

CURRICULUM VITAE

PERSONAL DETAILS

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RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Religion, religious culture, and society of the Islamicate Arabic-speaking societies in their Middle Ages (1000 to 1500 AD ca.).
 - Ibn Taymiyya: biographical tradition, thought, memory, legacy, early modern receptions (14th-17th centuries).
 - Siyāsa, shari‘a, administration of justice (14th to 15th centuries).
 - Sīra culture in the late Middle period - Sīra studies.
 - Manuscripts studies.
 - Book culture in Late Medieval and Early Modern Islamicate societies.
 - Historiography of the formative period of Islam (7th-10th centuries AD).
 - Qur’ānic studies.
 - Method and Theory in Islamic Studies.
 - Method and Theory in Historical Investigation (with a focus on area studies).
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EDUCATION

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| 2002 | PhD in Islamic Civilization: History and Philology, Sapienza, University of Rome, Italy. |
| 1997 | MA in Islamic Studies, School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London. |
| 1996 | “Laurea” (BA) 110/110 cum Laude in Classics, University of Bologna, Italy. |

ACADEMIC CAREER RECORD

- 2014-** **Associate Professor**
University of Bologna, Department of History and Culture
- 2011- 2014** **Assistant Professor**
University of Bologna, Department of History and Culture
- 2010-2011** **Research Fellow**
Zentrum Moderner Orient (ZMO), Berlin
- 2009 – 2010** **Adjunct Professor**
“LA SAPIENZA” University of Roma, Faculty of Humanities
- 2007-2009** **Adjunct Professor**
University of Perugia, Faculty of Political Sciences
- 2007-2008** **Adjunct Professor**
Institute of Religions and Culture, The Gregorian Pontifical University, Rome.
- 2006-2007** **Teaching fellow**
School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London, Department of History.
- 2004 – 2006** **Adjunct professor**
University of Bologna, Ravenna Campus, Faculty of Cultural Heritage Conservation.
- 2004-2005** **Post-doctoral Research Fellow**
Institute of Religious Studies, Trento, Italy.

GRANTS AND AWARDS

- 2010-2011** Research grant - DFG (Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft). Project: “Islamic pathways of reform: the reception of Ibn Taymiyya between the 16th and 18th centuries”.
- 2002-2003** Postdoctoral-doc research grant - Institute for Religious Studies - Trento (Italy).

- 1998-2001** Doctoral Research Grant, University of Rome.
- 1996** Fees Award Grant - British Academy (UK).
- 1996** One-year grant for graduate studies abroad, University of Bologna.

RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS

- 2016** Senior residential fellow at the Annemarie Schimmel Kolleg - Geschichte und Gesellschaft der Mamlukenzeit (1250-1517).
- 2009-2011** Research Associate - Department of History - SOAS (University of London).
- 2009-2007** Research Associate - Department of History - SOAS (University of London).

EDITORIAL POSITIONS

- 2018-** Cromohs - Cyber Review of Modern Historiography. Co-editor in chief of with Daniel Barbu, Giovanni Tarantino and Paola von Wyss Giacosa.
<https://oajournals.fupress.net/index.php/cromohs/>

ADVISORY BOARDS / PARTICIPATION IN INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH PROJECTS

- 2022-2027** Advisory Board - ERC Consolidator Grant: *UseFool. Knowledge and manipulation of nature between usefulness and deception in the Arabo-Islamic tradition (9th–15th century)*. Grant number 101043939 101043939. Principal investigator: Lucia Raggetti.

- 2017-2020** ANR – DFG: Muhammad in the Mirror of his Community in Early and Modern Islam. <https://prophet.hypotheses.org/research-teams>,

- 2019-** PIMo - *People in Motion: Entangled Histories of Displacement across the Mediterranean (1492-1923)*. Cost-action / European Cooperation in Science and Technology. Management committee members' and part of the “Paper in motion” working group - <https://www.peopleinmotion-costaction.org/workgroups/paperinmotion/>

TEACHING

UNDERGRADUATE AND GRADUATE COURSES (TAUGHT AND CONVENED)

- Muslims and Christians in the Islamic Mediterranean: (Hi)stories of Relations (Department of History and Culture, Bologna).
- Islamic Studies (Department of History and Culture, Bologna)
- History of the Near and Middle East (7th-16th centuries AC) (Department of History and Culture, Bologna)
- History and Institutions of the formative period of Islam (7th-8th centuries AD) (Department of History and Culture, Bologna)
- The Formation of Classical Islam (Sapienza, University of Rome)
- The Scriptures of Islam (Sapienza, University of Rome)
- Reform, Renewal and Traditionalism in pre-modern Islam (16th-18th centuries AC) (Sapienza, University of Rome)
- Islamic Societies and Cultures (University of Perugia)
- The Formation of Classical Islam (Gregorian University, Rome).
- Introduction to the History of the Near and Middle East (School of Oriental and African Studies)
- The Origins and Development of Islam in the Near & Middle East (School of Oriental and African Studies)
- Islamic Studies (Ravenna Campus, University of Bologna).

ADMINISTRATIVE ROLES

2024-	Coordinates the departmental group: Anthropology, Religions and Oriental Studies.
2024-	Departmental strategic plan: Quality Assurance Board (University of Bologna)
2019-	Second Cycle Degree in History and Oriental Studies: Quality Assurance Board - (University of Bologna)
2014-2017	Research Assessment Exercise Committee (University of Bologna)
2014-2012	Vice-Director of First Cycle Degree in Anthropology, Religions and Oriental Studies (University of Bologna)

LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

BOOKS AND EDITED VOLUMES

Bori, Caterina (2018), *Ibn Taymiyya: Receptions (14th – 17th Century)*, special issue of *The Muslim World* 108/1, 206pp. [Guest editor]

Bori, C. (2010), with Livnat Holtzman, *A Scholar in the Shadow – Essays in the Legal and Theological Thought of Ibn al-Qayyim al-Jawziyya*, special issue of *Oriente Moderno*, n.s XC/1, 293pp. [Guest editor]

Bori, C. (2003), *Ibn Taymiyya: una vita esemplare. Analisi delle fonti classiche della sua biografia* (English: *Ibn Taymiyya: an Exemplary Life. An Analysis of his Early Biographical Sources*). Monographic issue of *Rivista degli Studi Orientali*, LXXVI, 233pp. [Monograph]

JOURNAL ARTICLES

Bori C., *The Documentary Culture of a Medieval Middle Eastern State*. Bori legge Rustow, in: «*Storica*» 86 (2023), pp. 133-146.

Bori, C. (2023), *Sira Culture, Hadith and the Veneration of Muḥammad in the Later Middle Period: Ibn Nāṣir al-Dīn al-Dimaṣqī (d. 842/1438) as a Case Study.*, «*Arabica*», 70, pp. 376-435.

Bori, C. (2022), *An Interview with Konrad Hirschler*, «*Cromohs*» 25, pp. 68-76.

Bori, C. (2022), *Conclusive or Clue? Reading unexpected silences in our sources.*, «*Rivista degli Studi Orientali*» 95, pp. 24 -34.

Bori, C. (2021), *Konrad Hirschler. A Monument to Medieval Syrian Book Culture: The Library of Ibn ʿAbd al-Hādī (2020).*, «*al-ʿUsur al-wusta*» 29, pp. 348-355. [Book discussion]

Florence Buttay, Yavuz Aykan, Caterina Bori (2020), *A proposito di «Machiavelli, Islam and the East»* edited by Lucio Biasiori and Giuseppe Marcocci., «*Quaderni Storici*», 163 / a. LV, pp. 233 – 258.

Bori, C. (2018), *Ibn Taymiyya (14th to 17th century): Transregional spaces of reading and reception*, «*The Muslim World*», 108/1, pp. 87-123.

Bori, C. (2018), *Introduction*, «*The Muslim World*» 108/1, pp. 4-10.

Bori, C. with Livnat Holtzman (2010), *A Scholar in the Shadow*, «*Oriente Moderno*» n.s. 90, pp. 11 – 44.

Bori, C. (2009), *Alfred Louis de Prémare, John Wansbroughe le origini dell'Islam: questioni di ieri, letture di oggi*, «*Quaderni Di Studi Arabi*» n.s. 4, pp. 137- 158.

Bori, C. (2007), *Théologie politique et Islam à propos d'Ibn Taymiyya (m. 728/1328) et du sultanat mamelouk*, «*Revue De L'histoire des Religions*», 224/1, pp. 5-46

Bori, C. (2004), *A new Source for the Biography of Ibn Taymiyya*, «*Bulletin of the School of Oriental and African Studies*» 67, pp. 321-348.

Bori, C. (2003), *E di tutte le cose creammo una coppia. La teologia femminista islamica contemporanea*, «Annali di Studi Religiosi» 5, pp. 117-127.

Bori, C. (1999), *Notions of the Heart in the Qur'an and Muslim Tradition*, in: «Annali di storia dell'esegesi» 15/2, pp. 389-415.

BOOK CHAPTERS

Bori C., “*al-Siyāsa al-shar‘iyya*: from Governance to Judicial Practice. The changing faces of an elusive concept (14th to 15th centuries DC)”, in Petra Sijpesteijn and Birte Kristensen, *Expectations of Justice* (Berlin: De Gruyter, forthcoming).

Bori, C. (2022), *Ḥadīth Culture and Ibn Taymiyya’s Controversial Legacy in Early Fifteenth Century Damascus. Ibn Nāṣir al-Dīn al-Dimashqī and His al-Radd al-Wāfir* (d. 842/1438), in: Stephan Reichmuth, Denis Gril, Dilek Sarmis (eds.), *The Presence of the Prophet in Early Modern and Contemporary Islam. Vol. 1: The Prophet Between Doctrine, Literature and Arts: Historical Legacies and Their Unfolding.*, Leiden Boston, Brill, pp. 100 – 114.

Bori, C. (2021), *Istanbul, Süleymaniye Kütüphanesi MS Şehid Ali Paşa 1553: A Neglected Version of Ibn Taymiyya’s al-Siyāsa al-Shar‘iyya and Its Manuscript.*, in: Bethany J. Walker-Abdelkader Al Ghouz (eds.), *History and Society during the Mamluk Period (1250–1517). Studies of the Annemarie Schimmel Institute for Advanced Study III*, Göttingen, V&R unipress Bonn University Press, 2021, pp. 9 – 60.

Bori, C. (2019), *The Many Roads to Justice: A Case of Adultery in Sixteenth Century Cairo.*, in: Carlo Ginzburg with Lucio Biasiori, *A Historical Approach to Casuistry. Norms and Exceptions in Comparative Perspective*, London- New York, Bloomsbury, 2019, pp. 113-131.

Bori, C. (2018) *Religious Knowledge between Scholarly Conservatism and Commoners’ Agency*, in: Armando Salvatore (ed.), *The Wiley Blackwell History of Islam*, USA, New Jersey, Wiley / Blackwell Publishing, 2018, pp. 290 – 309.

Bori, C. (2017), *Il pensiero politico sunnita nel medioevo islamico. La questione del califfato: al-Mawardi (m. 1058) e Ibn Taymiyya (m. 1328)*, in: Massimo Campanini (ed.), *Storia del Pensiero Politico Islamico*, Firenze, Le Monnier Università, 2017, pp. 47 - 67

Bori, C. (2016), *One or two versions of al-Siyāsa al-shar‘iyya of Ibn Taymiyya? And what do they tell us?*, ASK Working Papers, Bonn, Annemarie Schimmel Kolleg, *History and Society during the Mamluk Era (1250-1517)*, 2016, pp. 1-30 [Working paper].

Bori, C. (2016), al-Dhahabi, in: *Encyclopaedia of Islam. Three.*, Leiden-Boston, Brill, 2016, pp. 73 - 80 [encyclopedia entry].

Bori, C. (2014), Aqhisārī, Haasan Kāfī al-, in: *The Oxford Encyclopaedia of Islam and Politics*, Oxford-New York, Oxford University Press, 2014, pp. 80-83 [encyclopedia entry].

Bori, C. (2014), *Un caos senza speranza? Studiare il Corano oggi* [English translation: *A Hopeless Chaos? Studying the Qur'ān Today*, Introductory chapter to the Italian edition of: Alfred-Louis de Prémare, *Alle origini del Corano*, Roma, Carocci, pp. 11-59.

Bori, C. (2013), *Theology, Politics and Society: The Missing Link. Studying Religion in the Mamluk Period*, in Stephan Conermann (ed.), *Ubi sumus? Quo vademus? Mamluk Studies - State of the Art*, Gottingen, Bonn University Press at V&R Press, 2013, pp. 57-92.

Bori, C. (2012), “All we Know is what We have been told”: *Reflections on Emigration and Land as Divine Heritage in the Qur'an.*, in: Carlos Segovia and Basil Lourie (eds.), *The Coming of the Comforter: When, Where, and to Whom? Studies on the Rise of Islam and Various Other Topics in Memory of John Wansbrough*, Piscataway, Gorgia Press, 2012, pp. 303-342.

Bori, C. (2010), *Ibn Taymiyya wa-Jamā 'atuhu. Authority, Conflict and Consensus in Ibn Taymiyya's Circle*, in Yossef Rapoport - Shahab Ahmed (eds.), *Ibn Taymiyya and his Times*, Karachi: Oxford University Press, pp. 23-52.

Bori, C. (2009), *Il pensiero radicale islamico da Ibn 'Abd al-Wahhab a Mawdudi e Sayyid Qutb: tradizione o modernità?* in: *Le religioni ed il mondo moderno*, vol. III Islam, ed. Roberto Tottoli, Torino, Einaudi, 2009, pp. 69 – 113.

Bori, C. (2005), *Ibn Taymiyya contro i filosofi logici*, in: *Storia della filosofia nell'Islam Medievale*, Cristina d'Ancona (ed.), Torino, Einaudi 2005, vol. 1, pp. 164-66 and pp. 173-79 [Translations with brief introduction].

Bori, C. (2004), Egira, in: *I racconti della storia*, vol. IV, a cura di Chiara Ottaviano, *Grande dizionario di storia*, Torino, Garzanti 2004, pp. 100-09 [Encyclopaedia entry].

REVIEWS (SELECTION)

2023 Antonia Bosanquet, *Minding Their Place. Space And Religious Hierarchy In Ibn Al-Qayyim's Aḥkam Ahl Al-Dhimma*, Leiden-Boston, 2020, in: *Islamochristiana* 49 (2023), pp. 420-426.

2021 Arjan Post, *The Journeys of a Taymiyyan Sufi: Sufism through the Eyes of 'Imād al-Dīn Aḥmad al-Wāsiṭī* (D. 711/1311), Leiden: Brill, 2020, in: «Journal of Sufi Studies» 9, pp. 257 – 262.

2020 Livnat Holtzman, *Anthropomorphism in Islam. The Challenge of Traditionalism* (700–1350), «Intellectual History of the Islamicate World», 9, pp. 1-6.

2018 Giovanna Calasso and Giuliano Lancioni (eds.), *Dār al-islām / dār al-ḥarb Territories, People, Identities*, Leiden: Brill: 2017, «CROMOHS», 21, pp. 143 - 149.

2016 Rebecca Williams, *Muhammad and the Supernatural Medieval Arab Views*, London-New York: Routledge 2013, in: *Islam and Muslim Christian Relations* 27/3, pp. 359-361.

2015 Abdul-Rahman Mustafa, *On Taqlid. Ibn al-Qayyim's Critique of Authority in Islamic Law*, Oxford & New York: Oxford University Press, 2013, in *Ilahiyyat* 6/1, pp. 130-136.

2014 David Bertaina, *Christian and Muslim Dialogues. The Religious Uses of a Literary Form in the Early Islamic Middle East*, Piscataway: Gorgias Press, 2011, *Adamantius* 19 605-607.

2013 Kristen Stilt, *Islamic Law in Action. Authority Discretion and Everyday Experiences in Mamluk Egypt* (New York: Oxford University Press, 2011), Pp. xii + 238, in *The Mamluk Studies Review* XVII, pp. 251-53.

2012 Gabriel Sayed Reynolds, *The Qur'an and its Biblical Subtext*, London: Routledge, 2010, in *Quaderni di Studi Arabi* 7 n.s pp. 268-269 and idem (ed.), *The Qur'an in its Historical Context*, London: Routledge: 2008 - in *Quaderni di Studi Arabi* 7 n.s, pp. 266-268.

2009 Jon Hoover, *Ibn Taymiyya's Theodicy of Perpetual Optimism*, in « *The Mamluk Studies Review* », xiii, pp. 173-177.

2006 Michael Bonner, *Le Jihad, origines, interprétations et combat*, traduit de l'anglais par Alix Barreau, Paris: Téraèdre, 2004 in *Islamochristiana*, pp. 314-317.

ORGANISATION AND DIRECTION OF WORKSHOPS (SELECTION)

Department of History, University of Bologna.

Convenor - Seminar series.

Guest: Ignazio de Francesco, *Etica islamica contemporanea. Norme, fonti, dottrine*, 6-8 May 2024 [in English: *Contemporary Islamic Ethics: Norms, sources and doctrines*].

Department of History, University of Bologna.

Convenor – Workshop.

Speakers: Arturo Marzano, Maria Chiara Rioli, Roberto Mazza, *Palestina-Israele: dal Sionismo delle origini al 1948. Eventi, documenti, interpretazioni*, 22 January 2024.

[in English: *Palestine-Israel: from early Zionism to 1948. Events, documents, interpretations*].

Department of History, University of Bologna.

Convenor - Seminar series: Guest Dr. Cecilia Palombo: *Material History and the Study of Early Islam*, 4-6 May 2022.

Department of History in partnership with the Department of Political Sciences, University of Bologna.

International conference co-organizer with Cigdem Oguz, Francesca Biancani, Paolo Capuzzo, and Mattia Guidetti: *The Centenary of the End of the Ottoman Empire: History, Political Change, and Memory*, 24-25 October 2022.

Department of History, University of Bologna.

Workshop Convenor with Giuseppe Cecere and Marco Golfetto: *Tradizioni manoscritte nelle società musulmane premoderne* (in English: *Manuscripts traditions in pre-modern Islamicate societies*), 31 May 2018

PISA – SeSaMo (Società italiana per gli studi sul Medio Oriente).

Convenor with Arturo Marzano, Rosita Di Peri, Lorenzo Kamel, Marco Lauri, Daniela Melfa, Maria Cristina Paciello, Renata Pepicelli, Marcella Simoni, *First International workshop for PhD students*, 30 November 2017 – 01 December 2017.

Department of History, University of Bologna.

Convenor - International workshop: *Ibn Taymiyya among the Mamluks and the Ottomans: Reception, Transmission, State of the Art*, 8 June 2015

First Conference of the School of Mamlūk Studies – University of Ca' Foscari, Venice. Panel co-organizer with Livnat Holtzman: *Epistemological boundaries in the Mamluk period: knowing from tradition, knowing from signs*, 23-25 June 2014.

CONFERENCE PAPERS & INVITED TALKS (SELECTION)

Rheinische Friedrich Wilhems Universität Bonn.

International workshop, *Fifty Years of Marshall G.S. Hodgson's Venture of Islam: A retrospective*.

Invited paper: *Microhistory, Global History and Marshall Hodgson (read from Italy)*, 19-20 January 2024

University of Bologna, International conference: *Sacrifice and sacred Violence. History, Comparisons and the Early Modern World*.

Invited paper: "Every little boy is taken as a pledge against his sacrifice at birth". 'Aqīqa and its functioning in late Medieval Muslim tradition", 14-15 december 2024

American University of Dubai - Invited lecture: *Ibn Taymiyya's Letter to a Ruler in Cyprus: Christian Muslim relations, or informal diplomacy?* -23 March 2023

University of Leiden – International workshop: *Expectations of Justice*.

Invited paper: *The legal history of a concept and its implications. from Ibn Taymiyya to Ibn Qayyim al-Jawziyya, and beyond (14th to 15th centuries)*, 8-10 June 2022

European University Institute. Research seminar: *The Islamic Mediterranean*.

Invited paper: 'Investigating Absences', 1 March 2022.

Leibniz Institute of European History, Mainz. International conference: *Religious Transformations in Europe: Individual Life Paths between Secularism and (New) Religiosity in the 19th Century*. Invited paper: "Individual secularizing trajectories in early 20th century Egypt: Muḥammad Luṭfī Jum‘a's (1886-1953), his Memories and Preface to the Prince", 13-15 October 2021.

"La Sapienza", Università di Roma. Istituto italiano di studi orientali.

Seminar cycle: *What is Islam? Ripensare il nostro ambito di studi*. [English: *What is Islam? Rethinking our scholarly field*].

Invited paper: "Normatività rivelate e non: sui fondamenti della siyāsa ed il suo rapporto con la shari'a, 4 June 2021 [English: Paper title: "Revealed and non-revealed normativity: on the foundations of siyāsa and its relationship with shari'a"]

Max-Planck-Institut für ausländisches und internationales Privatrecht - Hamburg: Afternoon Talks in Islamic Law. Invited talk: "An elusive concept: Ibn Taymiyya's vision of siyāsa shar'īyya", 21 June 2021.

Istituto Sangalli – Workshop for early career scholars: *Entangled Knowledges: Judaism, Christianity, Islam (13th-19th c.)*. Paper: "Learning and its Institutions in Late Medieval Cairo and Damascus (13th-15th centuries)", 2 October 2019.

Marrakesch – International conference: *The Presence of the Prophet and His Heritage*. Invited paper: "Taḳī al-Dīn al-Ḥiṣnī (d. 829/1426), against Ibn Taymiyya's Diminishing of the Prophet's Standing", 4-07 November 2018.

University of Ghent - *The Fifth Conference of the School of Mamluk Studies*.

Panel: *New approaches to Islamic political thought: Authors, texts, and conceptions in the Mamluk period*. Paper: "A neglected version of al-Siyāsa al-shar'īya fī iṣlāḥ al-rā'ī wa-l-ra'īya from the Mamluk period and its importance", 5-7 July 2018.

Department of History, University of Bologna
Workshop: *Tradizioni manoscritte nelle società musulmane premoderne* [English: *Manuscript traditions in pre-modern Muslim societies*].

Paper: “Governare conformemente alla normatività religiosa per l’integrità del pastore e del suo gregge”. Una “nuova” versione di al-Siyāsa al-shar’iyya fī iṣlāḥ al-rā’i wa l-ra’iyya ed il suo manoscritto.

[English: “Governance according to the revealed normativity. A “new” version al-Siyāsa al-shar’iyya fī iṣlāḥ al-rā’i wa l-ra’iyya and its manuscript”], 31 May 2018.

American University of Beirut. *Fourth Conference of the School of Mamluk Studies*.
Paper: “Defending the Right to Acknowledge Ibn Taymiyya as a Shaykh al-Islām: Ibn Nāṣir al-Dīn al-Dimashqī’s *al-Radd al-Wāfir* and Its Concerns”, 11-13 May 2018.

Annemarie Schimmel Kolleg, Bonn. End of stay research seminar.
Paper: “al-Siyāsah al-shar’iyyah: Receptions and Uses of a Successful Concept (14th-16th centuries)”, 25 July 2016.

Department of History, University of Bologna
International workshop: *Ibn Taymiyya among the Mamluks and the Ottomans: Reception, Transmission, State of the Art*.
Paper: “From Ibn Taymiyya (d. 1328) to Dede Efendi (d. 1567 ca.)? On Siyāsah shar’iyyah”, 8 July 2015.

Pontifical Institute for the Study for Arabic and Islamic Studies (PISAI) – Rome.
Keynote (opening of academic year): “Questions and implications of a historiographical shift: the Qur’an and Late Antiquity”, 16 October 2015.

University of Venice, Ca' Foscari.
First Conference of the School of Mamluk Studies.
Paper: “Firāsa as a source of legal judgement, or the “semeiotic” paradigm in the service of justice”, 23-25 June 2014.

Palazzo Strozzi, Scuola Normale Superiore di Pisa. International conference: *Norms and Exceptions. A Comparative Approach to Casuistry*.
Paper: “Cases, Examples, Precedents: The Many Roads to Justice (Egypt-Syria, 14th-16th centuries), 11-13 December 2014.

University of Roma Tre, Department of Law. Seminar cycle: *Cittadinanze e strategie di potere tra Medio Evo ed Età Moderna*. [English: *Citizenship and power in the Middle Age and Early Modern Period*].
Invited paper: ‘Fama’ and ‘infamia’ as proof in Islamic jurisprudence (13th-14th centuries), 21 June 2013.

Aix-Marseille Université. International workshop: *La vénération du Prophète en islam: le prophète comme modèle: implications doctrinales et pratiques*

dévotionnelles. Paper: "Lire et écrire la sira à l'époque mamelouke: une forme de vénération", 24 October 2013.

University of Ghent: 21st Colloquium on the History of Egypt and Syria in the Fatimid, Ayyubid, and Mamluk Eras (10th - 15th Centuries).

Paper: al-Hukm bi'l-firasah in Ibn Qayyim al-Jawziyya: preliminary reflections, 3-5 May 2012.

Rheinische Friedrich Wilhems Universität Bonn.

International Kick-Off-conference (December 16-18, 2011) of the Annemarie Schimmel Kolleg 'History and Society during the Mamluk Era (1250–1517).

Conference title: *Ubi sumus? Quo vademus? State of the Art.*

Paper: The Study of Religion in the Mamluk period: Problems and Perspectives, 16-18 December 2011.

Zentrum Moderner Orient (ZMO). Research project presentation: *Islamic Pathways of Reform: The Reception of Ibn Taymiyya Between the 16th and 18th Centuries*, 1 March 2010.

Zentrum Moderner Orient. International conference: *Neo-Hanbalism Reconsidered: The Legacy of Ibn Taymiyya and Ibn Qayyim al-Jawziyya.*

Paper: "Debating the status of Ibn Taymiyya in the 15th century: Ibn Nāṣir al-Dīn al-Dimaṣqī (d. 1438) and *al-Radd al-wāfir*", 23-25 October 2007.

University of Oxford - Faculty of Oriental Studies.

Invited seminar: "The collection and edition of Ibn Taymiyya's works concerns of a disciple", 1 April 2007.

School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS), University of London.

History Seminar. Invited seminar: "Ibn Taymiyya: a radical elitist or a popular hero?", 16 October 2006.

Yale University Council of Middle East Studies & Department of Religious Studies.

Invited seminar: "Ibn Taymiyya and Collective Identities. Questions about his authority among the Damascene traditionalists of his time", 12 April 2005.

Princeton University, Department of Near Eastern Studies International

conference: *Ibn Taymiyya and his Times*. Paper: "Ibn Taymiyya wa-ḡamā'atu-hu.

Authority, Conflict and Consensus in Ibn Taymiyya's milieu Consensus in Ibn Taymiyya's milieu", 8-10 April 2005.

REFeree WORK FOR ACADEMIC JOURNALS AND PUBLISHERS

Annales islamologiques
Annali di Ca' Foscari
Annali di Storia dell'Esegesi
Brill
Islam and Christian-Muslim Relations
Journal of Islamic Law
Journal of Islamic Law and Society
Journal of Qur'anic Studies
Oxford Journal of Islamic Studies
Studi e Materiali di Storia delle Religioni
Studi Magrebini

OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES

2003 Dionysia International Centre for Arts and Cultures (Rome)

Project Coordinator.

Project: *The Arts and Cultures of Acceptance* (funded by the Italian Ministry of Culture and Rome City Council of Rome)

Project's aim: Raising awareness about shared features of Islam, Judaism and Christianity through the performance of *Nathan the Wise* by G. E. Lessing (contemporary adaptation by Paul D'Andrea).

Duties: Designing a series of seminars on *Nathan the Wise* related topics. Developing a programme of preparatory workshops for the actors involved in the performance.

2002 IMED - Institute for the Mediterranean, Rome

Project Consultant.

Project: *Actions positives pour la citoyenneté et l'égalité des chances des femmes au Maghreb* (European Commission funded project)

Project's aim: Consolidating and implementing women's rights by empowering civil society.

Duties: Organization of a series of lectures on women's rights in Muslim societies.

LANGUAGES

Modern Languages

Italian: Native speaker
English: Excellent
French: Intermediate
Arabic: Intermediate MSA
German: Elementary / Working knowledge
Persian: Elementary

Classical Languages (reading & translating)

Latin

Ancient Greek

Classical Arabic

