



## Gender and Generation in the Aftermath of the Uprisings

## Political Visions, Desires, Movements in the Middle East and North Africa Today

**Friday, 9<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, 10<sup>th</sup> December 2016**

**Brunei Gallery Lecture Theatre, SOAS University of London**

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## Day 1 9<sup>th</sup> December 2016

- 18.00 – 18.15 **Welcome – Ruba Salih** (*Centre for Gender Studies, SOAS*)
- 18.15 - 19.30 **Keynote Speech: Youth and the Long Horizon of Precarity in the Middle East**  
**Linda Herrera** (*University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign*)  
*Chair: Lynn Welchman (School of Law, SOAS)*  
*Discussant: Hassan Hakimian (London Middle East Institute, SOAS)*
- 19.30 - 19.40 Musical Interlude - Maya Youssef<sup>i</sup>

## Day 2 10<sup>th</sup> December 2016

- 09.30 – 10.00 **Registration**
- 10.00 – 11.00 **Session 1: After the Springs: Young People, Cultural Politics and Political Cultures**  
*Chair: Salwa Ismail (Department of Politics and International Studies, SOAS)*  
*Discussant: Elena Zambelli (IDS and SOAS)*
- Art at the Edge: Creative Resistance after the Revolutions**  
*Mark LeVine (University of California, Irvine)*
- Superfluous Generation? A Political Economy of Youth Mobilisation in the South-East Mediterranean**  
*Daniela Pioppi (L'Orientale University of Naples & Istituto Affari Internazionali) and Maria Cristina Paciello (Ca' Foscari University of Venice & Istituto Affari Internazionali)*
- 11.00 – 11.30 **Coffee Break**
- 11.30 – 12.45 **Keynote Speech: Youth Surges and Child Sovereignities: States of Desire, Politics of Infantilisation and Subjects of Futurity in Today's Middle East**  
**Paul Amar** (*University of California Santa Barbara*)  
*Chair: Dina Matar (Centre for Media Studies, SOAS)*  
*Discussant: Charles Tripp (Department of Politics and International Studies, SOAS)*

<sup>i</sup> For more information on Maya Youssef see her website: <http://www.mayayoussef.com/>

12.45 – 13.30

**Lunch Break**

13.30 – 14.30

**Session 2: Desires, Mobilities and Visions**

*Chair: Charles Tripp (Department of Politics and International Studies, SOAS)  
Discussant: Paul Amar (University of California Santa Barbara)*

**Globally Sensitive: Exclusion, Aspirations and Desire of Mobility in Morocco**

*Francesco Vacchiano (Instituto de Ciências Sociais - Universidade de Lisboa)*

**Young People at the Margins: East Jerusalem, Kufr 'Aqab and the Politics of (Im)mobility**

*Daaa Hammoudeh (St Anthony's College, University of Oxford)*

14.30 – 16.00

**Session 3: New Movements, Vocabularies of Change and Protest**

*Chair: Hassan Hakimian (London Middle East Institute, SOAS)  
Discussant: Maria Cristina Paciello (Ca' Foscari University of Venice & Istituto Affari Internazionali)*

**Cities and Political Change: Urban Activism in Beirut**

*Mona Harb (American University of Beirut)*

**Young Palestinian Activism beyond Borders. Intersectionality and the Politics of Presence**

*Ruba Salih (Centre for Gender Studies, SOAS)*

**The Economic Agendas of Islamists: Missing Youth in Tunisia and Morocco?**

*Giulia Cimini (L'Orientale University of Naples)*

16.00 – 16.30

**Tea Break**

16.30 – 18.00

**Session 4: Blurring the Boundaries of Activism and Academia**

*Chair: Nadjé Al Ali (Centre for Gender Studies, SOAS)  
Discussant: Mark LeVine (University of California, Irvine)*

**Reconnecting Intellectual Production and Activism: a Palestinian History**

*Mjriam Abu Samra (Amman)*

**Al-Hirak: A Feminist Reading of the 2015 Protests in Lebanon**

*Leen Hashem (Beirut)*

**The Arab Youth Conference for Liberation and Dignity in Tunis, 2012-2013: Lessons Learned from the Attempt of the Palestinian Youth Movement to Take Part in the Revolutionary Processes in the Arab World**

*Omar Alsoumi (Paris)*

18:00

**End**

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SOAS, University of London  
Russell Square  
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## Admission

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