THE PERIPHERIES OF WORLD WAR I
NEW METHODOLOGICAL AND SPATIAL PERSPECTIVES

Workshop

PARTICIPANT AGENDA

NOVEMBER 30 – DECEMBER 2, 2014
DAY 1 & 2 | NYUAD SAADIYAT CAMPUS,
CONFERENCE CENTER
DAY 3 | SOFITEL ABU DHABI CORNICHE HOTEL

Convened by: Valerie Deacon NYU, Martin Klimke NYUAD, and Andrew Patrick Tennessee State University

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 29 | ARRIVAL DAY

VARIABLE

8:30 – 10:30 PM
Arrival Open House
SOFITEL ABU DHABI CORNICHE
TURQUOISE – C, P 3 LEVEL

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 30 | DAY 1

6:30 – 8:30 AM
Breakfast
SOFITEL ABU DHABI CORNICHE
CORNICHE ALL DAY DINING
Buffet breakfast included for hotel guests.

8:30 AM
Prompt Departure for Saadiyat Campus
Group bus will be waiting outside the main entrance of the hotel.

9:00 – 9:20 AM
Coffee & Registration

9:20 – 9:40 AM
Opening Remarks
NYUAD Institute Welcome
Martin Klimke NYUAD and Andrew Patrick Tennessee State University

9:40 – 11:10 AM
SESSION I: Minorities, Identities, and War (A)
Session Chair
Mark Swislocki NYUAD

Peripheries of Belonging: WWI and the making of minority identities in Iraq
Laura Robson Portland State University

Catholics at War: the impact of the First World War on the Catholic institutions of Jerusalem
Roberto Mazza Western Illinois University

11:10 – 11:30 AM
Break & Refreshments
11:30 AM – 1:00 PM  SESSION II: Material Transformations during World War I
   Session Chair  Valerie Deacon  NYU

Barbed Wire, Imperial Peripheries and World War One: The historiography of an object
Alex Barder  Florida International University

The First World War and the Cocoa Industry in British West Africa: A case-study of the hazards of periphery economy
Olisa Godson  University of Ibadan

1:00 – 2:30 PM  Lunch
   NYUAD SAADIYAT CAMPUS

2:30 – 4:00 PM  SESSION III: Persecution and Displacement of Minorities
   Session Chair  Masha Kirasova  NYUAD

Refugees, Rabbits and Soldiers: Alexandria and its Jews during World War One
Dario Miccoli  IREMAM/Aix-Marseille Université

Yezidi Persecution in Eastern Anatolia During World War One
Sebastian Maisel  Grand Valley State University

4:00 – 4:20 PM  Break & Refreshments

4:20 – 5:30 PM  NYUAD Saadiyat Island Campus Walking Tour

6:30 – 8:00 PM  PUBLIC LECTURE
   NYUAD SAADIYAT ISLAND CAMPUS, INSTITUTE CONFERENCE CENTER

An Ottoman History of World War I
Mustafa Aksakal  Georgetown University

Immediately followed by a public reception from 8-8:30pm

8:30 PM  Bus departure to the hotel
   Group bus will be waiting outside main entrance.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 1 | DAY 2

6:30 – 8:30 AM  Breakfast
   SOFITEL ABU DHABI CORNICHE
   CORNICHE ALL DAY DINING
   Buffet breakfast included for hotel guests.

8:30 AM  Prompt departure for the Abu Dhabi city tour
   Group bus will be waiting outside the main entrance of the hotel.

12:00 – 1:30 PM  Lunch
   NYUAD SAADIYAT CAMPUS

1:30 – 3:00 PM  SESSION IV: Comparative Homefronts
   Session Chair  David Mason  Zayed University
Altruistic Soldiers, Blood-Sucking Profiteers: Wartime social identities in the Ottoman Empire during the First World War
Yigit Akin Tulane University

The Cheer-Up Society: The war work of South Australian women on the peripheries of Empire and War
Christeen Schoepf University of New England

3:00 – 3:30 PM Break & Refreshments

3:30 – 5:00 PM SESSION V: Minorities, Identities, and War (B)
Session Chair
Martin Klimke NYUAD

Immigrant Communities Resident in Argentina Facing the Great War
Maria Ines Tato University of Buenos Aires

“Race Troops” in Europe: Black Americans encounter the black French other in World War One
Rachel Gillett (via skype) Harvard University

5:00 PM Bus departure to the hotel

7:30 PM Dinner

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 2 | DAY 3

6:30 – 9:00 AM Breakfast
Sofitel Abu Dhabi Corniche
Corniche All Day Dining
Buffet breakfast included for hotel guests.

9:00 – 9:20 AM Coffee
Sofitel Abu Dhabi Corniche

9:20 – 10:50 AM SESSION VI: Center, Periphery, and Empire (A)
Session Chair
Frauke Heard-Bey CDR Abu Dhabi

Counter-Currents: Mzabi Independence, pan-Ottomanism and WWI in the Maghreb
Amal Ghazal Dalhousie University

The Impact of World War I on the Arab Gulf States
Saif al Bedwawi UAE Armed Forces Military Museum

10:50 – 11:10 AM Break & Refreshments

11:10 AM – 12:40 PM SESSION VII: Center, Periphery, and Empire (B)
Session Chair
Amir Minsky NYUAD

Subject Peoples’ and the Prelude to Peacemaking
Leonard Smith Oberlin College

American Reactions to Global Jihad, 1914
Karine Walther Georgetown University School of Foreign Service in Qatar

12:40 – 2:10 PM Lunch
Sofitel Abu Dhabi Corniche
SESSION VIII: Diplomacy and National Identity during World War I

Session Chair

Roberto Mazza Western Illinois University

Where is Persia and who is Persian? Space and Identity in Iranian foreign policy, 1914-1921

Oliver Bast University of Manchester

Woodrow Wilson, the Ottomans, and the Unintended Consequences of Neutrality

Andrew Patrick Tennessee State University

3:40 – 4:00 PM

Break & Refreshments

4:00-4:40 PM

Roundtable and Wrap-up: Direction in the Study of the First World War

Leonard Smith, Mustafa Aksakal, and Oliver Bast

7:30 PM

Dinner

SOFITEL ABU DHABI CORNICHE

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 3 | DEPARTURE DAY

6:30 – 10:30 AM

Breakfast

SOFITEL ABU DHABI CORNICHE

CORNICHE ALL DAY DINING

Buffet breakfast included for hotel guests.

VARIOUS

Participant Departures

Participants will depart at varying times on the day after the workshop ends. Car service will be provided from the hotel to the airport.