

New Approaches to Khārijite History, 7th-10th Century CE

University of Hamburg, 16-17 October 2025

Workshop
Akademischer Senatssaal (AS-Saal), Main Building (ESA-1), 2nd floor

Programme

Thursday, 16 October 2025

09:30-10:00: Teresa Bernheimer (Munich) & Hannah-Lena Hagemann (Hamburg): Welcome and Introductory Remarks

10:00-11:00: Teresa Bernheimer (Munich): “Qaṭarī b. al-Fujā’a and the Complexities of Early Islamic History”

11:00-11:30: Coffee Break

11:30-12:30: Stuart Sears (Independent Scholar): “Imagined Communities: The Role of Persianate Arabs in the Movements of the Azāriqa and ‘Aṭawīya”

12:30-1:30: Lunch

1:30-2:30: Enki Baptiste (Paris), “Khārijism in Eastern Arabia under the Umayyads: Social Context, Tribal Contention, and Political Vacuum”

2:30-3:00: Coffee Break

3:00-4:00: Natalie Kontny-Wendt (Hamburg): “Entangled Communities: Khārijī Supporters of Pro-‘Alid Rebellions in the 8th Century CE”

4:00-4:30: Coffee Break

4:30-5:30: Aliya A. Ali (Cambridge): “The Tribal Roots of Khārijite Rebellion”

6:30 *Dinner*

Friday, 17 October 2025

09:00-10:00: Hannah-Lena Hagemann (Hamburg): “Khārijite Revolt and Fiscal Policy in the Jazīra, 7th-9th Century CE”

10:00-10:30: Coffee Break

10:30-11:30: Corisande Fenwick (London), “Khārijites in the Far West: Mining, Minting and Desert Economies in Southern Morocco in the Late Eighth and Ninth Centuries”

11:30-12:30: Nora K. Schmid (Tübingen), “The Female Voice in Early Khārijite Political Discourse”

12:30-1:30: Lunch

1:30-2:30: Jürgen Paul (Hamburg): “The Khawārij in Sīstān and the Eastern Frontier”

2:30-3:00: Coffee Break

3:00-4:00: Khodadad Rezakhani (Leiden): “The Islamic Far East in the Late Ninth Century: Yaquḥ b. Laith and the Khariji State of Sistan”

4:00-4:30: Coffee Break

4:30-5:30: General discussion

7:00 *Informal dinner*

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