

SIS NEWS

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Letter from the President

SIS is in its 36th year. Normally, when an organization survives for a generation, its members are entitled to pause, reflect, and congratulate each other on the achievement. The road has not always been easy, but somehow the membership has been able to overcome the obstacles and to bring their association into the front rank and, indeed, even leadership, of academic societies dealing with Iran and the Persianate world. Every reason exists to expect continued dedication of the sort that has brought SIS to this level of accomplishment.

As we move, it is hoped, to rename the organization the International Society for Iranian Studies (ISIS), many of us are aware that some of our non-specialist colleagues consider what we do - study Iran and the Persianate world - as somehow of secondary importance. These voices seem to be telling us that if we must study Iran and the Iranian civilization area, let it be

by using them as laboratories for the testing out of concepts and theories arising out of generic studies in the academic disciplines. This suggests that we have little to offer to enrich the creative scholarship of those disciplines, and that mainly our work is limited to seeing how Iranian data do or do not bear out general, not to say, universal, propositions.

To take just one example of the unsoundness of this advice, a large measure of the success achieved in re-orienting the dominant structuralist paradigm for the study of revolution and contentious collective action is due to Iran area specialists who emphasized what the structuralists have downplayed - the importance of cultural and political variables for explaining those phenomena. In a similar way, Iran specialists have contributed to social change theory by stressing recourse to "traditional" modes and discourses in the service of innova-

tion. This focuses upon change as non-unilinear and helps break down dichotomous thinking in the conceptualization of social change.

It seems, therefore, that those of us who "do Iran" and the Persianate world should continue to do what we do best: validate or reject hypotheses coming from the general literature of the academic disciplines by seeing how these propositions "work" when applied to Iran and the Persianate world; but also and equally importantly contribute to the appropriate conceptualizations of those disciplines in the first instance along the pattern just outlined above in regard to the literature on revolution and social change. And in this commendable project, SIS will, I am convinced, play an indispensable role. So congratulations, members, and full speed ahead!

Shahrough Akhavi

New Publisher for Iranian Studies

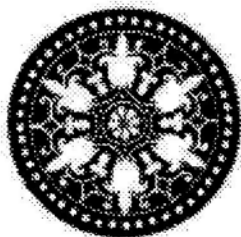
As you may know, the publication of the SIS Journal, *Iranian Studies*, has been entrusted to Taylor & Francis, an experienced and renowned name in the field of publishing.

Taylor & Francis has been publishing peer-reviewed journals for two centuries. Starting with the *Philosophical Magazine*, they have grown to become one of the world's leading academic publishers. With offices in London, Brighton,

Basingstoke and Abingdon in the UK, New York and Philadelphia in the USA and Singapore and Sydney in the Pacific Rim, Taylor & Francis publishes more than 800 journals and around 1,800 new books each year.

They publish over 200 social science and humanities journals, many of which focus on the Middle East, including *Islam and Christian-Muslim Relations*, *Al-Masaq*, *Middle Eastern Literatures*,

Edebiyat, *Critique*, the *British Journal of Middle Eastern Studies* and the *Journal of Muslim Minority Affairs*. In a recent message Richard Delahunty, the Managing Editor of T&F writes, "We are delighted to be publishing Iranian Studies from 2003 and look forward to a happy and successful partnership." SIS also looks forward to a successful partnership.





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Message from the Executive Director

Dear SIS Members,

Greetings!

In the few months since I have taken over the duties of this position from Monica Ringer, I have come to appreciate even more the hard work that she did during her term. She certainly has our gratitude and I wish her much success in her future endeavors.

It is my hope to bring some improvements to SIS during my term. On top of my list is increasing the number of members. Our membership has decreased and I count on all of you to encourage your colleagues to join. I have created a new and updated database, which will be the basis of a new roster, which I hope to complete soon. I also hope to make the newsletter a source of useful information for our members. Please do not hesitate to send your news or any news that may be of interest to fellow members. I will try to fit as much as possible in every issue.

SIS is approaching its fourth decade. It has evolved, and this year we are facing some changes. Taylor & Francis has taken over the publication of our journal, *Iranian Studies*, and by now members should have received the first issue published by T&F (XXXVI/1). The administration of the SIS membership has also been delegated to Taylor & Francis, allowing the Society Council to focus on the journal, the conference and other important issues of concern to SIS, its members and the field of Iranian studies. We hope that T&F's experience in membership management will improve procedures. Questions regarding membership should be directed to Mrs. Jacqueline Tearle, Customer Service Administrator for Societies (Jacqueline.Tearle@tandf.co.uk). We also hope that this change will increase the number of SIS members, which is very important to the financial health of the organization.

Please note the new membership categories and fees, which are listed on the membership form on the back cover. Subscription to the Journal, *Iranian Studies*, without membership at the Society, is US\$74.00. All other categories (retired, family, life and multiple years) have been eliminated. Life memberships will be honored, as will the membership of those who have paid for multiple years.

More good news is that the journal is now on track, thanks to the efforts of our editor, Robert

McChesney. He, along with Rudi Matthee, the journal's Book Review Editor and William Hanaway, its Assistant Book Review Editor, have done a superb job of bringing the journal to its present level. Emily Burnham, Robert's assistant, has been very helpful not only to him, but myself. My thanks to her. Robert, unfortunately, will be stepping down soon as the editor and the Executive Council now has the difficult task of replacing him. Those of you who feel up to the task should look at the announcement on page 8.

One important notice: some of you may have been wondering why you have not received the last issue of 2002 (XXXV/4). This is probably because you have let your membership lapse. You will soon be receiving a letter telling you how you can continue to receive the journal.

The Council is also suggesting some changes in the Constitution of SIS. Times have changed, so has the Society. We feel these changes are necessary for the advancement of SIS and for an improved administration. The suggested changes are on page 3. Please read them carefully. This will be put to a vote soon.

We are already preparing for the next biennial conference, which will be held at the familiar Hyatt Regency Hotel in Bethesda, May 28-30, 2004. Please note the call for papers on page 9. We will be looking forward to seeing you there and especially to hearing about your latest research. We will need some volunteers to help with the registration, so if you are available at that time, please let us know.

Earlier, I sent an e-mail request to members to send in references to their publications and their news, and I received a large number of responses. Members are always interested in the latest research; however, there is a limit to the space I can allocate for this. So please be selective and try to limit yourselves to about three titles. I must ask you to limit the additional descriptions of books and articles to one short sentence. I did not hear about many dissertations in progress or completed. I am particularly interested to mention those. And last, but not least, please send titles in correct bibliographical format.

I welcome your suggestions for the newsletter. I am always eager to hear from you and look forward to meeting you in person at the next meeting.

Haideh Sahim



Amendments to the Constitution

Dear SIS Members,

Like all things in life, the Society for Iranian Studies has evolved. The Council feels that after 36 years, some changes are appropriate. The members of the Council have reviewed the Society's Constitution and suggest the following amendments. Please read them carefully. We shall put these to vote either by ballot or at the annual meeting at the conference. Thank you.

Haideh Sahim, Executive Director

CURRENT LANGUAGE

Article I. Name

This Society shall be known as the Society for Iranian Studies

AMENDMENT TO THIS ARTICLE

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This Society shall be known as the **International Society for Iranian Studies**

Justification: The Society has indeed established itself as an academic organization of international scope over the years since it was established in 1967. This is reflected in the membership of its various administrative units, in the composition of authors writing for its journal, in the participation of scholars participating in the meetings sponsored by the Society, and in the profile of the Society generally.

CURRENT LANGUAGE

Article II. Objectives

The purposes of this Society

—to encourage the study of Iranian culture and society, including the history, languages, literature, the arts, as well as Iran's contemporary social, economic, and political situation;

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Justification: Pluralizing the word "literature" indicates that there is, indeed, more than one body of literature relative to Iranian studies in their broader sense.

CURRENT LANGUAGE

Article III. Membership

1. Categories of Membership. There shall be five categories of members: Regular Members, Student Members, Honorary Member [sic], Family Members and Institutional Members.

AMENDMENT TO THIS ARTICLE

Article III: Membership

1. Categories of Membership. There shall be four categories of members: Regular Members, Student Members, Honorary Members, and Institutional Members.

Justification: The category of Family Member has been eliminated by mandate of Taylor & Francis on grounds that it impossibly complicates their accounting procedures. There are very few in this category at any rate, so this is not a major problem for the Society.

NOTE: Although the following membership categories are not mentioned in the Constitution, SIS has nonetheless maintained them on a de facto basis in the past. (1) Retired; (2) Life. Taylor & Francis have also mandated the elimination of these de facto categories. However, those in the past who have been granted Life Memberships will continue to enjoy this status.

CURRENT LANGUAGE

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1.c. ... Honorary Members shall be entitled to all rights and duties of Members but shall not pay dues.

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CURRENT LANGUAGE

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1.d. Family members. Couples who have been admitted individually as members will be considered Family Members upon their written request and will pay reduced annual dues and will receive one set of newsletters and journals.

AMENDMENT TO THIS ARTICLE

Paragraph 1.d. is annulled, per the above action of eliminating the category of Family Members.

CURRENT LANGUAGE

Article V. The Council

2. *Members of the Council:* The Council shall consist of eleven voting persons: the President, the President-Elect, the Immediate past President, six regular members, and two student members.

AMENDMENT TO THIS ARTICLE

Article V. The Council

2. *Members of the Council:* The Council shall consist of twelve voting persons: the President, the President-Elect, the Immediate past President, the Executive Director, ex officio, six regular members, and two student members.

Justification: This amendment contains two changes. It increases the number of the Council membership from 11 to 12, and adds the Executive Director of the Society ex officio. Increasing Council membership by one additional member enhances the voice of the general members of the Society in the proceedings of the

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Council. Adding the Executive Director ex officio makes it more effective and efficient to retrieve or recall the deliberations of the Council on matters before it.

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Nominating Committee: The Nominating Committee shall be constituted of two members appointed by the Council and two members selected by the membership at the Annual Business Meeting.

AMENDMENT TO THIS ARTICLE**Article VIII. Elections**

Nominating Committee: The Nominating Committee shall be constituted of two members appointed by the Council and two members selected by the membership at the Annual General Meeting.

Justification: This amendment changes the phrase "Annual Business Meeting" to "Annual General Meeting." As more than "business" in the literal sense takes place at this annual meeting, the change conforms to the dictum of "truth in packaging."

NEW AMENDMENT:

All individuals serving on any committees or boards or other units of the Society must be members in good standing at the time of their election or appointment.

Justification: It seems self-evident that officers of the Society should be members, as membership is the best means to assure commitment to the Society's mission and objectives.

NEW AMENDMENT:

Individuals presenting papers to conferences sponsored by the Society must officially register at such conferences prior to making their presentations. ➔

New Chair in Iranian Studies

The Department of Near Eastern Languages & Cultures at the University of California, Los Angeles, announces an open rank, tenure-track position for the **Musa Sabi Term Chair in Iranian Studies** effective July 1, 2004. Candidates should hold a Ph.D. degree, and display a high level of competence in Iranian languages and the literary traditions of the Islamic period. Candidates will be expected to teach undergraduate and graduate courses in Iranian languages, literature, and civilization. Preference will be given to candidates willing to participate in a variety of interdisciplinary courses within the department. Applications containing a curriculum vitae, a list of publications, and the names of three referees should be directed to Chair of the Search Committee for Iranian Studies, Department of Near Eastern Languages and Cultures, Kinsey Hall 376, UCLA, Los Angeles, CA 90095-1511. Deadline for applications is

October 1, 2003. The University of California is an equal opportunity employer. The position is contingent on budgetary approval.

This year UCLA has invited Dr. Rahim Shayegan and Dr. Ali Gheissari to offer courses as Visiting Professor of the Sabi endowment fund. UCLA may/may not continue the position on a visiting basis depending on the results of the chair search. The courses the visitors are offering are:

Dr. Rahim Shayegan: Iranian 180A: Intro to Iranian Civilization (The course concentrates on pre-Islamic Iran and specifically on the Sassanid dynastic history.

Shayegan: Iranian 231A: Middle Iranian. The course introduces students to the Sassanid Middle Persian language.

Dr. Ali Gheissari: Iranian 180B: Intro to Iranian Civilization (The course covers the medieval intellectual history of Islamic Iran).

The Sabi Chair in Iranian Studies was established by the Sabi family in the memory of the late Musa Sabi, a prominent lawyer, author and translator. Musa Sabi was born in Kerman in 1914 and was educated in Kerman and at the Staurt Memorial College in Isfahan. He later entered Tehran University and received a law degree in 1939 and became one of the most prominent international lawyers in Iran. He translated many tomes of Iranian law into English, among them the civil code and the penal code. Sabi had a great love for Persian literature and knowledge of Persian poetry. He passed away in May 1987.

Justification: It is only fair that scholars who seek to present their research to functions sponsored by the Society pay the registration fee for those functions.

NOTE: There is some support for a stronger version of this Amendment, which Council members may wish to also consider. It would mandate that any scholars who present findings of their research at conferences sponsored by the Society be members of the Society; or, in the case of co-authored presentations, that at least one of the co-authors be a member.

NEW AMENDMENT:

The title of Executive Secretary will be changed to Executive Director.

Justification: This amendment is in keeping with the nomenclature used by other organizations with which SIS is associated, such as MESA. Executive Secretary is increasingly falling out of use among academic organizations. More importantly, the title of Executive Director enhances the stature of the person who fills this position and facilitates recruitment to this position. ●

First Biennial ASPS Convention Held In Dushanbe, Tajikistan

With the cooperation of The Academy of Science of the Republic of Tajikistan, the Rudaki Institute of Language and Literature, and the SOROS Foundation, the first Biennial Convention of The Association for the Study of Persianate Studies (ASPS) was held in Dushanbe, Tajikistan on 15-18 September, 2002. Over 60 participants from Armenia, China, India, Iran, Poland, Portugal, Russia, Tajikistan, Uzbekistan and the USA presented papers covering a broad range of topics that included folklore and oral studies, pre-Islamic culture, documents and sources, Persian literature, Sufism, social and cultural development, economic history, historiography, modernity and its challenges, historical linguistics, and art and architecture. In addition to 20 panels of scholarly papers, Said Amir Arjomand delivered a Presidential Address entitled, "Social Sciences and the Appropriation of Persianate Historical Memory." A banquet held on the last day of the convention brought it to a festive conclusion.

During the course of the convention, participants had the opportunity to visit the manuscript collection of the Institute of Oriental Studies, the Rudaki Institute of

Language and Literature, and the Archaeology Museum. Following the conference, participants made various excursions to Varzob, Hisar, Khojand, and Kulob.

The Tajik Organizing Committee, directed by Dr. Dodikhudo Saimiddinov, Director of the Rudaki Institute of Language and Literature and Dr. Bahriddin Aliev, Secretary-Treasurer of ASPS Tajikistan, did an excellent job of coordinating the conference in Dushanbe, working with the US ASPS Program Committee which was chaired by Jo-Ann Gross. The generous support of the Open Society Institute, Tajikistan, the East-East Foundation, and the National Commission of UNESCO, Tajikistan, helped make this extraordinary gathering of scholars possible.

At the conclusion of the convention, on 18 September, the first meeting of the representatives of the Regional Councils of ASPS took place. In addition to discussing activities for 2002-03, plans for the next Biennial Convention in 2004 were considered, and it was agreed that the next convention would be held in Armenia in March, 2004.

The Legacy of Gengiz Khan

Linda Komaroff, the Curator of Islamic Art at Los Angeles County Museum of Arts (LACMA), has organized an international conference, **Beyond the Legacy of Gengiz Khan**, at Los Angeles County Museum of Art, Leo S. Bing Theater, on Friday, June 13 and Saturday, June 14, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.; Sunday, June 15, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

The symposium will be held in connection with the exhibition **The Legacy of Genghis Khan, Courtly Art and Culture in Western Asia, 1256-1353**, which explores the important artistic developments that occurred in the Iranian world as a result of the Mongol conquest of both western and eastern Asia. The Legacy of Genghis Khan focuses on the period of Ilkhanid rule—an era that witnessed extraordinary achievements within the sphere of Persian art and culture. The exhibition is complimented and amplified by a fully illustrated catalogue. The Legacy of Genghis Khan will be on view at LACMA from April 13 through July 27, 2003.

Assembling some twenty-five internationally renowned scholars, including historians, art historians, and archaeologists, this symposium will

build on the scholarship and momentum of the exhibition and move beyond the scope of the catalogue, further advancing our knowledge of this seminal period. Free of charge and open to the public. For further information call (323) 857-6011.

Call for Papers

The SIS Journal plans to devote one of the next issues to the theme of methodological issues in anthropological/ethnographic work in Iran or with Iranians abroad. The project was started by Mary Hegland and is currently taken over by Erika Loeffler Friedl, who will take care of eliciting, collation and first editing of contributions. The editors in particular welcome articles from those who were recently in Iran doing fieldwork.

Please contact: Erika Loeffler Friedl, Dept of Anthropology, Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, MI 49008. Tel: 269 344 7044. E-Mail: <Erika.Loeffler@wmich.edu>

From the Moshe Dayan Center for Middle Eastern and African Studies

Earlier this year, two of the Center's faculty, Senior Research Fellow Prof. David Menashri and Senior Research Fellow Dr. Meir Litvak lectured at Princeton University's Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs. Prof. Menashri spoke on "Iran and Israel: A Couple at Odds," on February 12. Dr. Litvak spoke on the "Islamization of the Arab-Israeli Conflict" on February 5.

Both lectures were taped for webcast. To view the webcasts, please visit our website at <http://www.dayan.org> and click on Lectures.

Foundation for Iranian Studies Dissertation Award

The Foundation for Iranian Studies awards an annual prize of \$1,000 to the best Ph.D. dissertation in the field of Iranian studies. Subject to budgetary considerations and the decision of an advisory board of readers, the Foundation may also help toward the publication of outstanding dissertations.

Dissertations must be nominated by the author's advisor and be accompanied by the Dissertation Committee's letter of acceptance. Applicants should submit two copies of the dissertation to: Secretary, Foundation for Iranian Studies, 4343 Montgomery Avenue, Suite 200, Bethesda, MD. 20814

Deadline for Submissions is August 1. The award is announced in October of the year for which it is granted. The Foundation may also recognize up to two runner-up dissertations with honorable mention.

The Committee on the Selection of Best Dissertation of the Year on a Topic of Iranian Studies of the Foundation for Iranian Studies makes its decision following the criteria established by the Foundation Board that include the following: contribution to the field of Iranian Studies, imagination, novelty of approach, clarity in stating the problematic, theoretical foundation, methodological rigor, quality of sources, efficient and intelligent use of primary source material, quality of field work, ability to relate theory, method and fact, sensitivity to signification and nuance in linguistic analysis, good use of language in writing, attention to detail, organization of the work. See: <http://www.fis-iran.org/prize.htm>

Announcements ...

Numismatic Conference

The Heritage of Sasanian Iran: Dinars, Drahms and Coppers of the Late Sasanian and Early Muslim Periods is a conference sponsored by The American Numismatic Society; The Society for Iranian Studies, The Center for Iranian Studies, Columbia University, Middle East Medievalists and MONETA (numismatic books), which will be held at the American Numismatic Society at Broadway at 155th Street, New York, NY, on Thursday and Friday, June 19 and 20, 2003.

As in previous years, the conference speakers will be a number of internationally renowned scholars of the field. The introductory lecture will be by Michael Bates of the ANS on *The Coinage of Iran and its Neighbors in the Seventh Century*. The plenary lecture by Dr. Michael Alram of Kunst-historisches Museum, Vienna, will be on *Ardashir and the Power of Images*.

Other papers include *Sasanian Hoards of Georgia* by Georges Depeyrot (CNRS, Centre de recherches historiques, France); *Finds and Circulations of Sasanian Coins at the Baltic Sea Area* by Marta Czerwieniec (University of Poznan, Poland); *Drahms of Varahran VI in the Collection of the Georgian State Museum, Iberia According to Sasanian Epigraphical Evidences* and *A Seal of Sasanian Period from the GSM Collection* by Medea Tsotselia (The Janashia Georgian State Museum, Tbilisi, Georgia); *The Role of Silver in the Supply of the Late Roman and Byzantine Wars against the Sasanian Empire* by Delia Moisil (National Museum of the History of Romania, Romania); *Distinguishing Piety: Religion and Government in Documentary Sources of the Early Muslim Period* by Stuart D. Sears (The American University in Cairo, Egypt); *Sasanian Drachmae, Ubayd Allah*

b. Ziyad, and Karbala: An Historical Approach to Some Numismatic Problems by Ali J. Hussain (Loyola University, Chicago, IL) and *Recon-sideration of the Coinage at the Mint 'Da' and its Variants* by Kameya Manabu (Hokkaido University, Japan). In addition, there will be a workshop on "Reading Pahlavi Legends" and a round table discussion.

Conference registration (includes two lunches) before June 5th is US\$44.00 for the general public and \$25.00 for students; after June 5th it will be \$54.00 and \$30.00, respectively. Make checks payable to "The American Numismatic Society - The Heritage of Sasanian Iran" and send to: Stuart D. Sears, 263 Concord Rd., Longmeadow MA 01106.

For more information contact the American Numismatic Society, Broadway Avenue and 155th Street, New York, NY.

ASPS 2nd Biennial Convention

The Association for the Study of Persianate Societies (ASPS) calls for your participation in its Second Biennial Convention, titled "Society, History and Culture in the Persianate World," to take place in Yerevan, Armenia, 2-4 April 2004. Interested scholars in the U.S. should send their name, address, e-mail address, affiliation, title of proposed paper and a 1-2 page abstract to:

Prof. Rudi Matthee

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Proposals for special panels from Europe and Russia, India, Iran, Pakistan, Tajikistan and Uzbekistan should be submitted either directly or through one of our regional offices listed below. Proposals sent by e-mail or fax will be

accepted. Topics include culture, language and literature, religion and philosophy, democracy and civil society, politics, economic history, technology and economy, history and memory, and art, archaeology and architecture. The deadline for submissions is July 15, 2003. It is anticipated that ASPS will obtain a grant to reimburse travel expenses for participants from India, Pakistan, Central Asia, Eastern Europe and Russia, and to assist participants from the United States and Western Europe who are not supported by their own institutions. ASPS, Iran, will seek a similar grant to cover travel expenses of participants from Iran.

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Call for Papers

Central Eurasian Studies Society

2003 Annual Conference

Please mark your calendar for next year's CESS Annual Conference, which will be held at Harvard University in Cambridge, Massachusetts on October 2-5, 2003. We will send out the full Call for Papers shortly. Note that the date is one week earlier than was indicated in the announcement in the fall issue of CES Review. We are interested in a couple more volunteers to join the Conference Committee and help in conference organization — especially people in the Boston area. Regarding this and other questions, contact John Schoeberlein (Conference Committee Chair) at <CESS@fas.harvard.edu>. More information is available at:

http://cess.fas.harvard.edu/CESS_Conference.html

Central Eurasian Studies Review. Articles for publication in the spring issue of CESR are currently being welcomed. See the webpage for details:

http://cess.fas.harvard.edu/CESS_Review.html (or contact Dr. Virginia Martin, CESR Editor-in-Chief if you can't get the information from the website: <martinvi@email.uah.edu>).

Workshop

Triumphs and Travails of Authoritarian Modernization in Turkey and Iran

Amsterdam

19-20 September 2003

The International Institute of Social History (IISH) in Amsterdam is organizing a workshop on the Triumphs and Travails of Authoritarian Modernization in Turkey and Iran. The participants in the workshop will endeavor to trace accommodation and resistance to authoritarian modernization in Turkey and Iran from a subaltern groups perspective. In other words, it will be a study of history from below.

The following themes are the main topic of the workshop: historiography and methodology, gender, ethnicity, industrial and non-industrial urban laborer, peasants, immigrant laborers and unemployed. The Workshop is scheduled for 19-20 September 2003.

The convener of the workshop is:

Prof. dr. T. Atabaki,

Department of the Middle East and Central Asia,

International Institute of Social History,

Amsterdam, The Netherlands

www.iisg.nl/meca

Call for Papers

Iranology Foundation of Iran is planning a series of conferences on the History of Iranology and Its Achievements up to the Present in Tehran in 2003 and 2004.

These conferences will conduct research and will focus on the literature, achievements and the present state of Iranian studies in six separate regions: Iran and the Subcontinent; Iran and Central Asia, the Caucasus, Afghanistan, Turkey, Russia, and Eastern Europe; Iran and other European countries (Northern, Western, Central, and Southern Europe); Iran and Arab countries and Africa; Iran and the Far East (especially including China, Japan, Indonesia, and Malaysia), and Oceania; and Iran and Canada, North, Central and South America. The topics will include, among others, Persian literature; Iran's economy, archaeology, history, historical geography, and folk history; society and social relations in Iran; Iranian law (public and private); Iranian languages and linguistics; anthropology in Iran; and Persian arts.

The Iranology Foundation warmly welcomes the presence and active and effective participation of scholars, analysts and researchers in Iranology with a background in modern and contemporary Iranian studies and research, and also those who possess useful information on the history of Iranology in one or more regions mentioned.

For more information visit

< <http://www.iranologyfo.net> > or contact < mh_soleimani@yahoo.com >.

Comparative Studies of South Asia, Africa, and the Middle East

Call for Papers

"Mourning and Memory"

Comparative Studies of South Asia, Africa, and the Middle East seeks critical essays for a special issue entitled "Mourning and Memory," for which we solicit papers exploring themes such as: public memory and mourning as instruments of power and authority, or resistance and rebellion; the significance of public mourning to nationalism, identity, fundamentalism, gender, or social power dynamics; ways of approaching the traumatic past, genocide, disaster, famine; traditional and reinvented mourning rituals, lamentations.

Please submit essays of between 5,000 and 12,000 words (note and reference inclusive) by July 1, 2003. Essays should be formatted in Chicago style and use the Library of Congress transliteration system for Romanization, without diacritical marks. Further formatting information is available on our website at

<www.cssaame.ilstu.edu>.

We prefer electronic submissions to: Kamran Aghaie (kamranA@mail.utexas.edu) and Rebecca Saunders (rasaund@ilstu.edu), though essays may also be submitted in hardcopy to The University of Texas at Austin, Dept. of Middle Eastern Studies, 1 University Station #F1500, Austin, TX 78712-0482.

If you have questions you can also call (512) 475-6400 or send a FAX to (512) 471-1365. We also welcome relevant books for review or proposals for review essays.



Encyclopædia Iranica

Fascicles 5 and 6 of Volume XI Published

Two new fascicles of volume XI were published in 2003 with articles Hadith, including "Hadith in Ismailism", "Hadith in Sufism" and "Hadith as Influenced by Iranian Ideas". Fascicle 5 features 14 articles on Hafez, which discuss the many aspects of the poet's work. The two fascicles include major series of articles on Hamadan. These entries cover the city's geography and history, as well as its peoples. Also

included are entries on various archeological sites, such as "Haft Tepe", and pre-Islamic religion and culture, such as "Haftvad" and "Harem in ancient Iran". Other entries cover topics such as "Hamza b. Azarak", "Halabi", "Hamid-al-Din Kermani", "Hallaj" and "Hagiographic Literature". Judeo-Persian entries include "Haim, Soleyman" and "Haman". There are twelve entries on Persian literature, from "Haft Khan" to

"Hamza-Nama", and from "Hajw" to "Hamidi Shirazi". "Haft Khosravani" is among the articles on Persian music. The articles on folklore include "Haji Firuz" and "Haft Sin" and there are entries on "Halwa" and "Halim". There are eight entries on the Persian presence in neighboring countries and other articles on subjects like "Hamun Geography", "Hammam-e Vakil" and "Haji Baba".

Announcement

Editorship of *Iranian Studies: The Journal of the Society for Iranian Studies*

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Obituary

Franz Rosenthal 1923-2003

Franz Rosenthal, a great and irreplaceable scholar of history and Semitics passed away earlier this year.

Born in Berlin in 1923, Rosenthal studied Classical and Oriental languages and civilizations at the University of Berlin, where he received a doctorate in 1935. After only one year of teaching in Italy, with the rise of Nazis, he left for Sweden with the help of another Semitist and Iranist, H. S. Nyberg. In 1943 he became a U.S. citizen, joined the Army and went to war.

At the time of his arrival in the United States, there were few professional Arabists in American Universities.

According to B. R. Foster, Professor of Near Eastern Languages and Civilizations at Yale University, "The growth of a dynamic American discipline of Arabic and Islamic Studies, with high scholarly standards, was strongly stimulated by his precept, example and prodigious scholarly output."

Rosenthal had published numerous books and articles. He had translated and annotated parts of the the history of Tabari. His interest and his scholarship,

however, extended beyond history. He was an prominent Semitic philologist, a social historian, an Arabist and an Aramaic scholar. His best-known work is probably his monumental translation of Ibn Khaldun's *Muqaddima*. He is also the author of *A History of Islamic Historiography*, which has now become a classic. Among his other works are *A Grammar of Biblical Aramaic*, *Humor in Early Islam*, *Muslim Concepts of Freedom*, *Classical Heritage in Islam and Gambling in Islam*.

Prof. Rosenthal never married and most of his family perished in Nazi concentration camps.

Call for Papers

Fifth Biennial Conference on Iranian Studies

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Hyatt Regency Hotel, Bethesda, MD

The Program Committee welcomes contributions in all fields of Iranian studies, especially new areas of investigation and/or novel approaches to traditional fields. Pre-organized panels and interdisciplinary panels, which attempt to establish dialogue between the many disciplines encompassed by Iranian studies, are particularly welcome.

The deadline for the submission of abstracts is September 30, 2003. The abstracts must be limited to 250-300 words, and must present a succinct outline of the central theme and main argument of the paper. Abstracts should be sent by e-mail to: Nasrine.Rahimieh@ualberta.ca or Rahimieh@mcmaster.ca only after July 1, 2003. Confirmation will be sent by e-mail. Please also send paper copy of abstracts to:

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The conference will be held at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Bethesda. Arrangements have been made for reduced rates. To make hotel reservations, contact the Hyatt Regency Hotel directly at 1-800-233-1234 or the conference site at the following address:

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CALL FOR PAPERS

CARPETS AND TEXTILES IN THE IRANIAN WORLD 1400-1700 Conference

Ashmolean Museum, University of Oxford, August 30-31, 2003

Organized by

The Beattie Carpet Archive at the Ashmolean Museum and the Iran Heritage Foundation
Conveners: Jon Thompson, Willem Floor and Farhad Hakimzadeh

The foundations of Iranian textile and carpet studies were laid by a generation of eminent scholars who combined skills in local languages with a deep knowledge of the broader aspects of Islamic art and its history.

Currently there is a gap between historians of the social, economic and literary life of the Iranian World and scholars focused primarily on objects. Opportunities for the development of new insights through interdisciplinary contacts are rare.

Now that carpet studies has, for the first time, been given a recognized place at the University of Oxford, it is timely that a serious attempt be made to bring together scholars from different disciplines whose individual expertise could illuminate different aspects of the history of carpets and textiles. A conference is therefore planned that will focus on carpets and textiles of the Iranian World, concentrating on the Timurid and Safavid periods. The approach will be interdisciplinary rather than object-oriented.

Anyone interested in participating in this conference should have submitted a 200 word abstract of their proposed paper to the conveners by 1 March 2003. Even those who will not be able to attend are invited to give us suggestions about topics for the conference and persons that may clarify them.

Publication of proceedings: Those invited to contribute to the conference will be asked to write up their oral presentation. The papers, together with the comments made during the conference, will be published in a format yet to be decided. We are ONLY interested in papers of publishable quality (i.e. no work in progress reports, no papers which have been promised to another publication [journal or edited volume], no papers that can not be published for any other reason).

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Jami' al-Tavarikh Translation and Edition Project

The Iran Heritage Foundation has taken on the task of bringing together scholars and experts in a variety of disciplines in order to produce a definitive and complete annotated English translation of the *Jami' al-Tavarikh* together with a text edition of the entire work. The importance of Rashid al-Din's *Jami' al-Tavarikh* cannot be overstated. It has frequently been described as the first true "World History", and is undoubtedly the most important single historical source for the Mongol Empire as a whole, including the realm of the Persian Ilkhans. This project is jointly organized by the Iran Heritage Foundation and the Faculty of Oriental Studies (University of Cambridge).
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Query

I'm writing regarding a conference I'm organizing, to be held at Brown University's Watson Institute for International Studies in the fall of 2003. The subject, religion in the curricula of Middle Eastern schools, focuses on the ways religion is deployed in high school curricula — whether in Saudi Arabia, Israel, or elsewhere — to create categories of inclusion and exclusion. Given the very real consequences of American media focus on Muslim curricula, a comparative look at these curricula is critical.

I'm searching for the names of people who might be willing and able to present papers that focus on curricula in Iran, Syria, Iraq, Saudi Arabia or Kuwait and possibly a North African state. Do any of you have suggestions?

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Obituary

Annemarie Schimmel 1922-2003

Professor Annemarie Schimmel, one of the 20th century's most influential scholars of Islam, passed away in Bonn on January 26, 2003, at the age of 80. She was recognized as one of the world's greatest authorities on Islam and Sufism.

Born in Erfurt, Germany on April 7, 1922, she began studying Arabic at the age of 15 and earned a doctorate in Islamic languages from the University of Berlin in 1941, when she was just 19. At 23 she became the Professor of Arabic and Islamic Studies at the University of Marburg where she earned a second doctorate in the History of Religions. In 1954 she was appointed Professor of the History of Religion at the University of Ankara where she taught in Turkish. She ended her academic career as a Professor of Indo-Muslim Culture at Harvard, where she taught from 1970 to 1992.

Her consuming passion, though, was Sufism. Even prominent Sufis acknowledged her as one of the foremost experts on their history and tradition.

Prof. Schimmel received numerous awards and honorary degrees, including the highest civil award of Pakistan, the Hilal-el-Imtiaz. In addition, The Annemarie Schimmel scholarship was founded in 1988 in her honor to commemorate her great contribution to culture and poetry in Pakistan and her role as a dedicated woman scholar. The range of her knowledge was legendary, extending from religion into literature and art. Not only was she fluent in German, English and French, but she also spoke Arabic, Persian and Turkish, Urdu, Sindhi, Punjabi and Pashto.

She wrote more than 50 books and hundreds of articles in journals around the world. Among her books are *The Triumphal Sun: A Study of the Works of Jalaladdin Rumi*, *A Two Colored Brocade: The Imagery of Persian Poetry*, *The Mystery of Numbers*, *Bihzad: Master of Persian Painting*, and *Mystical Dimensions of Islam*.

She will be missed.



From Pen to Print: New and Noteworthy

The editor welcomes information on recently published books and articles related to Iranian studies. Particularly welcome is news about dissertations in progress or completed. However, all such material is expected to be in proper bibliographic format, which must include author, title, place and date of publication. In case of dissertations, university and date of completion must be included. Incomplete information or information that is not in such format will not be printed. If you think that your title does not reflect the content and would like to include a description of your book, please do so in one short sentence only.

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- <http://web.mit.edu/isd/gateway.htm> Iranian Development Gateway Project at MIT. Its main goal is to identify and link reliable and informative sources on the issues of development, politics, economy, industry, law and the social system in Iran available on the net.
- <http://www.negaraesh.de> > <http://www.negaraesh.de> Political analysis
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- <http://www.iranheritage.org> Information on this Iranian cultural organization in London.
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<http://depts.washington.edu/yekruz/> —Very useful for students wishing to improve their Persian.
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