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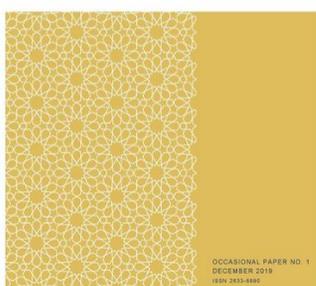
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More from the Abdou Filali-Ansary Occasional Paper Series

We are pleased to announce that two more papers have been published this term on *Responses to the COVID-19 Pandemic in Iran, Pakistan and Syria* and *Islamic and Middle East Studies Librarianship*. The Series is in honour of the Founding Director of AKU-ISMC, Abdou Filali-Ansary, a renowned scholar and well-known public figure whose work closely aligns to the vision and mission of AKU-ISMC. In this Series, we publish progressive, innovative research to generate discussion and contribute to the advancement of knowledge. Read the [latest issues](#) here.

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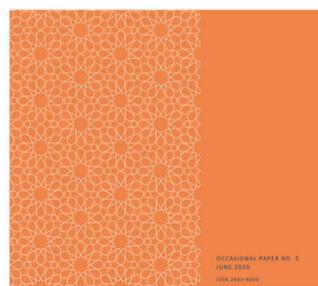
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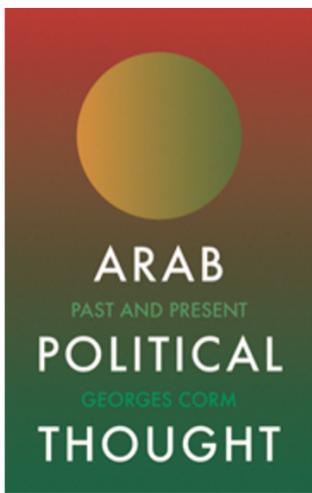
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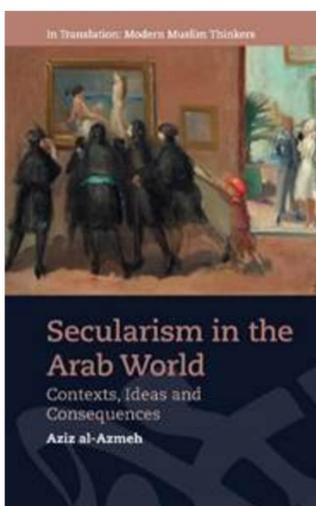
The Times Literary Supplement [reviewed](#) *What is the Sharia?* by Baudouin Dupret earlier this year.

New Books



Arab Political Thought: Past and Present By Georges Corm

Explores the many facets of Arab political thought from the nineteenth century to the present day. The book demonstrates the vitality of Arab political thought and its major controversies. It shows that the key players involved, far from being constrained by a theological-political straitjacket, have often demonstrated strong critical thinking when tackling religion and philosophy, anthropology and politics. [Read more](#)



Secularism in the Arab World: Contexts, Ideas and Consequences By Aziz al-Azmeh

This book is a translation of Aziz al-Azmeh's seminal work *Al-'Ilmaniya min mandhur mukhtalif*, first published in Beirut in 1992. Both celebrated and criticised for its reflections on Arab secularisation and secularism in the modern history of the Arab World, it is the only study to date to approach its subject as a set of historical changes which affected the regulation of the social, political and cultural order, and which permeated the concrete workings of society, rather than as an ideological discussion framed from the outset by the assumed opposition between Islam and secularism. [Read more](#)

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