

The Centre for the Comparative Study of Muslim Societies and Cultures at Simon Fraser University and the Institute for the Study of Muslim Civilizations at Aga Khan University present

Cosmopolitanisms in Muslim Contexts: Models From the Past, Questions for the Future



The *Jam'al-tawarikh* (World History) of Rashid al-Din, a manuscript of 63 folios. Iran, Tabriz. 43.6 cm x 29.1 cm. Dated 714/1314.

Saturday June 21, 2008 | 9 to 5pm
Morris J. Wosk Centre for Dialogue
Simon Fraser University, 580 W Hastings

This conference will provide an opportunity to reflect on moments in world history when cosmopolitan ideas and actions pervaded Muslim societies and cultures. Drawing on comparative and interdisciplinary frameworks, the speakers will explore the contexts and typologies of a variety of Muslim cosmopolitanisms, suggesting possible tensions or conjunctions with regional cultures, enclaves, or modern nation-states.

Registration

This conference is free and open to the public. As seating is extremely limited, reservations are required. To reserve, please call 778-782-5100 or email cs_hc@sfu.ca. Reservations will be held until 8:45 am.

Information

For further information, please visit www.sfu.ca/ccsmc or www.aku.edu/ismc.

Organizers

Dr. Derryl MacLean (SFU-CCSMC) and Dr. Abdou Filali-Ansary (AKU-ISMC)

Participants

Iftikhar Dadi (Cornell University)

Nile Green (University of California at Los Angeles): "Cosmopolitan Pressures & Tumbling Tower Blocks: Supernatural Catastrophe in Colonial Bombay"

Kai Kresse (University of St. Andrews): "How Cosmopolitan is Mombasa (and the Swahili Coast)? Reflections and Discussions"

Muhammad Khalid Masud (Council of Islamic Ideology): "The Doctrine of tashabbuh bi'l kuffar (Imitating the Infidel) Revisited: Modern South Asian Fatawa Cultural Authenticity"

Ariel Salzman (Queen's University): "Cosmopolis or Islampolis? Ottoman Urbanity Between Myth, Memory and Post-Modernity"

Mohamad Tavakoli-Targhi (University of Toronto): "Persian Cosmopolitanism and Europology"

