

# Internationale Fachtagung

# Contexts of Learning in Baghdad from the 8th-10th Centuries

## 12.-14. September 2011

### Montag, 12. September 2011

Ort: Vortraum, Paulinerkirche, Papendiek 14

#### 14.00 Uhr Begrüßung und Einführung

Jens Scheiner (Göttingen)

#### 14.30 Uhr Contexts of Qur'an, Tafsir, and Jewish Learning

Teaching Qur'anic Exegesis: Some Preliminary Thoughts

Luise Ossenbach (Göttingen)

Ibn Mujahid and Ibn Muqla:

Or how the Qur'anic Page Came to Look Like it Does Today

Andreas Mohr (Potsdam)

The »Language of the Arabs«

Between the Spoken and the Ideal:

The mathal in Abu Ubaydas Majaz al-Qur'an

Nora Schmidt (Berlin)

Safeguarding Lord's Word: The Work of the Masoretes

Elvira Martín-Contreras (Madrid)

Geonic Academies of Babylonia

Elisabetta Abate (Göttingen)

#### 18.00 Uhr Keynote Lecture

Ort: Roter Salon, Lichtenberg-Kolleg in der Historischen Sternwarte, Geismar Landstr. 11

Kunst und Kultur im frühabbasidischen Bagdad: Eine Rekonstruktion nach materiellen Zeugnissen

Karin Rührdanz (Toronto)

### Dienstag, 13. September 2011

Ort: Vortraum, Paulinerkirche, Papendiek 14

#### 9.00 Uhr Contexts of Translation

Perso-Arabic Translation Movement in Context: Who was Translating Historical Texts from Middle Persian for Whom and Why?

Mohsen Zakeri (Göttingen)

The Bayt al-Hikma: A Conversation Salon?

Johannes Manz (Berlin)

Al-Ma'mun and Astrology: Re-Shuffling the Pieces of the Bayt al-Hikma Puzzle

Damien Janos (Göttingen)

#### 11.00 Uhr Contexts of Historiography

Court Astronomers and Historical Writing in Early Abbasid Bagdad

Antoine Borut (College Park/Maryland)

Narrating the Past: The Qussas as Historians in 9th and 10th Century Bagdad

Jens Scheiner (Göttingen)

Talking about Arabic Origins:

The Transmission of the ayyam al-arab in Kufa, Basra, and Bagdad

Isabel Toral-Niehoff (Berlin)

#### 14.30 Uhr Contexts of Christian Learning

Know Your Enemy: Christian Learning about Islam in the Early Abbasid Caliphate

Krisztina Szilágyi (Cambridge)

We Shall not Teach the Qur'an to Our Children

Clare Wilde (Auckland)

Using Philosophical and Theological Competence: The Heads of the Church of the East Mar Aba (741-751) and Henaniso II (774/75-779/80)

Martin Tamcke (Göttingen)

Contexts of Christian Education in Bagdad:

The Letters of the East-Syrian Patriarch Timothy I (780-823)

Martin Heimgartner (Halle)

### Mittwoch, 14. September 2011

Ort: Vortraum, Paulinerkirche, Papendiek 14

#### 9.00 Uhr Contexts of Literature

Al-Kindi on Knowledge Acquisition and Education

Sebastian Günther (Göttingen)

The Concepts of »Knowledge« and »Education« in the Works of al-Jahiz (d. 869) and Ibn Qutayba (d. 889) in the Context of Late Antiquity

Hans Peter Pökel (Berlin)

Celebrating Wisdom, Reflection, and Contemplation: Abu l-Atahiya and his zuhdyyat

Nora K. Schmid (Potsdam)

Savoir-vivre at Court:

Ibn al-Washsha on Education and Morality

Lale Behzadi (Bamberg)

Baghdad and Other Imaginary Places in a Recently Discovered Andalusian Manuscript

Claudia Ott (Erlangen)

#### 13.30 Uhr Contexts of Natural Sciences

Vestiges of Teaching Aids and Educational Methods in Astronomy (750–1000)

Johannes Thoman (Zürich)

Education and Teaching Activities of the Nestorian Physicians during the Abbasid Caliphate

Silke Abele (Tübingen)

#### 14.30 Uhr Abschlussdiskussion

#### 15.30 Uhr Konferenzende

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