

# PROGRAM

**DAY 1  
NOVEMBER 19**

**Venue: IFAO**

## Rural Worlds and Social Classes in Egypt

9am-9:30am: Coffee

9:30am-9:45am: Welcome:

**Pascal Menoret** (CEDEJ), **Marie Vannetzel** (CNRS/IREMAM),  
**Idunn Lüllau Holthe** (University of Oslo), **Florian Bonnefoi**  
(CEDEJ/University of Poitiers)

9:45am-10:15am: Introduction: **Reem Saad** (Independent Researcher) and **Saker El Nour** (Independent Researcher/TANMO)

### PANEL 1

#### The Changing Relations of Land, Labor, and Agriculture

Discussant: **Saker El Nour** (Independent Researcher/TANMO)

10:15am-12:15pm

- **Alaa Amr Saad** (Johns Hopkins University): “Spaces in Motion: Labor’s Occupation and the Politics of Mobility” (on Zoom)
- **Salam Mohamed Abeid** (Freie Universität Berlin): “Going to Work or Going to War? Time, Class, and the Everyday in Al Sahel”
- **Wendy Doyon** (American Research Center in Egypt): “An Economy in Ruins: Transforming rural Egypt through the creation of antiquities land and the regulatory structures of archaeology, 1850-1914”
- **Alaa Attiah Mitwaly** (University of Toronto): “The Gardens of the Inhabitable: Imaginaries of the Desert between colonial and class politics” (on Zoom)

12:15pm-1:45pm : Lunch

### PANEL 2

#### Social Class and its Cultural Proxies

Discussant: **Youssef El Chazli** (Paris 8 University)

1:45pm-3:45pm

- **Mukhtar Shehata** (Independent Researcher): “Minyat al-Murshid: From a Village to a Semi-City. An Ethnography of a New Fishermen Society (Urbanism, Class, Gender)” (in Arabic)
- **Kawkab Tawfik** (IFAO): “The Mawālid of the Rural Delta: Subaltern Forms of Resistance between Space Control and Power Negotiation”
- **Noha Fikry** (University of Toronto): “Parties, Gifts, and Summer Gateways: Revisiting Social Class in Rural Egypt” (on Zoom)
- **Idunn Lüllau Holthe** (University of Oslo): “Heritage Lost and Re-found: Mudbrick as Climate Smart Architecture or an Elitist Dream?”

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**DAY 2  
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9:30-10:00 : Welcoming and Coffee

## **PANEL 3**

### **Social Hierarchies and Governance Actors in Rural Areas**

Discussant: **Yasmine Moataz** (AUC)

10am-12pm

- **Hania Sholkamy** (AUC): “Poverty Targeting in Rural Egypt: Assumptions, Practices and Consequences of Imagined Distinctions”
- **Sahar Abd El Khalek** (Cairo University): “Weekly Markets in Rural Egypt: A Study about Social Non-Movements”
- **Ghada Ewis** (Independent researcher): “Medicine as Tamween: The Relationship between Rural Areas and the State through Government Medicine” (in Arabic)
- **Pascal Menoret** (CEDEJ): “Weed and Breed: The Social Landscape of Water Hyacinth in Egypt”

12pm-1:30pm: Lunch

## **PANEL 4**

### **Redefining Ruralities through Spatial and Social Mobilities**

Discussant: **Hanan Sabea** (AUC)

1:30pm-3:30pm

- **Mohamed Fareed** (University of Sharjah): “Transformations in Rural Egypt: The Influence of Urban Development on Cultural and Religious Practices among Returning Gulf Migrant Workers”
- **Mohamed Farid Almetwaly Alsaid Ahmed** (Ain Shams University): “Modeling Intrametropolitan Residential Mobility and Segregation Nexuses in the Greater Cairo Region”
- **Florian Bonnefoi** (CEDEJ/University of Poitiers): “Navigating Egypt: Spatial Capital and Trajectories of Rural Upper-Egyptians in Cairo and Damietta”

3:30pm-4:00pm: Concluding Remarks