

# Outsiders, Converts, and Intermediaries between Europe and the Islamicate Mediterranean, 1500–1800

7 December 2026
10:00am–5:30pm
Institute for Advanced Studies
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# Programme

## 10.00–10.30 Registration and Welcome

## 10.30–11.30 Converted Scholars in Christian Europe

Theocharis Dadichi's Eastern Christian Odyssey
*Simon Mills, Newcastle University*
The Economic Imaginary of Leo Africanus
*Richard Oosterhoff, University of Edinburgh*

## 11.30–11.45 Morning Tea

## 11.45–1.15 Britons in the Maghreb and Mashriq

Setting the Terms of Trade in Revolutionary Tunis, 1675–1705: Maghrebi Initiative through British Eyes
*Nat Cutter, University of Melbourne*
The Privy Council of Scotland and the Problem of Maghreb Captivity, 1690–1715
*Clare Loughlin, Newcastle University*
Traversing Tradition and Practice: Arabic, Persian, and the East India Company in the Eighteenth Century
*Peter Good, University of Bergen*

## 1.15–2.15 Lunch

## 2.15–3.15 Slavery and Community on the Galleys

Neither Knights nor Free Men: Outsiders Aboard the Galleys of the Order of Saint Stephen
*Georgina Watson, University of Manchester*
A Comparative Study of Representations of Protestant–Muslim Relations on Eighteenth-Century French Galley Ships
*Nora Baker, University of Birmingham*

## 3.15–3.30 Afternoon Tea

## 3.30–4.20 Credibility in the Bathhouse and Courtroom

The Royal Bagnio: Establishing a New Transcultural Space in Early Modern London
*Sarah Hess, University of Sheffield*
Social Inclusion and Child Guardianship as Affective Governance in Early Modern Ottoman Istanbul
*Eyup Ensar Dal, University of Manchester*

## 4.20–5.30 Open Discussion and Drinks