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» Roads to Paradise «

Eschatology and Concepts of the Hereafter in Islam



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Wednesday, 27 May 2009

3:00 p.m.: Opening Session

Distinguished Lecture: »Paradise Lost?«

By Professor Dr. Tilman Nagel, University of Göttingen

**Lecture Hall of the State and
University Library of Göttingen**

(former St. Paul's Church)

WEDNESDAY, 27 MAY 2009

4:30 - 6:00 p.m.

Panel 1: Beautiful as a Dream – Paradise
and its Pleasures

Panel 2: Comparative Eschatology

THURSDAY, 28 MAY 2009

9:00 - 10:30 a.m.

Panel 3: Visualizing Paradise

Panel 4: Travelling to Paradise

11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Panel 5: Images, Symbols and Concepts
of Eschatology

Panel 6: Considerations of the Hereafter
in Literature and Art

2:30 - 4:00 p.m.

Panel 7: (Inter-)Dependencies in Viewing
the Other World

Panel 8: Shi'i, Philosophical and Esoteric
Contemplations of Paradise and
the Eschaton

4:30 - 6:00 p.m.

Panel 9: Paradise, Eschatology and
Philosophical Speculations

Panel 10: The Landscape and Makeup of
the Hereafter

FRIDAY, 29 MAY 2009

9:00 - 10:30 a.m.

Panel 11: Paradise and Utopia

Panel 12: Reincarnation, Afterlife,
and the Awaited Mahdi

11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Panel 13: Myths and Motifs of
Eschatology and the
Hereafter

Panel 14: Paradise through the Eyes
of the Mystics

2:30 - 4:30 p.m.

Panel 15: Paradise meets Modernity

Panel 16: Popular Discourses about
Paradise and the Afterlife

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