

**6) 14:30-16:30 FROM ONE PERIPHERY TO THE OTHER:
DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS**

Chair: MICHEL CHRISTIAN (University of Geneva)

- AYKIZ DOGAN (University Paris I)
From Soviet to American Development Model: Role of Transnational Actors, Economic Expertise and Knowledge Transfer in the Economic (Re)Construction of Turkey.
- MASSIMILIANO TRENTIN (University of Bologna)
State-led Development: the privileged linkage between East Germany and Ba'thist Syria, 1963-1972.
- LUKASZ STANEK (University of Manchester)
Architecture and Petrobarter. Romanian and East German Construction Export to Oil Producing Countries, 1970s-1980s.

CONCLUSIONS (ADAM MESTYAN) AND DISCUSSION



**Transnational relations between
Eastern Europe/USSR and the Middle East.
New perspectives on the Cold War**

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THURSDAY FEBRUARY 22ND

1) 14:00-14:30 INTRODUCTION

- SANDRINE KOTT et CYRUS SCHAYEGH: Welcome note
- VLADIMIR HAMED TROYANSKI (Stanford University)
"Trans-Imperial Connections between the Late Ottoman and Russian Empires."

2) 14:30-16:30 A NEW SPATIALITY (FROM EASTERN EUROPE TO THE MIDDLE EAST)

Chair: NATASHA WHEATLEY (Princeton University) / via skype ONDREJ MATEJKA (Charles University, Prague)

- NATAŠA MIŠKOVIĆ (University of Basel)
The Non-Aligned Movement and the Orientalist Turn.
- RINNA KULLAA (University of Tampere/ University of Vienna)
Third Way Networks and the Redefining of an Eastern Mediterranean Crescent as a Transformative Political Space 1954-1990.
- JOSEPH BEN PRESTEL (Freie Universität Berlin / Orient-Institut Beirut)
Global Palestine in Cold War Germany, 1967-1979.

COFFEE BREAK

3) 17:00-18:30 STATE BUILDING AND TRANSNATIONAL ENCOUNTERS

Chair: ADAM MESTYAN (Duke University, USA)

- MIRIAM M. MÜLLER (Hamburg Institute for Social Research, Germany)
Transnational identity-creation in the Middle East: East Germany's engagement in South Yemen as a spatial claim to state-identity.
- ISABELLA GINOR and GIDEON REMEZ (Truman Institute, Hebrew University of Jerusalem). *Internatsionalisty* and "Soldiers of Allah", Interaction between Soviets and Egyptians in Their Joint War against Israel.

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FRIDAY FEBRUARY 23TH

4) 09:00-11:00 CULTURAL CIRCULATION

Chair: VALENTINA CALZOLARI (University of Geneva)

- MASHA KIRASIROVA (New York University Abu Dhabi)
Muslim Tradition Forbids Reciting the Qur'an while Drunk:"
Soviet Cultural Diplomacy and the Arab Intelligentsia, 1925-1948.
- PHILIPP CASULA (University of Zurich/Manchester)
Soviet Travelers to the Middle East: Searching Modernity and a true Soviet Self during the Cold War.
- KONSTANTINOS KATSAKIORIS (University Bayreuth)
The COMECON countries, North Africa and the Middle East:
Educational Cooperation during the Cold War.

COFFEE BREAK

5) 11:15-13:15 MINORITIES AS BRIDGE BUILDERS

Chair: Vladimir Hamed Troyanski (Stanford University)

- TALINE TER MINASSIAN (INALCO, Paris)
The « Colporteurs » revisited : Soviet Union and transnational minorities in the Middle-East, Act II.
- OLEKSANDRA KUNOVSKA MONDOUX (University of Fribourg, Switzerland)
Building the economic relations between Poles, Ukrainians and Jews before and after WWII.
- ALEKSANDAR ZIVOTIC (Department for History, Belgrade University)
Dominance of Pramatism over Ideology. Yugoslav Muslims as a Bridge between Yugoslavia and Egypt (1952-1961).

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