: February-September 2000)

Thomas Morton, U. Pennsylvania, *Peripheral Center: Meninx and the Impact of Luxury* (Fulbright grant: until July 2000)

Jody Nachtwey, U. Wisconsin, Milwaukee, *The Impact of Economic Liberal Reforms on the Status of Women in North Africa* (AIMS grant: September-November 1999)

Karen Nutt, U. California at Berkeley, The North African Gundi in Tunisia (January-June 2000)

Richard Pennell, U. Melbourne, The Paolo Xuereb Affair in 1843-44 (November-December 1999)

Anne Rasmussen, U. Copenhagen, *Women Heads of Household in a Tunisian Urban Setting* (Danish Development Institute grant: until June 2000)

Michael Sells, Haverford College, *Classical and Modern Legacy of Ibn 'Arabi in Morocco, Tunisia and Syria* (spring 2000)

Ranjit Singh, U. Virginia, *The Origins of Pacts: Regimes, Opposition and Political Liberalization in the Middle East* (SSRC grant: May-June 2000)

Kathryn Stapley, Oxford U., Tunisian Arabic Song: A Sociolinguistic Study (British Academy grant: April-May 2000)

Thomas Turner, U. Tunis III, Political Development in Africa (to summer 2000)

Anita Weiss, U. Oregon, Islam, Gender and Human Rights in Pakistan and Tunisia: State Responses to International Agreements (CAORC grant: September 1999)

Brannon Wheeler, U. Washington, *Text in Context: Unpublished North African Commentaries on the Hanafi Mukhtasar of Al-Quduri* (AIMS grant: spring 2000)

Deborah Wheeler, U. Washington, Technology and Society in North Africa (March-June 2000)

CEMAT LECTURES: AUTUMN 1999

OCTOBER

Thomas Morton, lecture/ tour of Carthage, *Carthago Delenda Est:* Roman Carthage Angel Foster, La matrone (*qabla 'arbi*) dans le sud tunisien: son rôle continu dans la santé des femmes

NOVEMBER

Thomas Morton, lecture/tour of Carthage, Punic Carthage: The Residential Quarter and the Tophet Sanctuary

DECEMBER

Roger Allen, *Struggle in the Market Place: The Global Status of the Arabic Novel* (in Arabic) **Roger Allen, John Davison, Adel Gamal**, roundtable discussion, *Teaching Arabic in the U.S.*

GRANT TO TUNISIAN RESEARCHER

CEMAT made it possible for **Samira Mechri** of the Tunisian Higher Institute of Languages (ISLT) to travel to Tangier in July to consult the library of the Tangier American Legation Museum (TALM) in connection with research concerning *Anglo-American Travel Writing and Popular Fiction*. While there she gave two talks to American students studying Arabic in Tangier on an AIMS organized summer language program. Her grant was from the American Tunisian Association. CEMAT/AIMS is in the process of initiating a small grants program which would enable Maghribi scholars to do research within the Maghrib.

AIMS ANNUAL COLLOQUIUM: 1-3 JUNE 2000, IN TUNIS

The focus of the forthcoming AIMS international conference will be:

Preparing Young North Africans for the 21st Century: The Role of Education.

The conference will be held at the Oriental Palace Hotel. A subsequent cross-national research project, to be carried out under AIMS auspices, is planned.

AIMS MEMBERSHIP: THE JOURNAL OF NORTH AFRICAN STUDIES

Membership in AIMS includes a subscription to the journal (JNAS) and the AIMS Newsletter. For information about membership contact CEMAT or Becky Schulthies <u>bls6@email.byu.edu</u>. JNAS is interested in previously unpublished research for publication in English. Contact John Entelis <u>entelis@fordham.edu</u>.

Those publishing books on North Africa should send review copies to Susan Miller sgmiller@fas.harvard.edu

NEWS OF THE MIDDLE EAST STUDIES ASSOCIATION (MESA)

Next year's annual meetings of MESA will be held in Orlando, Florida, from 16-19 November 2000, on the theme of *Representations of the Middle East*. Participants are encouraged to consider representations of the Middle East over time and within and beyond the region. It is hoped that the theme will prompt explorations of representations, broadly defined, from many disciplinary and interdisciplinary points of view. For example, how has the Middle East appeared in the visual arts and architecture, as well as in a wide variety of verbal expressions, ranging from literary works to political rhetoric? What have been the varying purposes and

consequences of representations of the Middle East in academic, popular, journalistic, and governmental constructions?

Participation in the MESA meeting is restricted to MESA members. Visiting foreign scholars may request an exemption from membership payment, but exemptions are not automatic. All participants must pre-register for the conference when they submit a proposal. **Proposals must arrive at the Secretariat of MESA in Arizona by Tuesday, 15 February 2000, and conform to the guidelines**. **Faxes and e-mailed proposals will not be accepted**. LATE PROPOSALS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED. For further information, contact CEMAT.

The 1999 MESA meetings were held in Washington, D.C. from 19-22 November 1999. Among papers presented at panels which dealt with the Maghrib, were the following:

NORTH AFRICA/EGYPT: THE VISUAL, THE POPULAR, THE POPULACE

Kevin Dwyer, Tunis, Current Trends in Moroccan and Tunisian Cinema

Sandra Gayle Carter, U. Texas at Austin, Polarity to Popularity: The Experience of Moroccan Cinema

Jenny Nelson, Ohio U., Imagining the Maghreb: A Sociosemiotic Study of Contemporary Moroccan Postcards

CO-OPERATIVE PERSPECTIVES ON GLOBALIZATION, POLITICAL LIBERALIZATION, AND IDENTITY

Marcie Patton, Fairfield U., Capitalist Perspectives on Globalization in Turkey and Morocco

SUFI REALIZATIONS: DOCTRINE AND CONTEXT

David Gutelius, Johns Hopkins U., *Muslim Economics and Sufi Interpretation: Saharan Market Strategies among the Nasiriyya, Qadiriyya, and Tijaniyya Sufi Brotherhoods, 1700-1850*

WRITING IDENTITIES IN NORTH AFRICA

Michael Toler, Binghamton U., Towards an Ethics of Translation: The North African Novel in English

Joshua Schreier, New York U., Civilizing the Ungrateful: Algerian Jews and French Colonialism

Liat Kozma, Tel Aviv U., Writing Women into Moroccan National History

Deborah Kapchan, U. Texas at Austin, Translating Art and Ideology in Morocco

THE ISLAMIC ETHICS OF LIFE: KILLING AND SAVING

Jonathan E. Brockopp, Bard College, The 'Good Death' in Islamic Theology and Law

Donna Lee Bowen, Brigham Young U., An Examination of Muslim Ethics Regarding Abortion

ISSUES IN ISLAMIC MODERNISM

Sahar Bazzaz, Harvard U., The Trial of Muhammad al-Kattani: Heresy and Politics in 19th c. Fez

FERGUSON (1959): LOOKING BACK, LOOKING FORWARD

Keith Walters, U. Texas at Austin, Fergy's Prescience: The Changing Nature of Diglossia in Tunisia

CITIES, LAND, AND THE MILITARY IN MEDIEVAL ISLAM

Said Ennahid, Arizona State U., Restricted Space in the Urbanism of Medieval Fes

WRITING, VOCABULARY AND LANGUAGE IN THE ISLAMIC WORLD

Françoise Lorcerie, CNRS, Literate Knowledge in Peasant Society in the Western Rif: Variations on the Written, Oral, Learned and Illiterate Practitioners, the Religious Orthodox and the 'Maraboutic'

IS IT GOOD TO HAVE A KING?: MONARCHY AND DEMOCRATIZATION IN THE ARAB WORLD

Catherine Sweet, UCLA, *Help or Hindrance?: The Institution of the Monarchy and Morocco's Transition to Democracy*

ISLAM IN THE WEST: THE ISSUE OF PLURALISM

Jocelyne Cesari, Harvard and Columbia U., Muslims in France

GENDER AND ISLAM IN THE EUROPEAN DIASPORA: IDENTITIES AND TRADITIONS IN TRANSITION

Regine Penitsch, Free U. Berlin, Reflections on Religious Identity among Female Moroccan Students in Berlin

Almut Riedel, Free U. Berlin, *The Integration of Marginalized French by North Africans in Parisian Suburbs: A Microsociological and Linguistic Approach*

THE POLITICS OF INCLUSION AND EXCLUSION IN THE MAGHRIB (Sponsored by AIMS)

Mark Tessler, U. Arizona, The Influence of Islam on Attitudes toward Governance and Democracy in Morocco and Algeria

Mounira Charrad, U. Pittsburgh, *Nation-state, Citizenship and Gender: Inclusion versus Exclusion in Tunisia and Morocco*

Yahia Zoubir, American Grad. School Intl. Management-Thunderbird, *The Institutionalization Process in Algeria: The Politics of Inclusion and Exclusion*

Azzedine Layachi, St. John's U., Reforms and the Politics of Inclusion in the Maghrib

LINKING GENDER NORMS, POWER AND DEMOGRAPHIC PATTERNS

Georges Sabagh, UCLA, Do Women's Islamic Religious Behavior and Attitudes Influence Their Reproductive Behavior?: The Case of Algeria and Morocco

DEFINING AND REDEFINING NATIONAL IDENTITIES IN THE MIDDLE EAST

Judith Ronen, The Dayan Center, *How Does Qadhdhafi Remain in Power? OR, How Did Qadhdhafi Survive the International Sanctions?*

Youcef Bouandel, U. Lincolnshire & Humberside, *Political Parties and the Transition from Authoritarianism: The Case of Algeria*

CIVIL SOCIETY, ISLAM, AND DEMOCRACY: TURKEY, IRAN, NORTH AFRICA

Val Moghadam, Illinois State U., Feminism and Citizenship in Iran, Turkey, and North Africa

GENDERING MEDICINE FROM THE BLACK SEA TO THE MAGHREB

Nancy Gallagher, U. California, Santa Barbara, *Approaches to Medicine and Gender in the Middle East and North Africa*

Suzanne Stimler, Georgetown U., Colonizing Childbirth: French Public Health and Traditional Midwifery in Protectorate Morocco

UPCOMING CONFERENCES, COLLOQUIA

1-4 March, 2000: *Les communautés méditerranéennes de Tunisie*. Organized by Faculté des Lettres de Manouba in collaboration with University of Toulouse Le Mirail.

15-18 March, 2000: *Méditerranée et Méditerranéen: sociabilité, représentation*. Organized by Faculté des Sciences Humaines et Sociales, Tunis, with Duke University.

22-26 March, 2000: *First Mediterranean Social and Political Research Meeting*. Robert Schuman Centre, European University Institute, Florence, Italy.

20-22 April, 2000: *Visions of the Wretched: Homage to Frantz Fanon*. Organized by English Department Seminars (EDS). To be held at Faculté des Lettres de Manouba.

28-30 April, 2000: The Fourth Maghreb ESP (English for Specific Purposes) Conference. *ESP Teacher Training*. Agadir, Morocco. Deadline for proposals: **15 February**, 2000. Contact Abdelkrim Raddadi, Dar America: phone 212-2-22-14-60/ fax 212-2-29-91-36. E-mail: <u>usisic@mtds.com</u>

28 May-3 June, 2000: *Congrès Mondial du Conseil international d'études francophones* (CIEF – headquarters Albany, NY). El Mouradi Palace, Sousse. <u>http://www.ucs.usl.edu/cief</u>

27 August-1 September, 2000: 36th International Congress of Asian and North African Studies. Les études orientales et asiatiques face à la mondialisation: patrimoine et modernité – enjeux et défis. Montreal, Canada. http://www.bcoc.umontreal.ca

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