

CURRICULUM VITAE

Ismail Warscheid, Ph.D.

Chargé de Recherche / Associate Research Professor
Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique (CNRS), France

Birthdate: 29 March 1983, Trier (Germany)
Nationality: German

Professional address

Institut de Recherche et d'Histoire des Textes (IRHT), Section Arabe
Campus Condorcet
14, cours des Humanités
93322 Aubervilliers CEDEX
France
ismail.warscheid@irht.cnrs.fr

RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Cultural and Social History of North and West Africa
- History of Muslim Scholarship and Islamic Law
- Post-1500 Arabic Manuscript Culture

POSITIONS

Present

- **Chargé de recherche** (equivalent to the rank of a tenured Associate Research Professor)
Since October 2015, ranked first in the national competition (*classé premier au concours national*)
Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique (CNRS), France
Institut de Recherche et d'Histoire des Textes, Section Arabe, Campus Condorcet, Paris-Aubervilliers

Past

- **Professor of Islamic Studies per interim** (*Vertretungsprofessur W3*) (2019-2022)
University of Bayreuth, Germany
Faculty of Language and Literature Studies
- **Lecturer** (2015-2016, 2017-2018)
Institut National des Langues Orientales (INALCO), Paris
- **Research Associate** (2016-2018)
Centre Jacques Berque pour les Études en Sciences Humaines et Sociales, Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique (CNRS), Rabat
- **Research Fellow** (15/10-15/12/2014)
German Historical Institute, Paris
- **Rechtskulturen Fellow** (01/10/2013-31/07/2014)
Forum Transregionale Studien, Wissenschaftskolleg zu Berlin, Humboldt University
- **Associated Ph.D. Researcher** (01/09/2008-31/08/2009)
Fonds de Solidarité Prioritaire project *Savoirs technique et administration dans le Maghreb moderne et contemporain*, EHESS, Universities of Alger, Constantine, Tunis and Rabat
- **Ph.D. Researcher** (2008-2014)
EHESS, Centre d'Histoire Sociale de l'Islam Méditerranéen, Paris

EDUCATION

- **Ph.D. History**
École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales, Paris (2014), supervisor: Prof. Houari Touati.
- **M.A. History and Civilizations**
École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales, Paris (2008)
- **Bachelor of Arts (Arabic Studies; History)**
University of Geneva (2006)

DISTINCTIONS, GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS

- Bronze Medal, Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique (CNRS), 2019
“The CNRS Bronze Medal recognizes a researcher’s first work, which makes that person a specialist with talent in a particular field. This medal is a way for the CNRS to encourage the researcher to continue work that has met with initial success and already produced fruitful results.” (<http://www.cnrs.fr/en/research/awards/bronzemedals.htm>).
- Special mention ‘Prix de thèse Moyen Orient – Mondes Musulmans’, Institut d’Études de l’Islam et des Sociétés du Monde Musulman (IISMM-EHESS), CNRS GIS Middle East and Muslim Worlds, 2016
- Resident scholar fellowship at the Maison Denise Masson in Marrakech, Institut Français Marrakech, Centre Jacques Berque Rabat, October 2016
- Research support award (5000€), CNRS GIS Middle East and Muslim Worlds, 2016
- Research grant, German Historical Institute Paris, October-December 2014
- Rechtskulturen Postdoctoral Fellowship, Forum Transregionale Studien, Wissenschaftskolleg zu Berlin, Humboldt Law School, 2013-2014
- Ph.D. scholarship, Gerda Henkel Foundation Düsseldorf, 2009-2012
- Travel grant for participation in the conference *Saharan crossroads: views from the South* organized by the West African Research Association in Niamey, Niger, EHESS, July 2011
- Research grant for fieldwork in Algeria, EHESS, April 2009

PUBLICATIONS

Book

- *Droit et société au Sahara prémoderne : La justice islamique dans les oasis du Grand Touat (Algérie) aux XVIII^e -XIX^e siècles*, Leiden, Brill, 2017.
Review (in English) by Knut S. Vikør in *Cahiers d’études africaines* 236/4 (2019), 1180-1184:
<https://www.cairn.info/revue-cahiers-d-etudes-africaines-2019-4-page-1180.htm>
Review (in English) by M’hamed Oualdi in *Studia Islamica* 115/2-3 (2020), 199-203
https://brill.com/view/journals/si/115/2-3/article-p199_10.xml
Review (in French) by Sami Bargaoui in *Journal of the American Oriental Society*, 140/1 (2020), 231-232:
<https://www.jstor.org/stable/10.7817/jameroriesoci.140.1.0233?seq=1>

Journal issues edited

- Guest editor with Augustin Jomier (INALCO, Paris), special issue “Écrire l’histoire de l’islam moderne et contemporain,” *Annales: Histoire, Sciences Sociales*, 73/2 (2018).

Peer reviewed articles and book chapters

1. “Quand le droit pense la politique : à propos de deux lettres d’al-Muhtār al-Ṣagīr al-Kuntī (m. 1847) à l’imam de Ḥamdallāhi,” *Afriques : débats, méthodes et terrains d’histoire*, 12 (2021).
URL : <http://journals.openedition.org/afriques/3349>.

2. “‘Those Who Represent the Sovereign in his Absence’: Muslim Scholarship and the Question of Legal Authority in the Pre-Modern Sahara (Southern Algeria, Mauritania, Mali), 1750-1850” in *Islamic Scholarship in Africa: New Directions and Global Contexts*, ed. Ousmane Kane (Melton: James Currey, 2021), 121-135.
3. “The Fulbe Jihads and the Islamic Legal Literature of the Southern Sahara (1650-1850),” *Journal of West African History*, 6/2 (2020), 33-60.
4. “*Nawāzil* de l’Ouest saharien (XVII^e – XX^e siècles) : une tradition jurisprudentielle africaine” in *L’encyclopédie des historiographies : Afrique, Amériques, Asies*, vol. 1 *Sources et genres historiques (Tome 1 et Tome 2)*, ed. Nathalie Kouamé, Eric P. Meyer, Anne Viguier (Paris: Presses de l’Inalco, 2020), 1272-1281.
5. “Les *Jours du Makhzen* : levée d’impôt et relations communautaires dans les oasis du Touat (Sud algérien), 1700-1850,” *Revue d’Histoire du XIX^e siècle*, 59/2 (2019), 31-48.
6. “Le livre du désert : la vision du monde d’un juriste ouest-saharien au XIX^e siècle,” *Annales : histoire, sciences sociales*, 73/2 (2018), 359-384.
7. (with Augustin Jomier), “Pour une islamologie historienne,” *Annales : histoire, sciences sociales*, 73/2 (2018), 311-316.
8. “Un lieu de recours ambigu : usages féminins de la justice islamique dans les oasis du Grand Touat (Sud algérien) aux XVIII^e– XIX^e siècles,” *Hawwa: Journal of Women of the Middle East and the Islamic World*, 17 (2019), 281-317.
9. “L’Islam saharien précolonial : portrait d’un champ de recherche,” *Studia Islamica*, 113/2 (2018), 244-265.
10. “The Islamic Literature of the Western Sahara: Sources and Approaches,” *History Compass*, 16/5 (2018), 1-10.
11. “The Persisting Spectre of Cultural Decline: Historiographical Approaches to Muslim Scholarship in the Early Modern Maghrib,” *Journal of the Economic and Social History of the Orient*, 60/1-2 (2017), 142-173.
12. “La pratique du *ṣulḥ* dans les oasis du grand Touat : justice consensuelle et juridiction islamique dans une société saharienne du XVIII^e siècle,” *Revue des mondes musulmans et de la Méditerranée*, 140 (2016), 143-164.
13. “Entre mémoire lettrée et vécu institutionnel : la compilation de *nawāzil* dans le grand Touat (Algérie) aux XVIII^e et XIX^e siècles,” *Studia Islamica*, 108/2 (2013), 214-254.

Editor-reviewed book chapters and articles

1. “Settling Disputes among Nomads: Four Fatwas from Early-Nineteenth Century Mauritania” in *Islamic Law in Context: A Primary Source Reader*, ed. Robert Gleave, Omar Anchassi (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, in press).
2. “Une tradition religieuse en crise ? Al-Ṣayḥ Bāy al-Kuntī (1865-1929) et son apologie du soufisme” in *Le Sahel musulman entre soufisme et salafisme : subalternité, luttes de classement et transnationalisme*, ed. Jean Schmitz, Abdel Wedoud Ould Cheikh, Cédric Jourde (Paris: IISMM-Karthala, 2022), 127-139.
3. “Autorité sacrée et pouvoir politique dans une société saharienne du XVIII^e siècle : les lignages chérifiens du Grand Touat (Sud algérien)” in *L’Église des laïcs. Le sacré en partage (XVI^e-XX^e siècles)*, dir. Ariane Boltanski, Marie-Lucie Copete (Madrid : Éditions de la Casa de Velázquez, 2021), 139-149.
4. “Writing Social Histories of Islamic Law,” *Quaderni Storici*, 164/2 (2020), 533-539. My part in the collective review essay “A Proposito di “Visions of Justice” di Paolo Sartori.” The other authors are M’hamed Oualdi, Guy Burak, and Paolo Sartori.
5. “Érudition islamique et intégration territoriale au Sahara prémoderne (XVI^e-XIX^e siècles)” in *Actes du colloque Le Sahara lieux d’histoire et espaces d’échanges*, dir. Rahal Boubrik, Ahmed Joumani (Rabat: Centre d’Études Sahariennes, 2018), 71-80.
6. “Présentation du livre Droit musulman et société au Sahara prémoderne,” *Revue des sciences humaines et sociales Université de Constantine 2*, 4/1 (2018), 253-266.
7. “L’érudit voilé de Teleya: charisme et savoirs scripturaires dans l’œuvre de Bāy b. ‘Umar al-Kuntī (1865-1929)” in *Saharan Crossroads: Exploring Historical, Artistic and Cultural Linkages between*

West and North Africa, ed. Tara Deubel, Hélène Tissières, Scott Youngstedt (New Castle (UK): Cambridge Scholar Publishing, 2014), 273-286.

8. “Comment écrire un passé qui ne soit ni colonial ni classique ? Le cas du Tuwāt algérien” in *Après l’Orientalisme : l’Orient crée par l’Orient*, ed. François Pouillon and Jean-Claude Vatin (Paris: Karthala, 2011), 213-226.
9. “Le soufisme tunisien au XIXe siècle : le témoignage de Muhammad al-Sanūsī” in *Le Galop de l’âme Actes de la cinquième édition du colloque international Soufisme, culture et musique*, ed. Zaim Khenchelaoui (Alger : CNRPH, 2009), 241-256.

Invited book reviews

1. Elke E. Stockreiter, *Islamic Law Gender and Social Change in Post-Abolition Zanzibar* (Cambridge, Cambridge University Press, 2015), *Cahiers d’études africaines*, 242 (2021).
2. Aryn B. Sajoo (ed.), *The Shari’a: History, Ethics and Law* (London: I.B. Tauris, The Institute of Ismaili Studies, 2018), *Bulletin critique des Annales islamologiques*, 34 (2020).
3. Fatiha Loualich, *La famille à Alger : XVIIe et XVIIIe siècle : parenté, alliances et patrimoine* (Saint-Denis: Éditions Bouchène, 2016), *Studia Islamica*, 114/1 (2019).
4. Houari Touati (ed.), *Histoire générale de l’Algérie: l’Algérie médiévale* (Oran: Zaytūn, 2014) in *Studia Islamica*, 111/1 (2016).
5. Camilo Comez-Rivas, *Law and the Islamization of Morocco under the Almoravids* (Leiden: Brill, 2014) in *Studia Islamica*, 110/2 (2015).
6. Sarah A. Stein, *Saharan Jews and the Fate of French Algeria* (Chicago: Chicago University Press, 2014), *La Vie des idées*, January 2 2015, URL: <https://laviedesidees.fr/Sur-les-traces-des-Juifs-sahariens.html>
7. Bruce S. Hall, *A History of Race in Muslim West Africa 1600-1900* (New York: Cambridge University Press, 2011), *Politique africaine*, 135 (2014).
8. Cleo Cantone, *Making and Remaking Mosques in Senegal* (Leiden: Brill, 2012), *Studia Islamica*, 107/2 (2012).
9. Aharon Layish, *Legal Documents from the Judean Desert: The Impact of the Shari’a on Bedouin Customary law* (Leiden: Brill, 2011), *Studia Islamica*, 107/1 (2012).
10. Richard McGregor and Adam Sabra (ed.), *Le développement du soufisme en Égypte à l’époque mamelouke* (Cairo: Institut français d’Archéologie Orientale, 2006), *Bulletin critique des annales islamologiques*, 24 (2008).

Other publications

1. “Les livres de l’Emir” in *Les manuscrits de Tagdemt exposition catalogue* (Lille: Éditions Inventit, 2022), 15-25.
2. “Jurisprudences islamiques et règlement des conflits dans le Sud algérien au XVIIIe siècle” in *Sahara, des mondes connectés exposition catalogue* (Paris: Gallimard, 2019), 118-120.
3. “L’Islam traditionnel, au Sahel, doit veiller à rester à distance du politique,” interview for the the French newspaper *La Croix* conducted by Anne-Bénédicte Hoffner, *la Croix*, 9 July 2019, <https://www.la-croix.com/Religion/Islam/Lislam-traditionnel-Sahel-doit-veiller-rester-distance-politique-2019-07-09-1201034342>.
4. “La fatwa : une expertise sans pouvoir contraignant” and “Le mariage, obligation contractuelle,” *Le Point références*, special issue *L’Islam ce qu’il faut savoir les textes fondateurs*, 2016, septembre-octobre, 42-43 and 60-61.
5. “Vers une histoire sociale et culturelle du droit musulman dans les sociétés sahariennes de l’époque moderne (XVIe-XIXe siècles),” *Bulletin de la Société Suisse Moyen Orient et Civilisation Islamique*, 41 (2015), 45-47.
6. “Arabischer Wandel: Aufbegehren gegen soziale Ungleichheit,” interview for the website *L.I.S.A. Wissenschaftsportal der Gerda Henkel Stiftung*, 18 March 2011, https://lisa.gerda-henkel-stiftung.de/arabischer-wandel-aufbegehren-gegen-soziale-ungleichheit?nav_id=1477
7. “Annemarie Schimmel : islamologue de renommée internationale,” *Horizons Maghrébins – Le droit à la mémoire*, 56 (2007), 153-154.

EDITORIAL ACTIVITIES

- Member of the editorial board, *The Encyclopedia of Historiography: Africa, America, Asia*, Presses de l'INALCO, Centre d'Études en Sciences Sociales sur les Mondes Africains, Américains, et Asiatiques (CESSMA) (since 2021).
- Member of the directory board, *Arabica: Journal of Arabic and Islamic Studies/Revue d'études arabes et islamiques* (since 2016).
<http://www.brill.com/arabica>
- Member of the editorial committee, *Studia Islamica* (since 2021).
<https://brill.com/view/journals/si/si-overview.xml>
- Member of the editorial board of *Islamic Africa* (since 2020).
<https://brill.com/view/journals/iafr/iafr-overview.xml>
- Member of the editorial board, *Afriques: débats, méthodes et terrain d'histoire* published by the Institut de Mondes Africains, Paris I Sorbonne, EHESS (since 2015).
<https://journals.openedition.org/afriques/?lang=en>
- Peer reviewing and evaluation of book proposals: Brill, *Arabica*, *Journal of the Social and Economic History of the Orient*, *Studia Islamica*, *Quaderni Storici*, *l'Homme*, *L'Année du Maghreb*, *Afriques : débats, méthodes et terrain d'histoire*, *L'Atelier du Centre de recherches historiques*, *Annales : Histoire, Sciences Sociales*, *Revue des mondes musulmans et de la Méditerranée*.

ORGANISATION OF ACADEMIC EVENTS

- Co-convener with Muriel Roiland (CNRS, Paris) and Zouhour Chaabane (BULAC, Paris) of the workshop *Les livres d'Abd el-Kader : Bibliothèques et mémoire culturelle dans l'Algérie moderne*, Château de Chantilly, 8 April 2022.
- Convener and host of the round table *Le Coran au croisement des cultures* with Mohammad Ali Amir-Moezzi (EPHE, Paris), Mehdi Azaiez (Louvain University), Muriel Debié (EPHE, Paris), Chair for the Study of Religion, Center for International Studies, Sciences Po, Paris, 17 February 2022.
- Co-convener with Augustin Jomier (INALCO, Paris) and Matthew Steele (graduate student, Harvard University) of the workshop *Islamic Law and Legal Culture in the Sahara: Historical Approaches*, INALCO, Paris, 6-7 June 2018.
- Co-organizer with Christian Müller (CNRS, Paris) of the panel *Approches pluridisciplinaires du droit musulman*, second congress of the GIS Middle East and Muslim Worlds, INALCO, Paris, 08 July 2017.
- Co-convener with Augustin Jomier (INALCO, Paris) of the workshop *Eruditions musulmanes et colonialisme en Afrique: perspectives transsahariennes (1850-1950)*, INALCO, Paris, 1-2 June 2017.
- Co-convener with Sabrina Mervin (CNRS, Paris) of the workshop *Les manuscrits de l'Ouest saharien*, Marrakech, Maison Denise Masson, 04-05 September 2016.
- Convener of the workshop *Islamic Normativity and the Making of Legal Culture in Rural Contexts*, Wissenschaftskolleg zu Berlin, Humboldt Law School, Berlin, 27 May 2014.
- Co-convener of the *Rechtskulturen* reading circle, Humboldt Law School, Berlin, university year 2013-2014.

RESEARCH COLLABORATIONS

- Scientific advisor for the exposition *Les manuscrits de Taqdemt*, Château de Chantilly, Institut de France, 5 March - 30 May 2022.
<https://chateaudechantilly.fr/evenement/les-manuscrits-de-taqdemt/>
- Member of the French ANR-funded research project *Citoyennetés et propriété au nord et au sud de la Méditerranée (XVIe-XIXe siècle)* (PROCIT), coordinated by Prof. Simona Cerutti, Centre de Recherches Historiques, EHESS, France, 2018-2021.
<https://procit.hypotheses.org/>

INSTITUTIONAL RESPONSABILITIES/REVIEWING ACTIVITIES

- Member of the scientific council of the French Institute for Islamic Studies (*Institut Français d'Islamologie*) founded by the French Minister of Higher Education, Research and Innovation (*Ministère de l'Enseignement supérieur, de la Recherche et de l'Innovation*) in 2022.
<https://www.enseignementsup-recherche.gouv.fr/fr/creation-de-l-institut-francais-d-islamologie-83624>
- Member of the scientific council of 'The History of the Arab World Encounters' (*Les journées de l'histoire de l'IMA*), Institut du Monde Arabe, Paris, since October 2021.
<https://www.imarabe.org/fr/activites/rencontres-debats/les-journees-de-l-histoire-de-l-institut-du-monde-arabe>
- Member of the scientific council of the Chair for the Study of Religion, Sciences Po, Center for International Studies, Paris, since January 2021.
<https://www.sciencespo.fr/ceci/fr/content/chaire-detudes-sur-le-fait-religieux>
- Member of the scientific council for the international conference 'The Social Sciences and the World' (*Les sciences sociales et le monde*), EHESS, Campus Condorcet, Paris-Aubervilliers, the conference is scheduled for 8 – 10 November 2022.
- Member of the Islamic Studies committee, CNRS scientific interest group Middle East and Muslim Worlds, France, 2017-2022.
- Acting chair of Islamic Studies per interim (*Lehrstuhlvertretung*) at the University of Bayreuth (Germany) and student advisor (*Studiengangsmoderation*) for the BA programs in Islamic Studies (*Islamwissenschaft*) and Arabic Studies (*Arabistik*), 2019-2022.
- Member of the selection committee 'Semester grants for learning Arabic in Jordan' (*Semesterstipendien Arabisch in Jordanien*), German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD), 2021.
- Evaluator, research grant application, Alexander von Humboldt Stiftung, 2022.
- Evaluator, research grant application, Deutsche Forschungsgesellschaft (DFG), 2020.
- Evaluator dissertation prize *Prix de thèse sur le Moyen Orient et les mondes musulmans*, Institut d'études de l'Islam et des sociétés du monde musulman (IISMM), CNRS GIS Middle East and Muslim Worlds, 2020.
- Evaluator, PhD grant application, Österreichische Akademie der Wissenschaften (ÖWA), 2019.
- Selection of an Arabic language instructor (*Lektor*) for the BA programs in Islamic and Arabic Studies, University of Bayreuth, with Valentina Serreli (Assistant Professor of Arabic Studies), 2019 and 2021.
- Member of the search committee for an associate professorship (*maître de conférences*) in North African history, Institut National des Langues Orientales (INALCO), Paris, 2019.
- Member of the search committee for an associate professorship (*maître de conférences*) in Islamic legal history, University Paris I Sorbonne, 2017.

TEACHING

University of Bayreuth (2019-2022)

Winter Semester 2021-2022

- Course (taught in English) 'The Development of Islam in Africa: North Africa'
- Course (*Vorlesung*) 'Introduction to the Early History and Religious Foundations of Islam' (*Einführung in die Frühgeschichte und Glaubenslehre des Islams*)
- Undergraduate seminar 'Introduction to the Classical and Modern Exegesis of the Quran' (*Einführung in die klassische und moderne Koranexegese*)
- Undergraduate seminar 'Literacy and Religious Practice in the Daily Life of Muslim Societies in Africa' (*Schriftlichkeit und religiöse Praxis im Alltag muslimischer Gesellschaften in Afrika*)
- Undergraduate seminar 'Between Law and Mysticism: The Islamic Literature of the Early Modern Maghrib' (*Zwischen Recht und Mystik: die islamische Literatur des neuzeitlichen Maghreb*)

Summer Semester 2020-2021

- Course (taught in English), ‘The Development of Islam in Africa: Sub-Saharan Africa’
- Undergraduate seminar, ‘Introduction to the Quran’ (*Einführung in den Koran*)
- Undergraduate seminar, ‘Reading Seminar on hadith Texts’ (*Lektüreseminar von Primärquellen zum hadith*)
- Undergraduate seminar, ‘The *mālikī* School of Law and the Development of Islam in Africa (*Die malikitische Rechtsschule und die Entwicklung des Islam in Afrika*)

Winter Semester 2020-2021

- Course (taught in English) ‘The Development of Islam in Africa: North Africa’
- Course (*Vorlesung*) ‘Introduction to the Early History and Religious Foundations of Islam’ (*Einführung in die Frühgeschichte und Glaubenslehre des Islams*)
- Undergraduate seminar ‘Introduction to the Classical and Modern Exegesis of the Quran’ (*Einführung in die klassische und moderne Koranexegese*)
- Undergraduate seminar ‘Literacy and Religious Practice in the Daily Life of Muslim Societies in Africa’ (*Schriftlichkeit und religiöse Praxis im Alltag muslimischer Gesellschaften in Afrika*)
- Undergraduate seminar ‘Between Law and Mysticism: The Islamic Literature of the Early Modern Maghrib’ (*Zwischen Recht und Mystik: die islamische Literatur des neuzeitlichen Maghreb*)

Summer Semester 2020

- Course (taught in English), ‘The Development of Islam in Africa: Sub-Saharan Africa’
- Undergraduate seminar, ‘Introduction to the Quran’ (*Einführung in den Koran*)
- Undergraduate seminar, ‘What is Islam? Islamic Studies and the Humanities in the Postmodern Age’ (*Was ist Islam? Islamwissenschaft und Gesellschaftswissenschaften im postmodernen Zeitalter*)
- Undergraduate seminar, ‘The *mālikī* School of Law and the Development of Islam in Africa (*Die malikitische Rechtsschule und die Entwicklung des Islam in Afrika*)

Winter Semester 2019-2020

- Course (*Vorlesung*) ‘The Development of Islam in Africa: North Africa’ (*Ausbreitung und Formen des Islam in Afrika I*)
- Course (*Vorlesung*) ‘Introduction to the Early History and Religious Foundations of Islam’ (*Einführung in die Frühgeschichte und Glaubenslehre des Islams*)
- Undergraduate seminar ‘Introduction to the Classical and Modern Exegesis of the Quran’ (*Einführung in die klassische und moderne Koranexegese*)
- Undergraduate seminar ‘Literacy and Religious Practice in the Daily Life of Muslim Societies in Africa’ (*Schriftlichkeit und religiöse Praxis im Alltag muslimischer Gesellschaften in Afrika*)
- Undergraduate seminar ‘Between Law and Mysticism: The Islamic Literature of the Early Modern Maghrib’ (*Zwischen Recht und Mystik: die islamische Literatur des neuzeitlichen Maghreb*)

Summer Semester 2019

- Course (*Vorlesung*), ‘The Development of Islam in Africa: Sub-Saharan Africa’ (*Ausbreitung und Formen des Islam in Afrika II*)
- Undergraduate seminar, ‘Introduction to the Quran’ (*Einführung in den Koran*).
- Undergraduate seminar, ‘Political Discourse and Islamic Law in North and West Africa’ (*Politischer Diskurs und Islamisches Recht in Nord- und Westafrika*)
- Undergraduate seminar, ‘*mālikī* Fatwa Collections from the Western Sahara’ (*Malikitische Fatwa-Sammlungen aus der westlichen Sahara*)

CNRS, Paris (2015-2018)

- Co-convenir with Ziad Bou Akl (CNRS/ENS, Paris) of the international doctoral workshop in Islamic Studies ‘Droit musulman : textes et pratiques dans l’histoire (VII^e- XIX^e siècles)’, Centre Jean Pépin (CNRS/ENS), Paris, 03.-07 December 2018.
The workshop brought together Ph.D. and Master students from Algeria, Egypt, France, Tunisia, Niger, Mali, Cameroun, Ivory Coast and the US. Featured speakers were Christian Müller (IRHT/CNRS, Paris), Houari Touati (EHESS, Paris), Hocine Benkheira (EPHE, Paris), Shahid Mathee (University of Johannesburg), Fatima Z. Guechi (University of Constantine) and Khaled Fahmy (University of Cambridge), who gave the keynote lecture *Applying Shari’a in Modern Times: Some Insights from Nineteenth-Century Egypt* on December 6 2018 at the École Normale Supérieure in Paris.
- Instructor, summer school ‘Sources ottomanes’, Maison Méditerranéenne des Sciences de l’Homme, Aix-en-Provence, 02-06 July 2018.
- Graduate seminar ‘Droit musulman et sociétés islamiques prémodernes (VIII^e-XIX^e siècles)’, École des Haute Études en Sciences Sociales (EHESS), Paris, 2016-2019.
- Undergraduate course ‘Histoire des provinces arabes de l’Empire Ottoman’, Institut National des Langues Orientales (INALCO), Paris, 2017-2018.
- Intensive course ‘Droit et histoire contemporaine du droit’, Euro-Arab Summer School, University Paris I Sorbonne, Paris, 28 August - 06 September 2017.
- Instructor, summer school ‘Que fait l’histoire sociale de l’appartenance religieuse ? Un questionnement interdisciplinaire de la Méditerranée à l’Océan indien (XV^e-XX^e siècle)’, Casa Palacio de los Briones, Carmona (Sevilla), 26-29 June 2017.
- Graduate seminar ‘Mondes sahariens: sources, espaces, sociétés, VIII^e-XIX^e siècles’, École des Haute Études en Sciences Sociales (EHESS), Paris, 2015-2017.
- Undergraduate course ‘Histoire des provinces arabes de l’Empire Ottoman’, Institut National des Langues Orientales (INALCO), Paris, 2015-2016.
- Intensive course ‘Droit et histoire contemporaine du droit’, Euro-Arab Summer School, University Paris I Sorbonne, Paris, 30 August - 09 September 2016.
- Graduate seminar, ‘Histoire de l’Afrique et du monde arabe’, University Paris I Sorbonne, Paris, 2015-2016.
- Intensive course ‘Lecture de textes contemporains (niveau avancé)’, Euro-Arab Summer School, University Paris I Sorbonne, Paris, 01-09 September 2015.

SUPERVISION OF GRADUATE AND STUDENT RESEARCH

- Élise Paysant, Ph.D. History dissertation supervisor (co-supervision with Prof. Hélène Blaise), topic *Défendre ses droits, négocier ses intérêts. La formation d’un système juridique pluraliste dans la ville coloniale de Saint-Louis au Sénégal, des années 1840 aux années 1910*, Institut d’Histoire Moderne et Contemporaine, École Normale Supérieure, Paris Sciences et Lettres (PSL), since 2021.
- Kerem Duymus, Master Global History dissertation supervisor (with Prof. Joël Glasman), topic *Managing the Globus of the God: Economic Policies in the Sokoto Caliphate (1800-1903)*, University of Bayreuth, 2021.
- Marion Weisslinger, author of the pre-report (pré-rapporteur) and member of the Ph.D. dissertation defense committee, topic *Le Hanbalisme entre rationalités juridiques et considérations théologiques (XI^{ème}-XIV^{ème} siècle): le principe d’intérêt général (maslaha)*, supervisor Prof. Makram Abbès, École Normale Supérieure Lyon, 2020.
- Merve Yalcin, Bachelor of Arts dissertation supervisor, *Medical Practice in Classical Islam: The Akhlāq al-Ṭabīb des Abū Bakr al-Rāzī (d. 313/925)* (in German), University of Bayreuth, 2020.
- Abdelkader Hassoune, member of the Ph.D. committee (comité de suivi de thèse), topic *Les conceptions économicoques des juristes-théologiens sunnites (III/IX^{ème} – IX/XV^{ème} siècle)*, supervisor Mohammed Hocine Benkheira, EPHE, Paris, since 2021.

- Inaam Ben Yahia, member of the Ph.D. committee (*comité de suivi de thèse*), topic *Les bibliothèques waqf des mosquées à l'époque saadienne*, supervisor Nuria Martínez de Castilla, EPHE, Paris, 2018-2021.
- Alexis-Michel Trouillot, member of the Ph.D. committee (*comité de suivi de thèse*), topic *L'univers mathématique et astronomique au Bilad Shinqit de 1714 à 1936*, supervisor Pascal Crozet, Sciences, Philosophie, Histoire (SPHere), University Paris-Diderot, since 2016.
- Habib Akhrouf, member of the Ph.D. dissertation defense committee, topic *La théorie politique d'Abū Ya'lā (m. 458/1066) à travers ses Ahkām al-Sultāniyya*, supervisor Mohammed Hocine Benkheira, EPHE, Paris, 2017.

INVITED LECTURES (SELECTION)

- “L'espace sahélo-saharien et la genèse d'un Islam polycentrique (1500-1850)”
Research Seminar *Anthropologie comparative du Sahel occidental musulman (Sénégal, Mauritanie, Mali...)* (Jean Schmitz (IRD)), Institut des Mondes Africains, CNRS/EHESS, Campus Condorcet, Paris-Aubervilliers, 13 April 2022.
- “Zur historischen Rechtstradition (Nord)Afrikas: die *iftā'* Praxis in der westlichen Sahara (1700-1900)” (On the historical legal tradition of (North) Africa: the practice of *iftā'* in the western Saharan lands)
Department of Islamic Studies, Faculty of Humanities, University of Tübingen, 20 January 2022.
- “Le Sud marocain et le développement du malikisme dans l'espace sahélo-saharien (XVe-XVIIIe siècle)”
Faculté des Lettres et des Sciences Humaines, University of Agadir, 14 February 2020.
- “Pour une histoire intellectuelle de l'espace sahélo-saharien prémoderne (XVe-XIXe siècle)”
Research Seminar *Édition, traduction et lecture de manuscrits arabes classiques* (Pr. Abdallah Cheikh Moussa), University Paris IV Sorbonne, 11 February 2020.
- “Scharia unter Nomaden: Islamische Rechtsgutachten als Quelle für die Sozial- und Kulturgeschichte der frühzeitlichen Sahara” (Sharia among Nomads: Islamic Legal Opinions as a Source for the Social and Cultural History of the Early Modern Sahara)
Research Colloquium *Eurasische Gesellschaften (Eurasian Societies)*, Goethe University Frankfurt, 03 December 2019.
- “L'historicité d'un droit sacré : la pratique de la charia au Maghreb et en Afrique de l'Ouest (1500-1930)”
Research Seminar *Mondialités islamiques*, Columbia Global Center, Paris, 17 May 2019.
- “Negotiating the Social Relevance of a Sacred Law: Islamic Legal Practice in the Early Modern Sahara and Sahel (1500-1850)”
Center for African Studies, University of Illinois, Urbana, 04 April 2018.
- “Islamic Legal Thought and Practice in the Early Modern Sahara (Southern Algeria, Mauritania, Mali)”
Arab Crossroads Program, New York University Abu Dhabi, 20 September 2017.
- “Islamic Law and the Making of Community in Early Modern Saharan Societies”
Universidad Pablo de Olavide Sevilla, Casa Palacio de los Briones, Carmona, 28 June 2017.

- “Translating Normative Discourse into Social Facts: Islamic Legal Literature and the Making of Society in Premodern Western Africa (Mauritania, Mali, southern Algeria)”
Research Seminar *Histoire sociale de l’Afrique orientale, de la Mer rouge et de l’océan indien*, Institut des Mondes Africains, EHESS, Paris, 10 March 2017.
- “Penser l’autorité politique en terre tribale : la question de l’imamat dans les écrits des ulémas sahélo-sahariens (XVIIe-XIXe siècle)”
Research Seminar *Anthropologie du Sahel musulman (Sénégal, Mali, Mauritanie)*, Institut des Mondes Africains, EHESS, Paris, 19 May 2016.
- “Coutume, pré-droit et loi sacrée: la question de la norme dans l’histoire et l’anthropologie de l’espace rural maghrébin”
Research Seminar *Parcours anthropologiques dans le monde arabe*, Institut des Mondes Africains, EHESS, Paris, 28 January 2016.
- “Pensée juridique et transformations politiques dans l’Ouest saharien (1850-1930): les *Navāzil* de Bāy al-Kuntī (1865-1929)”
Research Seminar *Introduction au droit musulman: les transformations de la normativité islamique depuis l’expédition d’Egypte*, Institut de l’Islam et des Sociétés du Monde Musulman, EHESS, Paris, 12 November 2015.
- “Le Sahara entre histoire et droit : le grand Touat au XVIII^e siècle”
Chair of Compared African Studies, University Mohamed VI, Rabat, 22 October 2015.
- “Que devient l’islam scripturaire en situation coloniale? Le cas du Touat algérien”
Research Seminar *Pour une histoire sociale de l’Algérie colonisée*, Centre d’Histoire Sociale du XX^e Siècle, University Paris I Sorbonne, Paris, 11 February 2015.

CONFERENCE AND WORKSHOP PRESENTATIONS (SELECTION)

- Workshop *Les livres d’Abd el-Kader : Bibliothèques et mémoire culturelle dans l’Algérie moderne*, Château de Chantilly, 8 April 2022.
Paper title: “Le goût de l’écrit: érudition et société en Algérie aux temps modernes”
- Workshop *Not the Conquerors’ Religion: Local Beliefs vs. Imperial Religion*, RomanIslam, Center for Comparative Empire and Transcultural Studies, University of Hamburg, 10-11 February 2022.
Paper title: “Remembering the Past as a Jurist: The Construction of Deviation in Post-Formative *mālikī* Jurisprudence”
- Conference *Cerno Silaymaani Baal et la révolution toorodo de 1776: contexte, acteurs et portée*, University Cheikh Anta Diop, Dakar, 23-24 November 2021.
Invited speaker, round table “ Le djihad en Afrique de l’Ouest : histoire et actualité” (via Zoom)
- Workshop organized by the French ANR-funded research project *Citoyennetés et propriété au nord et au sud de la Méditerranée (XVIe-XIXe siècle)* (PROCIT), Musée des civilisations de l’Europe et de la Méditerranée, 29-30 September 2021.
The workshop’s aim was to discuss the contributions to an edited volume in French to be published by Éditions Anarchasis. My chapter is tentatively entitled : ‘Prestige généalogique et pouvoir dans une société saharienne du XVIII^e siècle’.

- Congress *Quatrième congrès des études sur le Moyen Orient et les mondes musulmans*, University Aix-Marseille, 28 June - 2 July, 2021.
Paper title: “L’art de la jurisprudence : émettre et compiler des fatwas dans l’Ouest saharien à l’époque moderne”
- Workshop *The History and Development of Islamic Learning and Scholarship in Africa*, organized by the Research Centre for Islamic History, Art and Culture (IRCICA) Istanbul and the Arewa House Centre for Historical Documentation and Research, Ahmadu Bello University Zaria, 5 April 2021.
Paper title: “Saharan Fatwa Collections and the Development of Jurisprudential Traditions in Precolonial Muslim West Africa”
- Workshop *Narratives on the Maliki Legal School: Inside and Outside Views (from the Early Period to the Present)*, organized by Maribel Fierro (CSIC, Madrid), Institute of Arab and Islamic Studies, University of Exeter, 28-29 February 2020.
Paper title: “‘We Are the People of Khalīl’: Cultural Memory and Legal Reasoning Among South Saharan *mālikī* Scholars (1550-1850)”
- Workshop *Historiographical Sources on Islamicate Judges*, University of Exeter, research project *Law, Authority and Learning in Imami Shi’ite Islam*, 20-21 February 2020.
Texts discussed in my session: Ibn al-A‘mish al-Shinqīṭī, *Nawāzil* and al-Sharīf Ḥimā Allāh al-Tishīṭī, *Fatāwā*.
- Workshop *Kitāb and Sunna in Usūl al-Fiqh Texts*, University of Exeter, research project *Law, Authority and Learning in Imami Shi’ite Islam*, 12-14 October 2019.
Texts discussed in my session: ‘Abdallāh b. al-Ḥājj Ibrāhīm al-‘Alawī, *Nashr al-bunūd ‘alā marāqī al-su‘ūd* and Muḥammad al-Māmī, *Kitāb al-Bādiya*.
- Conference *Troisième congrès des études sur le Moyen Orient et les mondes musulmans*, INALCO, Paris, 3-5 July, 2019.
Paper title: “Discours normatif et description du social : quand les juristes musulmans pensent la vie en milieu oasien (Ouest saharien, XVIIe-XIXe siècle)”
- Conference *Fourth Annual Conference of the Iranian Studies Initiative Slavery and Sexual Labor in the Middle East and North Africa*, University of California Santa Barbara, 19-20 October 2018.
Paper title: “Saharan Qadis and their Protégés: Women, Orphans, Slaves in the Islamic Courts of Tuwat, Southern Algeria (1750-1850)”
- Workshop *Social Codicology: The Multiple Lives of Texts in Muslim Societies*, Nederlands Instituut Marokko, Rabat, 09-11 October 2018.
Paper title: “Fatwa Collections as ‘Literary Archives’: Towards a Pragmatic History of Jurisprudential Writing in the Early Modern Sahara (Mauritania, southern Algeria)”
- Workshop *Citoyenneté(s): marché – hors-marché – transmission*, EHESS, Marseille, 20-21 September 2018.
Paper title: “Les ‘Jours du Makhzen’: collecte d’impôt et relations de propriété dans une société oasienne du Sahara moderne (1700-1830)”
- Conference *West Africa and the Maghreb: Reassessing Intellectual Connections in the 21st century*, Harvard Divinity School, Harvard University, 13-15 September 2018.
Paper title: “Sufism, Scholarly Networks, and Territorial Integration in the Early Modern Sahara (Algeria, Mauritania, Mali), 1600-1800”

- Workshop *Islamic Law and Legal Culture in the Sahara: Historical Approaches*, INALCO, Paris, 07-08.06.2018.
Paper title: “Community Structures and Islamic Law in a Pre-Modern Saharan Society: *hubus* Foundations in Eighteenth-Century Tuwāt (Southern Algeria)”
- Conference *The “Caliphate of Hamdallahi”: A History from Within*, Center for African Studies, University of Illinois, Urbana, 06-07 April 2018.
Paper title: “The Quest for Political Legitimacy in Muslim West Africa: The Caliphate of Masina and the Islamic Legal Literature of the Southern Sahara”
- Workshop *New Directions in the Study of Islamic Scholarship in Africa*, Radcliffe Institute for Advanced Study, Harvard University, 05-06 October 2017.
Paper title: “‘Those who Represent the Sovereign in his Absence’: Muslim Scholarship and the Question of Legal Authority in the Early Modern Sahara”
- Conference *Les mondialisations africaines dans l’histoire*, Musée du Quai Branly, Paris, 20-21 April 2017.
Paper title: “La fabrique d’un Islam vernaculaire? Vers une histoire intellectuelle de l’espace sahélo-saharien (XV^e – XIX^e siècles)”
- Conference *Texts, Knowledge, and Practice: The Meaning of Scholarship in Muslim Africa*, Harvard Divinity School, Harvard University, 16-18 February 2017.
Paper title: “A West African Approach to Islamic Law? Sahelo Saharan Legal Writing in Post Classical Malikism”
- Conference *Private Archives in Egypt and the Middle East 16th to 21th century*, Institut français d’archéologie orientale, Cairo, 4-5 December, 2016.
Paper title: “Early Modern Saharan Uses of Literacy: Notarial Writing, Literary Production and the Collection of Manuscripts in the Oasis of Tuwāt and the Bilād al-Shinqīṭ (17th-19th Centuries)”
- Conference *L’église des laïcs : attentes et objectifs de l’investissement dans le sacré*, École des hautes études ibériques, Casa de Velazquez, Madrid, 4-6 July 2016.
Paper title: “Formes de légitimité religieuse, rapports de pouvoir et modes d’accumulation économique dans une société saharienne du XVIII^e siècle : les lignages *shurafā’* et *mrābṭīn* du Touat (Sud algérien)”
- Conference *Le Sahara: lieux d’histoire... espaces d’échanges* convened by the Centre d’études sahariennes Université Mohamed VI Rabat, Guelmim, Morocco, 26-28 May 2016.
Paper title: “Erudition islamique et intégration territoriale au Sahara pré-moderne (XVI^e-XIX^e siècles)”
- Workshop *Foundations, Stiftungen and awqaf: Historical Instances, Perpetual Institutions, Evolving Social Needs*, Chair for Ethics and Financial Norms, University Paris I Sorbonne, Paris, 02 May 2016.
Paper title: “*Awqāf* in Stateless Modern Societies: The Case of the Algerian Tuwat Oases”
- Workshop *Expressive Papers: Discourse and Materiality in African contexts*, Institut des Mondes Africains, Paris I Sorbonne, Paris, 07 December 2015.
Paper title: “The Graphical Representation of Normative Speech: Islamic Legal Manuscripts from the Sahara”
- Conference *Lectures et pratiques des “Versets de l’invincibilité” en hommage à Fanny Colonna*, Paris Institute for Advanced Studies, EHESS, Paris, 19-20 November 2015.
Paper title: “Paysans et nomades savants au Sahara: le fiqh comme agent d’acculturation

graphique (XVIII^e/XIX^e siècle)”

- Conference *Constitutional Experiences in the Middle East and North Africa (from approx. 18th to 20th century)*, Orient Institut Beirut, 06-07 November 2014.
Paper title: “The ḡamā‘a and its Jurists: Islamic Legal Thought and Community Structures in Pre-Modern Saharan Societies (1600-1800)”
- Conference *Religious spaces, practices and models in North African Ibadism*, University Lumière, Lyon, 25-26 September 2014.
Paper title: “Articuler le normatif et le religieux: la littérature jurisprudentielle saharienne de l’époque moderne (XVII^e – XVIII^e siècles)”
- Workshop *Islamic Normativity and the Making of Legal Culture in Rural Contexts*, Berlin Institute for Advanced Studies, Humboldt Law School, Berlin, 27 May 2014.
Paper title: “Law as an Agent of Acculturation? Some Reflections on Islamic Scholarship in the Sahara before 1800”
- Conference *Rethinking Classical Islamic Law: Can fiqh be Applied Law?* convened by the ERC project *Islamic law Materialized* (CNRS-IRHT), Centre Jacques Berque, Rabat, 13-15 November 2013.
Paper title: “Négocier l’application de ce qui est ’in-négociable’: la justice islamique dans le grand Tuwât”
- Workshop *Islam (Tijâniya, Salafisme), catégories subordonnées et transnationalisme (Afrique de l’Ouest)*, Institut de l’Islam et des Sociétés du Monde Musulman, Centre d’Etudes Africaines, EHESS, Paris, 09-10 March 2012.
Paper title: “Penser l’affiliation confrérique à travers le prisme du droit: Cheikh Bâÿ al-Kuntî et la Tijâniyya (boucle du Niger, Mali)”
- Conference *Saharan Crossroads: views from the south*, convened by the West African Research Association and the American Institute of Maghrib Studies, Niamey, 08-10 July 2011.
Paper title: “En Islam malien: les nawâzil de Bâÿ b. ‘Umar al-Kuntî (1865-1929)”
- Conference *L’Orientalisme et après? Médiations, appropriations, contestations*, EHESS, Institut du Monde Arabe, Paris, 15-17 June 2011.
Paper title: “Comment écrire un passé qui ne soit ni colonial ni classique? La place de l’érudition coloniale dans l’historiographie du Maghreb moderne: le cas du Sahara algérien”
- Conference *Nachwuchsforschungstagung der Religionswissenschaft Göttingen Religion, Gedächtnis und Transformation, Vergangenheit und Vergegenwärtigung in religiösen Erinnerungsprozessen*, Georg August University, Göttingen, Germany, 17-18 September 2010.
Paper title: “Transformationen und Kontinuitäten in Praxis und Lehre des maghribinischen Sufismus vom 16.-21. Jahrhundert”, with Ricarda Stegmann (University of Fribourg)
- Conference *Savoirs techniques et administrations dans le Maghreb moderne et contemporain: héritage et circulation*, Centre d’Histoire Sociale de l’Islam Méditerranéen, EHESS, Paris, 25-26 September 2009.
Paper title: “Faire entendre la Loi de Dieu en terre tribale: le droit musulman au Tuwat à l’époque moderne (XVIII^e – XIX^e siècle)”
- Workshop *Troisième colloque recherche - formation, rencontre bilatérale chercheurs et doctorants du projet FSP: Savoirs techniques et administration dans le Maghreb: héritages et circulation*, University of Constantine, Algeria, 25-28 February 2009.

Paper title: “Entre expertise et jugement: la figure du juriste dans les oasis sahariens de l’époque moderne”

- Conference *Soufisme culture et musique*, convened by the Centre National de Recherches Préhistoriques, Anthropologiques et Historiques, Tizi-Ouzou, Algeria, 14-17 December 2008. Paper title: “Le soufisme tunisien au XIXe siècle: le témoignage de Muhammad al-Sanûsî”

NON-ACADEMIC PRESENTATIONS AND MEDIA

- Invited speaker, round table ‘Les Oulémas et réformistes musulmans en Algérie : une histoire à redécouvrir’ with Charlotte Coureye (Université Jean Moulin Lyon 3), Augustin Jomier (INALCO, Paris), Stéphane Lacroix (moderation, Science Po Paris), Institut du Monde Arabe, Paris, 11 February 2021.
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Os3Twlkc8_4
- Invited speaker, round table ‘Souverainetés africaines’ with Lancelot Arzel (Sciences Po), Clélia Coret (EHESS), Samuel Sanchez (Paris I Panthéon Sorbonne), Isabelle Surun (moderation, Université Lille 3), Les rendez-vous de l’histoire, Blois, 10 October 2020.
<http://rdv-histoire.com/programme/souverainetes-africaines>
- Invited speaker, round table ‘Droit religieux, justice d’État: Charia et pratiques judiciaires des origines de l’Islam au monde contemporain’ with Moussa Abou Ramadan (University of Strasbourg), Mohamed Hocine Benkheira (EPHE), Anne-Laure Dupont (Paris IV), Matthieu Tillier (University Paris IV), Institut du Monde Arabe, Paris, 22 May 2016.
- Invited guest in the radio program *La fabrique de l’histoire*, Radio France Culture, 18 June 2015.
<http://www.franceculture.fr/emissions/la-fabrique-de-l-histoire/semaine-speciale-idees-savoirs-la-releve-44>