

University of Bucharest

*Geographies of Arab and Muslim identity  
through the eyes of travelers*

International conference on *60<sup>th</sup> anniversary* of

Arabic Department

Bucharest

September 15-16, 2017

**Friday, 15 September 2017**

8:30 – 9.00	REGISTRATION (Casa Universitarilor, Dionisie Lupu Street, no. 46)
9:00 – 10	<b>Formal opening and welcome in occasion of the 60th anniversary of Arabic Department</b> <b>Mircea Dumitru</b> , Rector of University of Bucharest <b>Liviu Franga</b> , Dean of the Faculty of Foreign Languages and Literatures <b>George Grigore</b> , Head of Arabic Department <b>Nadia Anghelescu</b> , Professor Emeritus of University of Bucharest <b>Laura Sitaru</b> , Organizer of the conference
10:00 – 10.30	<b>COFFEE BREAK</b>

	<b>Room 1</b> Chair: <b>Omar Khalifah</b>	<b>Room 2</b> Chair: <b>Irina Vainovski-Mihai</b>
10:30-11.00	<b>Ivan Sivkov</b> , Taras Shevchenko National University of Kyiv: <i>The Western constitutional principles of XIX century in the eyes of Arab scholar and traveller (based on "Taḥlīṣ al-ibrīz fī talḥīṣ Bārīs" (The Extraction of Gold or an Overview of Paris) of Rifā'a Rāfi' aṭ-Taḥṭāwī</i>	<b>Giuliano Mion</b> , University of Chieti-Pescara : <i>Trajectoires inverses. Terres d'Islam dans les récits de deux voyageurs italiens du XIXe siècle</i>
11:00-11:30	<b>Paula Carolina de Andrade Carvalho</b> , Universida de Federal de São Paulo (UNIFESP): <i>Abdullah &amp; Richard F. Burton: Islam and otherness in Personal Narrative of a Pilgrimage to Al-Madinah &amp; Mecca (1855-56)</i>	<b>George Grigore</b> , University of Bucharest: الغرائية والعجبانية في أدب الرحلات العربي
11:30-12:00	<b>Michele Pisano</b> , University of Cagliari: <i>Defining a modern Arab image of Italy through the travel memoirs of Ḥsā Ibrāhīm al-Nā'ūrī</i>	<b>Akeel Almarai</b> , l'Università per Stranieri di Siena: صورة رومة لدى الرحالة العرب في العصور الوسطى
12:00-12:30	<b>Aldo Nicosia</b> , University of Bari: <i>Amrika shika bika and the invention of Romania</i>	<b>Yulia Petrova</b> , A. Krymsky Institute of Oriental Studies of the National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine: <i>Linguistic Preferences of Paul of Aleppo as Found in His Travel Account</i>

**12:30-13:30      Lunch (Casa Universitarilor, Dionisie Lupu Street, no. 46)**

	<b>Room 1</b> Chair: Yulia Petrova	<b>Room 2</b> Chair: Giuliano Mion
13:30-14:00	<b>Boris Stojkovski, Nebojša Kartalija,</b> University of Novi Sad: <i>The Other and the Self in the travel accounts of Southern Hungary and Serbia in the works of Al-Idrīsī and Abū Ḥāmid al-Ğarnāṭī</i>	<b>Mustafa Switat</b> , Warsaw University: <i>Arab travelers about Poland. The image of Ibrahim Ibn Yaqub and the image of the Slavs</i>
14:00-14:30	<b>Csilla Gyöngyösi</b> , Eötvös Lóránd University: <i>Sacred Geography and Myths of the Stranger in Islam</i>	<b>Oana Ghica</b> , "Dimitrie Cantemir" Christian University: <i>RIHLA - a path towards the Muslim community or the possibility to reveal the cultural identity</i>
14:30-15:00	<b>Imar Koutchoukali</b> , Tallinn University: <i>Expressions of identity in Ibn Faḍlān's kitāb: the "Arab-Muslim" dichotomy</i>	<b>Yousef Sh'hadeh</b> , Jagiellonian University in Krakow: <i>A Journey of Ghada as-Samman or How the Body Becomes a Suitcase</i>
15:00-15:30	<b>Christian Tămaş</b> , independent researcher : <i>Les facettes multiples du voyage en islam</i>	<b>Basilios Bawardi</b> , Bar-Ilan University: <i>Discovering the Local: Khalīl al-Khūrī's Wayy, Idhan Lastu bi-Ifranjī (Alas, I'm not a foreigner) 1859-1861, and the Literary Geographical Writing</i>

**19:00                  Opening Reception (Casa Universitarilor, Dionisie Lupu Street, no. 46)**

**Saturday, 16 September**

	<b>Room 1</b> Chair: Gabriel Bițună	<b>Room 2</b> Chair: Ovidiu Pietrăeanu
9:30-10:00	<b>Nür ad-Din aş-Şağır</b> , University of Sharjah: الرحلة الى الغرب وحركة التنوير العربية خير الدين التونسي نموذجا	<b>Irina Vainovski-Mihai</b> , „Dimitrie Cantemir“ Christian University: <i>Blurring the Limits between Self and Other: Gyula Germanus' Travels to the 'East'</i>
10:00-10:30	<b>Muzaffar 'Abd Rūmī</b> , University of Wasit: الدليل اللغوي والتاريخي على عراقيّة عرب قشقاداريا	<b>Andra Dodică</b> , "Nicolae Iorga" Institut, The Romanian Academy: <i>Al-Ğāhiż's kitābu raddī 'alā n-naṣārā: Fictional External Geography Supporting Domestic Agendas</i>
10:30-11:00	<b>Mohamed Hijou</b> , Mohammed V University: <i>Self and the other through Jan Potocki's trip to Morocco</i> رحلة بوتوتسكي في المغرب: جدلية الآنا (والآخر)	<b>'Azmī Zakariyā Abū I-Āzz</b> , Cairo University in Khartoum: السفر و الهوية العربية الإسلامية - علاقة السفر بجملية الآنا و الآخر احمد فارس الشبيق نموذجا
11:00-11:30	<b>Yasar Acat</b> , University of Shirnaq: اللغات واللغة العربية في سياحتنامة لأولئك جانبي	<b>Mateusz Wilk</b> , University of Warsaw: <i>Describing Otherness in Ibrāhīm b. Ya'qūb's Account of Central Europe</i>
11:30-12:00	<b>Jaklin Zidan</b> , Moscow State University: <i>Self and the other on an example of the book written by Louis 'Awad "Memoirs of a Student on a Study Abroad Mission."</i>	<b>Haitham Mohammad Sarhan</b> , Qatar University: صورة المدينة في السرد العربي - الكلاسيكي- الكُدُّية والارتفاع

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13:00-13:30	<b>Rosalind Buckton-Tucker</b> , American University of Kuwait: <i>Journeys Ancient and Modern: The Writings of Ibn Battuta and Tim Mackintosh-Smith</i>	<b>Mahmoud al-Ashiri</b> , Georgetown University in Qatar: عين على الصقالبة عين على الذات - قراءة في "رحلة جنائن الشرق المأهولة"؛ رحلة في بلاد الصقالبة
13:30-14:00	<b>Hadi Sadoon Hannon</b> , University of Kufa: دلّالات الرحلة عند الإدريسي في كتابه نزهة المشتاق في اختراق الأفاق	<b>Lumița Munteanu</b> , University of Bucharest, <i>La chute au monde de Zeynep Hanım : les désillusions « occidentales » d'une rêveuse « orientale »</i>
14:00-14:30	<b>Crina Galiță</b> , University of Bucharest : <i>La géographie de l'esprit arabe ou la logique comme moyen de représenter l'autre</i>	<b>Samia Touti</b> , independent researcher, <i>Les pérégrinations d'Abu al-Hasan al-Shâdhilî (m. 1258) selon Latâ'if al-minan et Durrat al-Asrâr</i>
14:30-15:00	<b>Laura Sitaru</b> , University of Bucharest, <i>Le voyageur musulman médiéval et la frontière</i> .	<b>Andreea Dumitrescu</b> , independent researcher: <i>Mediterranean wanderings through a "Mediterranean French": Panait Istrati's case</i>

**15:30-16:00      Coffee Break (Casa Universitarilor, Dionisie Lupu Street, no. 46)**

	<b>Room 1</b> Chair: Mahmoud al-Ashiri	<b>Room 2</b> Chair: Rosalind Buckton-Tucker
16:00-16:30	<b>Fatiha Taib</b> , Mohammed V University: عبد / أوربا من خلال رحلة ابن بطوطة	<b>Daniele Sicari</b> , University of Palermo: <i>Familiarity and otherness in late-Ottoman travel accounts in Palestine</i>
16:30-17:00	<b>Silvia Stefan</b> , University of Bucharest, <i>Morofilia and epic representations of "the noble Moor" in Guerras civiles de Granada (1595) by Ginés Pérez de Hita, "translator" of Aben Hamín</i>	<b>Raša' al-Khatib</b> , Free Arab University of Amman: تمثيلات الذات والأخر في ثلاث رحلات عربية في القرن السابع عشر
17:00-17:30	<b>Omar Khalifah</b> , Georgetown University in Qatar: <i>Anthologizing Arabic Literature: The Longman Anthology and the Problems of World Literature</i>	<b>Ovidiu Pietrăeanu</b> , University of Bucharest: <i>Arabic literature as a means to reclaim lost Syriac heritage – a Xth-XIth century Syriac translation from Arabic of Kalila and Dimna</i>
17:30-18:00	<b>Gabriel Bițună</b> , University of Bucharest: <i>From Safarnāmeh to Lonely Planet: A description of Siirt (South-East Turkey) through the eyes of travelers</i>	<b>Ştefan Ionete</b> , University of Bucharest, <i>Il Milione and the Old Man of the Mountain - Medieval Persia.</i>