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*“Looking Beyond 9/11: Islam in the West and
Democratic Trends in the Middle East and North Africa”*

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Friday, September 23, 2011

8:30 - 9:00 a.m. Registration

*9:00 - 9:30 a.m. Welcoming and Introductory Remarks
[899 Tenth Avenue (Room 630) - Between 58th & 59th Streets]*

Jane P. Bowers, John Jay College of Criminal Justice, CUNY
(Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs))

Ali A. Mazrui, Institute of Global Cultural Studies, Binghamton University, NY
(AMSS President)

*9:30 - 11:00 a.m. Panel 1 (899 Tenth Ave – Room 630)
The Arab Spring: Paths to Democracy in the Middle East and North Africa
Chair: Maria Volpe, John Jay College of Criminal Justice, CUNY
Discussant: Ricardo René Larémont, Binghamton University, Binghamton, NY*

Khalid Madhi (University of Illinois at Chicago, IL): “Morocco’s Islamism(s)
and the Arab Awakening: Opportunities and Limitations”

Umar A. Oseni (Harvard Law School, Cambridge, MA): “Toward a
Sustainable Peace in the MENA Region: Exploring Conflict Management
Techniques in Islam”

Mohamed Nimer (American University, Washington, DC): “The Prospect of
People Power Democracy in the Arab World”

11:00 - 11:15 a.m. Break

*11:15 a.m. - 12:45 p.m. Panel 2 (899 Tenth Ave – Room 630)
Moving Beyond Global Terror
Chair: Avram Bornstein, John Jay College of Criminal Justice, CUNY
Discussant: Imad ad-Dean Ahmad, Minaret of Freedom Institute, Bethesda, MD*

Jasmin Zine (Wilfrid Laurier University, Ontario, Canada): “ ‘Embedded Academics’ and the War on Terror: Race, Religion and the Securitization of Muslim Youth”

Khanum Shaikh (University of California, Santa Barbara, CA): “Religious Femininities, National Sovereignty and the Global War on Terror: Pakistan’s Lal Masjid Movement”

Itai Sneh (John Jay College of Criminal Justice, CUNY): “East-West Redemption is not beyond Us: The Rise of Islam in Wounded French Communities”

1:00 – 2:00 p.m.

Luncheon Keynote Address

[John Jay College of Criminal Justice, CUNY
455 W. 59th St. - Multi-Purpose Room 2200]

Announcement of Newly Elected Board

Ismail Raji al-Faruqi Memorial Lecture:

Keynote Speaker: Ali A. Mazrui, Institute of Global Cultural Studies, Binghamton University, NY

Keynote Address: “From the Tragedy of 9/11 to the Triumph of Tahrir Square”

2:00 - 2:30 p.m.

Dhur Prayers [Jum’ah Salat]

2:45 - 4:15 p.m.

Panel 3

(899 Tenth Ave – Room 630)

Muslim Women: New Realities

Chair: Yuksel Sezgin, John Jay College of Criminal Justice, CUNY

Discussant: Staci Strobl, John Jay College of Criminal Justice, CUNY

Shabana Mir (Oklahoma State University, Stillwater, OK): “Peer Culture as Campus Policy: American Muslim Women Students’ Identity Navigation”

Fauzia Erfan Ahmed (Miami University of Ohio, Oxford, OH): “Empire, Subalternity, and Ijtihad: Two Muslim Women’s Leadership Models in Post 9/11 America”

Celene Ayat Lizzio (Harvard University, Cambridge, MA): “Horizons of Islamic Feminist Discourses within the Academy”

4:15 - 4:30 p.m.

Break & Asr Salat

4:30 - 6:00 p.m.

Panel 4

(899 Tenth Ave – Room 630)

Islamophobia Post 9/11

Chair: Greg (Fritz) Umbach, John Jay College of Criminal Justice, CUNY

Discussant: Mucahit Bilici, John Jay College of Criminal Justice, CUNY

Saeed A. Khan (Wayne State University, Detroit, MI): “Shari’ah and Moral Panic in the United States: A Fear beyond the American Muslim

Community”

Katherine Merriman (Harvard University, Cambridge, MA): “Beyond Park 51: Mosques and Muslim Communities in New York City Post 9/11”

Hilal Elver (University of California, Santa Barbara, CA): “Islamophobia in the West: A Comparative Legal Analysis in North America and Europe”

6:00 - 6:15p.m.

Concluding Remarks

6:15 - 7:30 p.m.

Social Hour

(899 Tenth Ave – Room 630)

Annual Grand Meeting – Open to Public