

**Dispossession and displacement:
*Forced migration in the Middle East and Africa***

An international conference
to be held at

The British Academy, London
28 and 29 February 2008

Thursday 28 February 2008

- 9.00-10.00am** **Registration and coffee**
- 10.00-11.00am** **INTRODUCTION AND KEYNOTE**
Professor Barbara Harrell-Bond and **Dr. Effie Voutira**
(American University of Cairo and University of Macedonia)
Theory and policy of refugees in the Middle East in the 21st century: Egypt and beyond
- 11.00am-1.00pm** **PANEL I: DISPLACEMENT (Chair: tbc)**
- Sarah Keeler**, University of Kurdistan Hawler in Kurdistan Region, Federal Republic of Iraq
Displacement and identity transformations in Iraq: the case of refugee reception in the 'post-conflict' Kurdistan region
- Dr. Yaël Ronen**, Ono Academic College, Israel
Displacement by repatriation – the future of Turkish immigrants in Northern Cyprus
- Maher Bitar**, Department of Politics and International Relations, University of Oxford, UK
Internal displacement in the Occupied Palestinian Territories of the West Bank and East Jerusalem: the intersection of politics and the loss of livelihoods
- Dr. Alessandro Monsutti**, Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, Geneva
Beyond the boundaries: Hazara migratory networks between Afghanistan, Pakistan, Iran and the Western countries
- 1.00-2.30pm** **Lunch break**
- 2.30-4.30pm** **PANEL II: REPATRIATION (Chair: tbc)**
- Dr. Paula Kantor**, Afghanistan Research and Evaluation Unit (AREU)/ University of East Anglia, and **Mamiko Saiko**, AREU, Afghanistan
From Mohajer to Hamwatan: the reintegration experiences of second generation Afghans returning from neighbouring countries
- Sarah Kamal**, London School of Economics, UK /Trudeau Foundation, Canada
Repatriation and reconstruction: Afghan youth as a "burnt generation" in post-conflict return
- Dr. Jude Murison**, University of Edinburgh, UK
When repatriation fails: the case of the Kibati refugees in Uganda
- Dr. Tania Kaiser**, School of Oriental and African Studies, UK
Returning 'home' to Sudan? The transformation of socio-cultural practices and identity in exile and beyond
- 4.30-5.00pm** **Coffee**
- 5.00-6.00pm** **DISCUSSION PANEL: ETHICS (Panel Chair: Dr Dawn Chatty, Refugees Studies Centre, Oxford) Prof Peter Loizos, Dr Catherine Panter-Brick and Dr Effie Voutira**
- 6.00-7.00pm** **Reception (buffet provided)**
- 7.00-8.00pm** **FILM PANEL**
Prof Peter Loizos, Simon James and other film makers
'Filming conflict and dispossession' a discussion with short film clips by the film makers

Friday 29 February 2008

- 9.00-9.30am** **Coffee**
- 9.30-10.30am** **KEYNOTE**
Dr. Geraldine Chatelard, French Institute for the Near East, Amman, Jordan
A quest for protection: the fragmented social organisation of transnational Iraqi migration (1990-2007)
- 10.30am-12.30pm** **PANEL III: IDENTITY IN EXILE (Chair: tbc)**
- Elena Fiddian**, Department of International Development, University of Oxford, UK
The Sahrawi self and other: the camps, Europe and the Middle East in the eyes of the Polisario Front
- Zuzanna Olszewska**, University of Oxford, Wolfson, UK
Identity, modernity and poetry as a rhetorical device among Afghan refugees in Iran
- Dr. Laura Hamblin**, Utah Valley State College, USA, and **Hala Sarraf**, Fulbright Scholar
Call to respond, respond to call: an Iraqi women's oral history project
- Professor Peter Loizos**, Development Studies Institute, LSE, UK and **Dr Tobias Kelly**, School of Social and Political Studies, University of Edinburgh, UK
The intractability of the Cyprus and Palestine conflicts: refugees, and national humiliation
- 12.30-2.00pm** **Lunch break**
- 2.00-3.30pm** **PANEL IV: POLICY (Chair: tbc)**
- Professor Khadija Elmadmad**, Advocate and International Consultant, UNESCO Chair 'Migration and Human Rights, Morocco'
Forced migration in Morocco: the legal aspect
- Nadia Abu-Zahra**, University of Oxford, St Antony's, UK
Identity, documentation and displacement
- Dr Nabil Al-Tikriti**, US Institute of Peace, University of Mary Washington, USA
There goes the neighbourhood: regional policy variants vis-à-vis Iraqi refugees
- 3.30-4.00pm** **Coffee**
- 4.00-5.00pm** **DISCUSSION PANEL: FUTURE DIRECTIONS (Panel Chair: tbc)**
- 5.00pm** Close of Conference