

Wednesday 14 October

9:15–9:45 Registration

9:45–10:15 Welcome

ELDA MORLICCHIO | Rector, Università degli Studi di Napoli “L’Orientale”

ROBERTO TOTTOLI | Director of the Dipartimento Asia, Africa e Mediterraneo

ROBERTO TOTTOLI, MARIANNA KLAR and MICHAEL PREGILL | Conference Organizers

10:15–11:00 OPENING LECTURE

TILMAN NAGEL | Georg-August-Universität Göttingen

“How to achieve an Islamic interpretation of the *q̣iṣaṣ al-anbiyā’*”

11:00–11:30 *Coffee break*

11:30–1:00 PANEL 1

What is ‘Islamic’
about *q̣iṣaṣ al-anbiyā’* ?

MICHELE BERNARDINI | Chair

CAROL BAKHOS | UCLA
“The case of al-Kisā’ī”

GOTTFRIED HAGEN | University of Michigan
“Between Yūsuf and Karbalā’ : suffering and salvation history in Fuṣūli’s *Garden of the Felicitous*”

BRANNON WHEELER | United States Naval Academy
“In the footprints of the Buddha: comparing the *q̣iṣaṣ al-anbiyā’* to the Jatakas”

1:00–3:00 *Lunch*

3:00–4:30 PANEL 2

Defining the Genre and
Corpus of *q̣iṣaṣ al-anbiyā’*

AGOSTINO CILARDO | Chair

ROBERTO TOTTOLI | Università di Napoli “L’Orientale”
“*Q̣iṣaṣ al-anbiyā’* texts and editions: bibliographical questions regarding al-Tha’labī’s *‘Arā’is al-majālis*”

MARIANNA KLAR | SOAS, University of London
“Textual stability in al-Kisā’ī’s Shu‘ayb narrative”

JENS SCHEINER | Georg-August-Universität Göttingen
“Did the *quṣṣāṣ* narrate *q̣iṣaṣ al-anbiyā’* ?”

4:30–5:00 *Coffee break*

5:00–6:30 PANEL 3

Q̣iṣaṣ Materials of the
Mamlūk Period as Case Study

MARIANNA KLAR | Chair

CAMILLA ADANG | Tel Aviv University
“Tales of the prophets in al-Maqrīzī’s *al-Khabar ‘an al-bashar*: from Saul to Solomon”



ISLAMIC STORIES OF THE PROPHETS: Semantics, Discourse, and Genre



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Palazzo DuMesnil - via Chiatamone, 61

JOSEPH SADAN | Tel Aviv University

“The prophet Job (Ayyūb) and his wife Raḥma: a post-qur’anic dramatic composition”

WALID SALEH | University of Toronto

“On a Mamlūk treatise on al-Khiḍr: Ibn Imām al-Kāmiliyya (d. 874/1470) and India Office Islamic 1529”

Thursday 15 October

9:30–11:00 PANEL 4

The Political Implications
of *qiṣaṣ* Materials: Shī’ī Examples

FRANCESCA BELLINO | Chair

MICHAEL PREGILL | Boston University

“When is a *qiṣaṣ* not a *qiṣaṣ*? *Ta’wīl*, propaganda, and political prophetology”

GEORGE WARNER | SOAS, University of London

“*Qiṣaṣ al-a’imma*? The true, the miraculous, and the interesting in Imāmī Shī’ī stories of the prophets and imāms”

OMID GHAEMMAGHAMI | SUNY Binghamton

“And there befell the Israelites a period of concealment: notes on Moses and the Shī’ī messiah in early Twelver apologetic literature”

11:00–11:30 *Coffee break*

11:30–1:00 PANEL 5

Qiṣaṣ Outside the Bounds of *qiṣaṣ al-anbiyā’*

CONCEPCIÓN CASTILLO | Chair

HELEN BLATHERWICK | SOAS, University of London

“Solomon legends in *Sīrat Sayf Ibn Dhī Yazan*”

AYŞE POLAT | University of Chicago

“The human Jesus: a 1922 Ottoman periodical debate”

SHARI L. LOWIN | Stonehill College

“*Qiṣaṣ al-anbiyā’* in an Andalusian poem of desire”

1:00–3:00 *Lunch*

3:00–4:30 Panel 6

Qiṣaṣ at the Edges of Islam

MICHAEL PREGILL | Chair

HERBERT BERG | University of North Carolina Wilmington

“Elijah Muhammad’s prophets: the white Adam, the black Jesus, and the black Christ”

REUVEN FIRESTONE | HUC-JIR/Los Angeles

“*The Story of the Ten Sages*: an Israelite story of the Prophet, or a Jewish *qiṣṣa* of counter-history”

MEIRA POLLIACK | Tel-Aviv University

“The term *qiṣṣa/qiṣaṣ* in medieval Judeo-Arabic biblical exegesis and its wider implications”

4:30–5:00 *Coffee break*

5:00–5:30 CONCLUDING LECTURE

CONCEPCIÓN CASTILLO | University of Granada

“Forty years in *qiṣaṣ al-anbiyā’*: a retrospective”

5:30–6:00 CLOSING REMARKS

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