Papers and Publication:

A selection of papers presented at the conference will be published in a peer-reviewed co-edited volume by Zaid Eyadat, Francesca Corrao, and Mohammed Hashas.

We do welcome original papers on the themes of the conference from various academic disciplines. A Call for Papers will follow.

Those interested in contributing to the volume, please do contact M. Hashas, the coordinator of the project, at: hashasmohammed@gmail.com (mhashas@luiss.it).

Attendance:

Attendance is open and free but registration is required for space management. Please write to Odetta Pizzingrilli, assistant of Professor Francesca Corrao, chair of Arab-Islamic Studies and director of MISLAM Master Programme in LUISS: opizzingrilli@luiss.it

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International Study Day

Mohammed Abed Al Jabri and the Future of the Arab World
Islam, State and Modernity

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5 May 2015
LUISS Guido Carli University of Rome
Viale Romania 32, 00197 Rome, Italy
Room 405 morning/AT03 afternoon, 08:30-18:30.

Conveners:

Corrao Francesca, chair of Arabic Studies and director of MISLAM Master, LUISS Guido Carli
Eyadat Zaid, Vice-dean of IR Faculty at the University of Jordan, and Chairman of the Board in ARDD organization; and Samar Muhareb, Director of ARDD Organization.

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Keynotes:

Abouyoub Hassan, Ambassador of Morocco in Italy, Campanini Massimo, Trento University, Italy, Dallmayr Fred, Notre Dame University, USA, Eyadat Zaid, University of Jordan, Filali Ansari Abdu, Agha Khan University, London, UK, Maffettone Sebastiano, LUISS University, Italy, Saaf Abdallah, Mohamed V University in Rabat, Morocco

Participating scholars:

Alicino Francesco (Lum Jean Monnet University in Bari), Amoretti Juan Macías (University of Granada), Aydin Cenap (Tevere Institute for Dialogue, Rome), Faruqi Daanish (Duke University, USA), Barghouti Abdul Karim (Birzeit University), Brahim Mohamed Amine (School for Advanced Studies in the Social Sciences (EHess)), Carbonl Kinira Monica (LUISS University), Decaro Carmela (LUISS University), El Ahmadi Mhomsine (Qadi Ayyad University of Marrakech), El-Jaich Saer (Copenhagen University), Gentile Valentina (LUISS University), Hegasy Sonja (Zentrum Moderner Orient ZMO, Berlin), Jebari Idriiss (University of Oxford), Laviano Mariangela (PISAI, Rome), Muhareb Samar (ARDD-Legal Aid, Jordan), Redouane Abdellah (Secretary General of the Islamic Cultural Center of Rome).
Prelude:

The Moroccan philosopher Mohammed Abed Al Jabri (27 Dec. 1935 – 03 May 2010) has marked contemporary Arab and Islamic thought with his voluminous works of categorizing and systematizing the tradition. His approach has great impact on the study of Arab-Islamic traditions. Current and future generations have either to study Al Jabri and build on his projects, or give solid arguments as to why not doing so. As one of the early postcolonial Arab philosophers, Al Jabri raised critical issues that he considered existential for intellectual and political renewal in the region. Unlike apologetics or rejectionists of the tradition, the neo-rationalist, and neo-Averroist, opted for a mid-position to practice “critique” for renewal “from within.” [...] On the occasion of commemorating his fifth anniversary (d. 3 May 2010), and in the light of the ongoing political events of the Arab Spring, this conference examines especially the following issues:

- Arab Reason: Past, Present, and Future
- Arab-Islamic Political Thought
- Arab-Islamic Ethical Thought
- Religion and Politics: State Formation and Democracy
- Human Rights and the Public Good
- Education for Arab Renewal
- The Arab revolts in Al Jabri’s Thought.

Study Day Proceedings, 5 May 2015, Room 405

08:30 – 09:00 am – Registration
09:00 Opening Session: The Legacy of Al Jabri in Arab-Islamic Thought

Chair and Introduction: Francesca Corrao
Massimo Egidi, Rector
Hassan Abouyoub, Ambassador of Morocco in Italy

Zaid Eyadat, Vice-dean of International Relations Faculty at the University of Jordan, and Chairman of the Board in ARDD organization
09:30 - Abdallah Saaf, title forthcoming (with translation)
10:00 - Abdou Filali-Ansari, “Intellectual Traditions in Muslim Contexts”
10:20 - Sebastiano Maffettone, “The Legacy of Al-Jabri and Arab Political Theory Today”

Discussion
11:00-11:15 Coffee Break

Session I – Al Jabri and the Process of Democratization from Within

11:15 - Chair and Introduction: Zaid Eyadat
“Mohammed Abed al-Jabri and Ethics in Arab-Islamic Thought: Then What?”
11:40 - Fred Dallmayr, “No Spring but Many Seasons: Al-Jabri on Islamic Democracy”
12:00 - Mohsine El Ahmadi, “Religion and State in the Mind of Mohammed Abed al-Jabri”
12:20 - Sonja Hegasy, “Dare to know – What Mohamed Abed al-Jabri Tells Arab Societies Today?”
12:40 Mohammed Hashas, “Al-Jabri’s Political Idea of the Historical Block as a Public Good for a Renewed Arab Ethical Reason”

Discussion
13:30 – 14:30- Lunch

Session II - Al Jabri’s Historicism for a Modern Reading of the Tradition, Room AT03

14:30- Chair and Introduction: Abdul Karim Barghouti
“Arabs of the Pre-Islamic Mission: Between Critique of the Arab Mind and Critique of the Arab Mind”

14:50 - Massimo Campanini, “Mohammed al-Jabri, Abdallah Laroui and Ibn Khaldun: for an Ontology of Modernity”
15:10 - Juan A. Macias Amoretti, “Reforming the Reform: Al-Jabris’ Critical Approach to Contemporary Arab Political Processes”
15:30 - Idriss Jebri, “An Intellectual between the Maghreb and the Mashreq: on the Location of Thought”
15:45 - Kinira Carbone, “The Arab Reader by M. A. Al-Jabri”

Discussion
16:00 Session III – Revisiting Sharia Objectives for Renewal

Chair and Introduction: Samar Muhareb
16:15 - Daanish Faruqi, “Reconstructing Arabic Reason on its Higher Objectives: The Place of Maqāṣid al-Shari‘ah in the thought of Muḥammad ‘Abd al-Jābīrī”
16:30 - Mariangela Laviano, “Muḥammad ‘Abd-al-Ǧabīrī and the Presentation of the Qur‘ān”
16:45 - Francesco Alicino, “Muḥammad Abū al-Jabri and the Place of Religion: Knocking on the Secular State and Human Rights”
17:00 - Mohamed Amine Brahimi, “The Occulted Author: Bibliometric Analysis of Mohammed Abed Al-Jabri in French and American Scholarship between 1994 and 2014”

Discussion
17:30 – 18:30 Roundtable: Pathways for Political Pluralism in the Arab World

Chair and Introduction: Giancarlo Bosetti
Abdeleh Redouane, Valentina Gentile, Cenap Aydin, Fred Dallmayr, Filali Ansari, Zaid Eyadat

Concluding remarks: Francesca Corrao
20:30 Dinner