

The Third Workshop of the Network of British Researchers and Practitioners of Islamic Law

**Diversity and Change in Islamic Law:
Developments in Shi'ite Jurisprudence
Thursday 4th and Friday 5th June 2009
Institute of Arab and Islamic Studies
University of Exeter**

WORKSHOP PROGRAMME

(as of 21st May 2009)

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Thursday 4th June 2009

1200-1400: LUNCH available in the Institute of Arab and Islamic Studies

1400 Welcome by Robert Gleave, Network Director

1415 Seyed Sadegh Haghghat: A Shift in *Fiqh* from Individual-centred to Institution-centred Theories?

1445 Ala Hussein: The Most Learned Shi'ite Jurist? (Research Report)

1500 Mohammad Samiei: Ways of Responding to Necessities of the Modern Life in the Islamic Legal System, a Shi'i Perspective

1530 TEA/COFFEE

1600 Ahmad Ahtar: The treatment of *Majaz* in early Imami *usul al-fiqh* literature (al-Shaykh al-Mufid, al-Sharif al-Radi and al-Tusi)

1630 Fawzi Ghariani: *Kitab al-Majmu'* of Imam Zayd: News and Views

1700 Hashim Bata: Abu Hanifah and Mu'tazilism (Research Report)

1715 Ahmed Mohsen Al-Dawoody: Terrorism from the Perspective of Classical Muslim Jurists.

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Friday 5th June 2009

0900 Denis Hermann: The role of the Shaykhi Kirmani school in the debate concerning the Akhbari and Usuli legal principles (*usul-e fiqh*) through a study of Abu l-Qasim Khan Ibrahimy (d. 1969) and his *Ijtihad va Taqlid*.

0930 Zackery M. Heern: The *Usul al-Fiqh* of Vahid Bihbihani and his Development of Usuli Shi'ism (Research Report)

0945 Julien Pélissier: The view of a 20th century Twelver Usuli Shi'ite jurist on the history of *'ilm al-usul*: Muhammad Baqir al-Sadr's *Al-Ma'alim al-jadida lil-usul* (Research Report)

1000 TEA/COFFEE

1030 Marianne Bøe: Debating Family Law in Contemporary Iran (Research Report)

1045 Sajad Jiyad: Divorce in Shi'i Islam: custom, courts and change

1115 Morgan Clarke: Religious authority, legal modernism and the civil state: Shi'ite courts in Lebanon

1145 Roja Fazaeli: Can Ijtihad play a major role in Islamic law reform?

1215 Ali-Reza Bhojani: *Al-mustaqillat al-'aqli*: Theological baggage or potential source of diversity and change in Shi'i law?

1245 LUNCH

1345 Annemeik Schlatmann: Shi'i *fiqh* for Muslims living in the West (Research Report)

1400 Ali Fanaei: The Necessity of Paradigm Shift in Shi'ite Jurisprudence

1430 Alexander Hainy: The Uncommissioned Agent: Pragmatism in the Application of Islamic Law

1500 TEA/COFFEE

1530 Hossein Simaee: Analogical Reasoning: A Comparative Study of *Ratio Decidendi* in Islamic Jurisprudence and Common Law

1600 Mohammad Ghari S. Fatemi: Order v. Justice Shiite *Fiqh* and Principle of *Ignorantia Juris Non Excusat*

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