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**\* in alphabetical order**





### **Scientific Studies Society (İLEM)**

İLEM was founded in 2002 with a view to train and support scientists and intellectuals who are expected to suggest encompassing solutions for those problems that have been taking place over two centuries. Studies within İLEM are planned with a comparative and interdisciplinary approach to assist the training of sapient and sagacious scholars who understand zeitgeist and main dynamics of their own civilization. With this regard, one of the main objectives of İLEM is conducting scientific research to suggest solutions for the questions of humanity by laying a ground for training scientists who preserve our tradition of science. İLEM hopes its scientific studies to inspire varied groups in Turkey and abroad.



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### **Presidency for Turks Abroad and Related Communities (YTB)**

YTB is established as a public institution under the Prime Ministry. After its establishment, Turkey's relations with its citizens living in different parts of the world, as well as with kin communities with whom Turkish people share a common cultural and historic heritage, have been firmly restructured on a more institutional foundation. Of its various responsibilities, the Presidency's coordination responsibilities include defining strategies to meet the needs of related communities and Turkish citizens living abroad, and implementing steps in accordance with the planned strategies.



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### **Republic of Turkey Prime Ministry, Office of Public Diplomacy (KDK)**

KDK was established on January 30th 2010 precisely to voice what it has to say to the world and to share its story. The Office, founded by the mandate of the Prime Ministry, understands its mission to be a multi-dimensional and multi-faceted dialogue. KDK aims to open up new communication lines with diverse groups and positions, create an effective network, and enable an enriched discussion of New Turkey's message to the world. To this end, the Office launches various initiatives, domestically and internationally, ranging from discussion panels at universities to joint programs on public diplomacy and Turkey's foreign policy; from meetings with national and international media to workshops with think tanks; from international student programs to promotional programs on Turkey's cultural heritage. KDK aims foster the trust Turkey gained with its diverse and dynamic human resources and its pluralist and multidimensional vision and contribute to regional and global stability.





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Scientific Studies Society (ILEM) is willing to share its own intellectual experience with academics, researchers and intellectuals from different geographies and to benefit from their experiences as well. To achieve this aim, 2nd International Istanbul Summer School is organized by ILEM with the support of T. R. Presidency for Turks Abroad and Related Communities and The Office of Public Diplomacy. The program will be hosted by the 29 Mayıs University.

This year's main theme is The State and Society in Muslim World. Under this title, state and society relations is critically examined. In this context, with the lectures, the fact of state, the dimensions of state perception in Muslim World and the roots of Islamic state concept that emerged in Muslim World during a century is being considered and discussed.

The subjects are planned to be presented and discussed within the summer school:

- Dynamics and Fundamentals of Islamic State
- Global Politics and Muslim World
- Religion- Politics Relation in Muslim World
- Global Political Economy and Muslim World
- Alternative Approaches to Global Order
- Islamic Movements in Opposition and Governance
- The Social Dimensions of Transformation and New Issues

Besides the lectures, within the frame of the main theme of the program, there are three workshops which contain presentations and debates to provide the content and aim of the school. Students will also visit the historical places and academic foundations in the Istanbul. This year over 25 country 50 graduated students is participating in the program.



# Keynote Address

## The Crisis of Social Sciences in the Muslim World

**Sari Hanafi**

*American University of Beirut*

In this keynote lecture the “The Crisis of Social Sciences in the Muslim World” will be questioned. The crisis of social science in the Muslim world does not stem from its epistemological underpinnings – related to the hegemony of the western [social science] theories – but from structural problems related to marginalization of the local production of knowledge and from legitimacy problems vis-a-vis religious knowledge. In this lecture Hanafi will focus a dependency path in the Islamic World that he named “publish globally and perish locally vs. publish locally and perish globally.” According to him the ‘dependency path’ is still very strong, though with some exceptions.

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Sari Hanafi is currently a Professor of Sociology at the American University of Beirut and editor of *Idafat: the Arab Journal of Sociology* (Arabic). He is also a member of the Executive Bureau of the International Association of Sociology and the Arab Council of Social Science. He holds a Ph. D. in Sociology from the Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales-Paris, where he wrote his thesis entitled “Les ingénieurs en Syrie. Modernisation, technobureaucratie et identité,” (1994). He has served as a visiting professor at the University of Poitiers and Migrintern (France), University of Bologna and Ravenna (Italy) and visiting fellow in CMI (Bergen-Norway). Hanafi was also the former Director of the Palestinian Refugee and Diaspora Centre (Shaml) from 2000-2004 and a former senior research at the Cairo-based French research center, Centre d'études et de documentation économique juridique et sociale (CEDEJ) from 1994-2000. He is the author of numerous journal articles and book chapters on the political and economic sociology of the Palestinian diaspora and refugees; sociology of migration; transnationalism; politics of scientific research; civil society and elite formation and transitional justice. Among his recent books are: *The Power of Inclusive Exclusion: Anatomy of Israeli Rule in The Occupied Palestinian Territories* (Edited with A. Ophir & M. Givoni, 2009) (English and Arabic) (New York: Zone Book; Beirut: CAUS), *The Emergence of A Palestinian Globalized Elite: Donors, International Organizations and Local NGOs* (Edited with L. Taber, 2005) (Arabic and English) and *Pouvoir et associations dans le monde arabe* (Edited with S. Bennéfissa, 2002) (Paris: CNRS).



# The Islamic State and the Crises of the Political

**Wael B. Hallaq**  
Columbia University

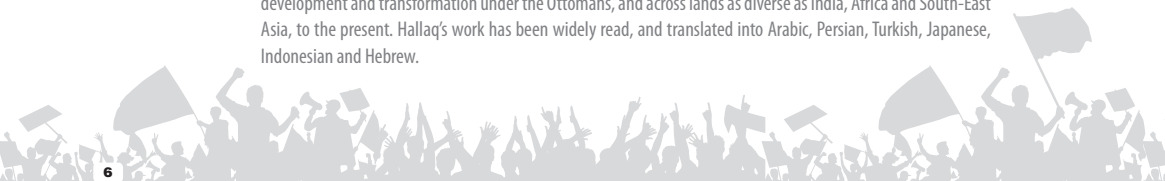
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The seminar is intended as a general treatment of the concept of the modern state within the larger theoretical framework in the humanities and the social sciences. It will then address the connections between this concept and Islamist ideology and political activity. We shall roughly follow the plan of the book, *The Impossible State*, as it is revealed in its table of contents, though expansions on its themes will be made.

1. A preliminary discussion of the Enlightenment concept of reason, autonomy, morality, theory of progress, nostalgia, etc.
2. What is the modern state, and how is it different from pre--modern "states"?
3. A Return to the moral. How is modern morality different from pre--modern moralities? Is/Ought distinction.
4. The citizen as a moral agent and as the subject of the modern state. Sacrifice and modern education.
5. The technologies of the self.
6. Morality, Capitalism and Islamic Economics: A Basic Introduction
7. The Quran as a political and moral constitution. Orientalism interrogated.
8. General conclusions and final discussion.

Wael B. Hallaq is a scholar of Islamic law and Islamic intellectual history. His teaching and research deal with the problematic epistemic ruptures generated by the onset of modernity and the socio-politico-historical forces subsumed by it; with the intellectual history of Orientalism and the repercussions of Orientalist paradigms in later scholarship and in Islamic legal studies as a whole; and with the synchronic and diachronic development of Islamic traditions of logic, legal theory, and substantive law and the interdependent systems within these traditions. Hallaq's writings have explored the structural dynamics of legal change in pre-modern law, and have recently been examining the centrality of moral theory to understanding the history of Islamic law. His books include *Ibn Taymiyya Against the Greek Logicians* (1993); *A History of Islamic Legal Theories: An Introduction to Sunni Usul al-fiqh* (1997); *Authority, Continuity and Change in Islamic Law* (2001); and *An Introduction to Islamic Law* (2009). His latest work, *Shari'a: Theory, Practice, Transformations* (2009) examines the doctrines and practices of Islamic law within the context of its history, from its beginnings in seventh-century Arabia, through its development and transformation under the Ottomans, and across lands as diverse as India, Africa and South-East Asia, to the present. Hallaq's work has been widely read, and translated into Arabic, Persian, Turkish, Japanese, Indonesian and Hebrew.



# Islam and Democracy

**Muqtadar Khan**

*University of Delaware*

*Philosophical and Theoretical Challenges and Textual Opportunities:*

This lecture will cover the philosophical gap between the Democracy as system of governance, as we know it today and Islam as Muslims interpret it today. It will examine the debate those who believe that Islam and democracy as compatible and those who see Islam as undemocratic. It will specially discuss Islamic sources that can advance a democratic Islam such as the constitution of Medina and Quranic verses that can be deployed in constructing an Islamic democracy.

*Islamism and the Problem of Democratic Governance:*

This lecture will begin by discussing the various challenges that plague the Muslim World – legitimacy, identity, authenticity and good governance. Subsequently in the light of the fall of the Morsi government in Egypt, the lecture shall explore the pathways and transitions of democracy and its pitfalls in the contemporary Muslim World.

Muqtadar Khan, PhD (Georgetown University, 2000) joined the Department in 2005. His areas of interest are Politics of the Middle East and South Asia, Political Islam, Islamic Political Thought and American Foreign Policy in the Muslim World. Professor Khan teaches courses on Arab and Middle Eastern Politics, Politics of Development, Globalization, and Islam in World Affairs. His recent publications includes: "Democracy is Necessary: The Political Philosophy of Islamic Governance", *The Roundtable*, Vol. 9 Issue 2, Fall 2010. "Three Dimension of the Emerging Political Philosophy of Islam," in Shahram Akberzadeh, ed., *Handbook of Political Islam*, New York: Routledge, 2010. *Debating Moderate Islam: The Geopolitics of Islam and the West* (University of Utah Press, August 2007). *Islamic Democratic Discourse: Theory, Debates and Philosophical Perspectives* (Lexington Books, October 2006).

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# Contemporary Muslim Political Thought: The Ethical Dimension

**H. İbrahim Yenigün**

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Most accounts of the contemporary Muslim political thought and Islamism study how Islamic creed bears out certain political projects to Islamicize the society and the state. This lecture will take on a different approach and examine their ethical dimension. The participants will probe and critically analyze the explicit or the implicit ethical perspectives in the key texts of contemporary Muslim political thought. How the thinkers' ethical notions cohere with their conceptions of Islamic creed and Islamic politics will be of crucial concern in these discussions aside from the merits of these ethical projects in and of themselves. Finally, a normative investigation on reconceiving Islamism first and foremost as an ethical project will follow.

Halil İbrahim Yenigün is Assistant Professor of Political Theory in the Department of International Relations at Istanbul Commerce University. He received his Ph.D. in August 2013 from the University of Virginia's (UVA) political theory program with his dissertation titled, *The Political Ontology of Islamic Democracy: An Ontological Narrative of Contemporary Muslim Political Thought*. Previously he served as the Middle East Relations Officer at the United Cities and Local Government's Middle East and West Asia branch (UCLG-MEWA) in 2011. From 2006 to 2010 he was the managing editor of the *American Journal of Islamic Social Sciences (AJISS)*. He spent the 2007-2008 academic year as a Malone & Gallatin research fellow in the Middle Eastern Studies Center at American University in Cairo (AUC). Yenigün has published articles, book reviews, and opinion pieces in journals such as *İnsan ve Toplum (People & Society)*, *Divan*, *The Virginia Quarterly Review (VQR)*, and *AJISS*. His research is focused on political ontology, political theology, radical democracy, and comparative political theory with a specific focus on the contemporary Muslim political thought. His research interests also include the current religiously oriented youth movements in Turkey and Egypt. Yenigün is also involved in several NGOs that work on human rights, social justice issues, and free circulation of ideas.





# The Future of Islamic State

**Abdülvahap El Efendi**

*University of Westminster*

A critique of modern Islamic political thought on the 'state', this lecture takes the form of a three-part dialogue with the West, with Islamic tradition and with 20th-century Muslim thinkers. The author discusses the divide between Islamic values and the basic principles which guide Western political thought. He traces the development of Muslim constitutional practice and considers the current debate on the nature of and desirability for an 'Islamic state'. He separates the problems that are internally derived from the by-products of Western culture. Dr El-Affendi argues that if Islamic values were brought to bear internationally, the entrenched dogmas of Western political thought as much as both the tradition-bound and modernist trends of Muslim thinking would have to be revised.

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El-Efendi is a political scientist and writer who studied at the Universities of Khartoum, Wales and Reading. His published books include: "Turabi's Revolution: Islam and Power in Sudan", "Revolution and Political Reform in Sudan", "Rethinking Islam and Modernity", "For a State of Peace: Conflict and the Future of Democracy in Sudan" and "The Conquest of Muslim Hearts and Minds: Perspectives on U.S. Reform and Public Diplomacy Strategies". In 2004, he was a member of the core team of authors of the 2004 Arab Human Development Report: Towards Freedom in the Arab World" and was a member of advisory board. He is also co-author of the report: Contextualising Islam in Britain: Exploratory Perspectives. He has articles and papers published in numerous leading magazines and journals including 'The International Journal of Middle Eastern Studies', 'African Affairs', 'Journal of International Affairs', 'Encounter', 'The Muslim World', 'Journal of Intervention and Statebuilding', 'Harvard Middle Eastern and Islamic Review' and 'Contemporary Arab Affairs'. He was given the Muslim News Allama Iqbal award for Creativity in Islamic Thought in 2006. In 2009, he was awarded an ESRC Fellowship for his contributions to the 'Global Uncertainties Program and selected as a member of British Muslims and Islamophobia Commission.



# The Nation State and Beyond

**Moderator:** Murat Çemrek, Necmettin Erbakan University

This workshop will criticize nation-state fact and its results in a nation-state based international system. The papers which will be presented within the workshop, will inquiry problematical dimensions of nation-state centric World and World politics perception. The main question of the workshop is how to cope with nation-state or sovereign state based World system. The possibility of a new World order without nation-states or sovereign states and alternative approaches to this dominant paradigm of international politics will be discussed in details through paper presentations.

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## Social and Political Change in Muslim World

**Moderators:** Lutfi Sunar, Istanbul University / M. Hüseyin Mercan, Erciyes University / Michelangelo Guida, 29 Mayıs University

This workshop will focus on the political and social structure and transformation theme in the Islamic world. Commencement of the evaluation of the global politics within a new context after the September 11 attacks and the change and transformation problematic remaining seriously on the agenda with the civil rebellions encountered in the Arabic countries arise significant questions regarding the transformation in the political attitude and political structure within the Islamic world. Within this context, the participants to be included within this workshop will perform discussions on subjects regarding the grounds, dynamics and results of the political transformation.

## The State and Economy in Muslim World

**Moderators:** Necmettin Kızılkaya, Istanbul University

The economic affairs of the Islamic world will be mainly addressed within the scope of this workshop. The economic change, transformation and developments will be examined within the scope of its relation to politics particularly within the scope of the recent structural changes in the political arena and the priorities of the global system. Field-based studies devoted to the country and region as well as theoretical studies on economy politics area will also be opened up to presentations and discussions.



## PROGRAM

### August 23, 2014 SATURDAY

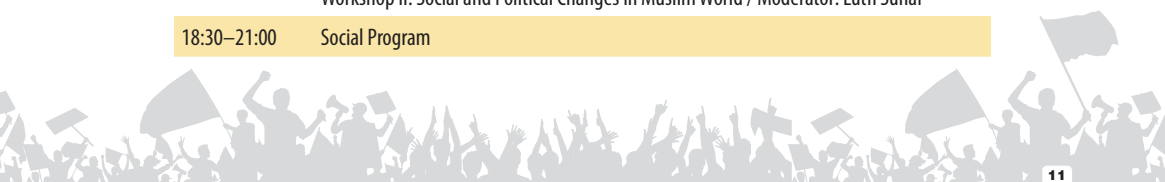
10:00–10:30	Welcome Speeches: Kudret Bülbül, YTB; Lutfi Sunar, ILEM
10:30–11:30	Keynote Lecture: The Crisis of Social Science in the Muslim World / Sari Hanafi
11:30–13:30	Lunch
13:30–15:00	Lecture: Islam and Democracy: Philosophical and theoretical challenges and Textual Opportunities / Muqtedar Khan
15:00–15:30	Coffe Break
15:30–17:00	Lecture: Islam and Democracy: Philosophical and theoretical challenges and Textual Opportunities / Muqtedar Khan

### August 24, 2014 SUNDAY

09:00–10:30	Lecture: Islamism and the Problem of Democratic Governance / Muqtedar Khan
10:30–11:00	Coffe Break
11:00–12:30	Lecture: Islamism and the Problem of Democratic Governance / Muqtedar Khan
12:30–14:00	Lunch
14:00 –15:30	Workshop I: The Nation State and Beyond / Moderator: Murat Cemrek Workshop II: Social and Political Changes in Muslim World / Moderator: Lutfi Sunar
15:30–16:00	Coffe Break
16:00 –17:30	Workshop I: The Nation State and Beyond / Moderator: Murat Cemrek Workshop II: Social and Political Changes in Muslim World / Moderator: Lutfi Sunar
18:30–21:00	Social Program: Uskudar Tour

### August 25, 2014 MONDAY

09:00–10:30	Lecture: Contemporary Muslim Political Thought: The Ethical Dimension / H. İbrahim Yenigün
10:30–11:00	Coffe Break
11:00–12:30	Lecture: Contemporary Muslim Political Thought: The Ethical Dimension / H. İbrahim Yenigün
12:30–14:00	Lunch
14:00 –15:30	Workshop I: The Nation State and Beyond / Moderator: Murat Cemrek Workshop II: Social and Political Changes in Muslim World / Moderator: Lutfi Sunar
15:30–16:00	Coffe Break
16:00 –17:30	Workshop I: The Nation State and Beyond / Moderator: Murat Cemrek Workshop II: Social and Political Changes in Muslim World / Moderator: Lutfi Sunar
18:30–21:00	Social Program



## August 26, 2014 TUESDAY

09:00–10:45	Workshop II: Social and Political Changes in Muslim World / Moderator: M. Hüseyin Mercan
10:45–11:15	Coffe Break
11:15–13:00	Workshop II: Social and Political Changes in Muslim World / Moderator: M. Hüseyin Mercan
13:00–14:00	Lunch
14:00–21:00	Social Program: Historical Peninsula Tour

## August 27, 2014 WEDNESDAY

09:00–10:30	Lecture: The Islamic State and the Crises of the Political / Wael B. Hallaq
10:30–11:00	Coffe Break
11:00–12:30	Lecture: The Islamic State and the Crises of the Political / Wael B. Hallaq
12:30–14:00	Lunch
14:00–15:30	Workshop III: The State and Economy in Muslim World / Moderator: Necmettin Kızılkaya
15:30–16:00	Coffe Break
16:00–17:30	Workshop III: The State and Economy in Muslim World / Moderator: Necmettin Kızılkaya
18:00–20:00	Social Program: Bosphorus Cruise Tour

## August 28, 2014 THURSDAY

09:00–10:30	Lecture: The Islamic State and the Crises of the Political / Wael B. Hallaq
10:30–11:00	Coffe Break
11:00–12:30	Lecture: The Islamic State and the Crises of the Political / Wael B. Hallaq
12:30–14:00	Lunch
14:00–15:30	Workshop II: Social and Political Changes in Muslim World / Moderator: Michelangelo Guida
15:30–16:00	Coffe Break
16:00–17:30	Workshop II: Social and Political Changes in Muslim World / Moderator: Michelangelo Guida

## August 29, 2014 FRIDAY

09:00–10:30	Lecture: The Future of Islamic State / Abdülvahap El Efendi
10:30–11:00	Coffe Break
11:00–12:30	Lecture: The Future of Islamic State / Abdülvahap El Efendi
12:30–13:15	Closing Session



## PARTICIPANTS

Name	Affiliation	Country	Presentation
Abdulkadir Wahab Aman	Yıldız Technical University	Turkey (Ethiopia)	Development beyond Per Capita Income: The Real Development Status of Muslim Countries
Abdulrahman Hossam	İstanbul Şehir University	Turkey (Egypt)	Why Does Islamic Resistance to Western Power Fail: Revisiting the State and Society in Egypt
Ahmet Gençtürk	University of Panteion	Greece	Scapegoating 'Nation State' in Middle East
Alexandru Boboc-Cojocaru	Alexandru Ioan Cuza University	Romania	The Concept of Secularism in Muslim Societies - evolution and development
Almaz Radikovich Sandybayev	Girne American University	Kazakhstan	Islamization States Central Asia: Trends and Prospects
Amer Maraqa	Marmara University	Turkey (Jordan)	Enhancing Future Innovation and Encouraging Long Term Investment: Finding Best Practices of the Entrepreneurship Education for the Youth in the Muslim world
Anca Elena Ursu	VU University of Amsterdam	Italy	Islam and Modernity: Bridging Cultures Through Cultural Initiatives
Anthony Idoko Okpanachi	University of Hull	UK	The Role of Traditional Governance and Democratic Challenges: The Nigerian Experience
Anwar Hassen Tsega	Juba University	Sudan	Challenges for Democratic transition in the Muslim world: Egypt as a case study
Arash Beidollahkhani	University of Tehran	Iran	The Rentier State and structural despotism in the Islamic world (Middle East countries) with emphasis on Iran: Quasi-decision making and unstable Rentier economy.
Arber Fetiu	Laval University	Kosovo	The uses of "secularism" in the public discourse: The case of Kosovo
Aysel Gurbanova	Western University	Azerbaijan	Women, Islam, and the Twenty-first Century
Azamat Esenamanov	American University Central Asia	Kyrgyzstan	Possible Ways to Stop Violence in Gaza Strip
Azar Rashtiani	Islamic Azad University	Iran	The Study of Formation of Unilateral Management After Qajar era in Iran



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Azadeh Bozorgi	University of Tehran	Iran	
Bernando J. Sujibto	Selçuk University	Turkey (Indonesia)	Youth Peace Movement in Dilemma
Cyrollah Rasol Disoma	Uludağ University	Turkey (Philippines)	Muslims in the Philippines: Their Struggle for Self-Determination
Çağrı Koşak	İstanbul Şehir University	Turkey	Islamist Rebellion in Syria
Danish Naeem	Fatih Sultan Mehmet Vakıf University	Turkey (Pakistan)	Codification: From the State to the Shariah
Duygu Kapusuz	Johann Wolfgang Goethe University	Germany	Global Governance as Institutionalism
Fatma Nur Zağralı	İstanbul 29 Mayıs University	Turkey	An Analysis of the Institutional Structure of Zakat and the Case for Turkey
Fjolla Spanca		Kosovo	Chronic Verbal Violence Against Kosovo's Women
Gökhan Bozbaş	Necmetin Erbakan University	Turkey	The Imagination of State in the Islamic World
Haris Ubeyde Dünder	Erciyes University	Turkey	The Successes and Failures of Islamic Republic of Iran as an Islamic State in Global Politics
Liudmyla Garmyk	V. N. Karazin Kharkiv National University	Ukraine	Civil Society and Muslim World: Historical Heritage, Institutes, Approaches, Trajectories
Md. Abdul Gaffar	Jawaharlal Nehru University	India	Political Transition: Deconstruction and Reconstruction of Post-Saddam Iraq
Mehmet Alkış	Dicle University	Turkey	Secularisation and Nation-Building in Turkish Modernization Process
Mohammad Tayeeb	Anadolu University	Turkey (Afghanistan)	Islamic Banking and Its Opportunities in Islamic And Non Islamic Countries
Mohammad Waqas Sajjad	Graduate Theological Union	USA	Contextualizing Islam in South Asia- Deobandi and Barelvi traditions and debates
Mohd Yaseen Gada	Aligarh Muslim University	India	Civil Society in Modern Islamic Political Thought: Apprehensions and Aspirations
Muhammad Ali Nasir	University of Heidelberg	Germany	Governing (Through) Religion



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Muhammad Faisal Awan	University of Karachi	Pakistan	Market, Media and the Masses in Pakistan
Mukerem Mifta Shafi	Fatih Sultan Mehmet Vakif University	Turkey (Ethiopia)	The "Ethiopian" Identity and Muslims: A Critical Reflection on the Evolution of Muslims' Identity in Ethiopia.
Nassef Manabilang Adiong	Fatih Sultan Mehmet Vakif University	Turkey (Philippines)	The 'Virtuous Ruler' of Al-Farabi, the 'Shah' of Ferdowsi, the 'Supreme Leader' of Al-Mawardi, and the 'King' of Nizam al-Mulk as "Agent" of Statecrafting a Civilization
Nenden Octavarulia Shanty	Middle East Technical University	Turkey (Indonesia)	Education in the Muslim Countries: Falling Behind?
Orgun Özcan	Philipps-Universität Marburg	Germany	Psychological Research about Decision Making and the Relation Between Politics and Kemal
Ömer Şipal	İstanbul Şehir Üniversitesi	Turkey	the Presidency of Hassan Rouhani in Iran and the Possible Implications of This Presidency for the Future of Post-Islamist Movement in Iran
Rabia Unber Malik	International Islamic University Islamabad	Pakistan	Contemporary Muslim Political Thought (Democracy) and its effects in Muslim world
Samad Hashemian	University of Tehran	Iran	Progressive Patterns of State Society Relation in Islamic Societies. A comparative study.
Shima Vezvaei	Institute of Humanities of Cultural Studies	Iran	"Right to the World" An Alternative Global Approach to Islamic Nation-States in Middle East and North Africa
Showkat Ahmad Dar	Aligarh Muslim University	India	Concept of Islamic State and its Applicability in 21st Century: An Appraisal of Muhammad Asad's Thought
Siddeek Mohamed Sufiyan	University of Colombo	Sri Lanka	Islamic Movements in Opposition and Governance
Siraj Khan	University of Edinburgh	Germany	Reviving Dead Land: Moulding the Islamic State
Sophia Concong	Gazi University	Turkey	The History of Islam in China and the general situation of Chinese Muslims
Zarilbek Nyshan Uulu	OSCE Academy	Kyrgyzstan	Historical analysis of development of Muslim Statehood in Central Asia





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