



Christian Arabs in the Greater Mashreq: Determinants of Continuity, Emigration and Forced Migration

21 - 22 October, 2017

Doha Institute - Auditorium 2

Day One

Keynote Lectures

Chair: **Marwan Kabalan**

9:00-10:00

Kamel Abu Jaber: The Mass Emigration of Christians from the Arab East: Facilitation by the West
Wajih Kawtharani: On the Crisis of Citizenship: the Myth of Tolerance and the Failure to Transform into a State of Full Citizenship

Christian Arab Communities Prior to the Rise of the Nation-State

Chair: **Haider Saeed**

10:00-11:30

Youssef Courbage: Christian Arabs in the Ottoman Empire: from Marj Dabiq to Ain Dara
Hala Naufal: Christian Arabs in the Ottoman Empire: from Ain Dara to the First World War
Fadwa Nusairat: The Social Conditions of Christian Arabs in Egypt and Greater Syria between 1800 and 1900

11:30-12:00

Coffee Break

The Political and Legal Conditions of Christian Arabs in the Arab East

Chair: **Aff Safieh**

12:30-14:00

Salam Kawakibi: The Political Involvement of Christian Arab Communities in the Modern States of the Arab East
Nael Georges: Christian Syrians: the Politicization of Community Protection
Muhanad Mubidin: Christian Jordanians: Social Role and Influence
Neven Melek: The Legal Status and Legal Complications Faced by Egyptian Copts since July, 2013

14:00-15:00

Lunch Break

The "Christian Question" in Contemporary Islamic Discourse: between Dialogue and Displacement

Chair: **Abdou Mousa**

15:00-16:30

Saoud Almawla: A Critique of Present-day Muslim-Christian Dialogue
Khalil Al Anani: Citizens or Dhimmis? How the Muslim Brotherhood Views the Political Rights of Egypt's Coptic Christians
Haider Saeed and Mohammed Omar: Christians as Imagined within the Rhetoric of the Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant

Day Two

Christians in Iraq since the Fall of Mosul

Chair: **Mohammad Almasri**

9:00-10:30

Yehia Al Kubaisi: Christian Demographics in Iraq: Reality and Politicization
Saad Salloum: The Creation of a "Safe Zone" for Christian Iraqis: Justifications, Challenges and Varying Approaches
Abdulhakeem Khasro: Christians in Iraqi Kurdistan: the Ambitions of Christian Political Movements

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Coffee Break

The Emigration of the Christians of the Arab East: Discourse of Inclusion and Exclusion

Chair: **Jamal Barout**

11:00-12:30

Robin Shamuel: The Stark Choices Faced by Non-Muslims: Convert, Pay the Jizia or Die
Shady Lewis: Oppression, Patriotism and Citizenship: the Structure of Discourse on the Coptic Question in Egypt
Majed Hasan Ali: Dwindling Presence and the Loss of Identity: the Emigration of Syrian and Iraqi Christians, and the Approach of Local Christian Political Organizations

12:30-13:00

Coffee Break

The Emigration and Forced Migration of Christian Arabs from Greater Syria

Chair: **Burhan Ghalion**

13:00-14:30

Abdullah Hanna: Christian Population Centers in Syria: Internal and Foreign Migrations
Samir Seifan: The Emigration of Christian Syrians since March, 2011: the Impact of the Ongoing Conflict
Mitri Raheb: A Century of Emigration and Forced Migration of the Christian Palestinian Community

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Lunch

15:30-17:00

Roundtable Discussion