

The 39th AMSS Annual Conference
*“Cosmopolitan Islam: Globalization
Transnationalism and Muslim Diasporas”*

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[Conference Venue: DePaul University's School for New Learning
14 E. Jackson Blvd, Rooms 805-806, Chicago, IL 60604]

8:00 – 9:00 a.m. Registration

9:00 – 9:20 a.m. Welcoming and Introductory Remarks

Aminah B. McCloud, DePaul University, Chicago, IL
(Program Chair)

Ali A. Mazrui, Binghamton University, Binghamton, NY
(AMSS President)

9:20 – 10:45 a.m. Panel 1 [14 E. Jackson Blvd: Rooms 805-806]
Cosmopolitan Islam: Identity Issues
Moderator & Discussant: Jasmin Zine, Wilfrid Laurier University, Ontario, Canada

Babacar Mbengue (DePaul University, Chicago, IL): “Transnational Islam, Migrancy and Cultural Congruence: The Case of West African Muslims in the United States”

Muna Ali (Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ): “Pre-9/11, I felt like an Average American ... Now I'm a group with Hippies and Punks”

Shabana Mir (Oklahoma State University, Stillwater, OK): “Clarifying Your Way through America: Civic and Muslim Identities on Campus”

10:45 – 11:00 a.m. Break

11:00 a.m. 12:30 p.m. Panel 2 [14 E. Jackson Blvd: Rooms 805-806]
Muslim Diasporas: Defining Cosmopolitanism and its Influence on Identities
Moderator & Discussant: Aminah B. McCloud, DePaul University, Chicago, IL

Hishaam Aidi (Columbia University, New York, NY): “Cosmopolitanism and Muslim Youth Movements in France”

Mazen Hashem (American Center for Civilizational and Intercultural Studies

[ACCIS], La Canada, CA): “Cultural Resilience and Ethnic Well-Being: Implications for American Muslims”

Helena Zeweri (New York University, New York, NY): “Defining ‘Afghanness’: Performing and Claiming Afghan Identity within the New York Afghan Diaspora”

12:30 - 1:00 p.m.

Luncheon Buffet

[Downtown Islamic Center of Chicago
231 S. State Street – **Second Floor**]

1:00 – 1:30 p.m.

Video Conference Presentation

[14 E. Jackson Blvd: Rooms 805-806]

Karim El Mantawi

Outreach Officer, Soliya, New York, NY

“Soliya: Cross-Cultural Educational Experience”

1:30 – 1:45 p.m.

Break & Dhur Prayer

[Downtown Islamic Center of Chicago
231 S. State Street – **Fourth Floor**]

1:45 – 3:15 p.m.

Panel 3

[14 E. Jackson Blvd: Rooms 805-806]

Muslim Cosmopolitanism: Interpreting Islam

Moderator & Discussant: Khaled Keshk, DePaul University, Chicago, IL

Besheer Mohamed (University of Chicago, Chicago, IL): “Islamic Extremism and Religiosity: A Multi-dimensional Model of Religiosity for Muslims in the United States”

Ermin Sinanovic (United States Naval Academy, Annapolis, MD): “Muslim Cosmopolitanism in a Globalizing World”

Kenan Cetinkaya (Temple University, Philadelphia, PA): “Ren and Imán: A Comparative Approach to Confucian and Islamic Virtues”

3:15 – 3:30 p.m.

Break

3:30 – 5:00 p.m.

Panel 4

[14 E. Jackson Blvd: Rooms 805-806]

Challenges of Globalization in Muslim Diasporas

Moderator & Discussant: Scott Hibbard, DePaul University, Chicago, IL

Saeed A. Khan (Wayne State University, Detroit, MI): “Examining the Transnational through the Transatlantic: An Assessment of the Muslim Diaspora in Europe and North America through World System Analysis”

Zareena A. Grewal (Yale University, New Haven, CT): “Ummah Debates: American Student-Travelers in the Middle East”

Junaid S. Ahmad (University of Cape Town, Cape Town, South Africa): “Native Informants and Neo-Orientalism in the ‘War on Terror’ Discourse in Pakistan”

5:30 - 5:45 p.m.

Concluding Remarks

Ali A. Mazrui, Binghamton University, Binghamton, NY
(AMSS President)

Aminah B. McCloud, DePaul University, Chicago, IL
(Program Chair)

5:45 – 6:00 p.m.

Break and Asr Prayer

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6:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Annual Grand Meeting - Open to Public

[14 E. Jackson Blvd: Rooms 805-806]

7:30 – 9:30 p.m.

Annual Banquet

The Palmer House Hilton Hotel, Honore Ballroom
[17 E. Monroe Street, Chicago, IL]

Ismail Raji al-Faruqi Memorial Lecture:

Keynote Speaker: Saskia Sassen

Robert S. Lynd Professor of Sociology, and member, Committee on
Global Thought, Columbia University, New York, NY

***Keynote Address: “Transnationalized Religions and
Renationalized States”***