Oxford Middle East Studies at 60
Friday 15 September – Saturday 16 September 2017
PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

Friday 15 September:

2:00 – 5:00 Registration (Buttery)

5:00 Plenary Panel: The Legacy of Albert Hourani’s Arabic Thought in the Liberal Age fifty years on (Eugene Rogan, Chair)
- Marilyn Booth
- Leyla Dakhli
- Abed Takriti
- Jens Hanssen

6:30 Reception (open to all)

7:30 Dinner in Hall (by prior registration only)

9:00 pm After-Dinner Panel: Reflection on the MEC over the Decades (Margaret MacMillan, Chair)
- Derek Hopwood
- Joseph Sassoon
- Suzy Assaad Wahba
- Moshe Ma’oz
- Mohammad Mattar
- Kevin Ross

Saturday 16 September:

Session 1: 10:30 – 12:00

1.A Israel and Palestine – Historical reflections (Avi Shlaim, Chair)
- Ilan Pappe
- Mezna Qato
- Abed Takriti
- Noa Schonmann

1.B Iran: History and Politics (Homa Katouzian, Chair)
- Leo Davoudi
- Eskandar Sadeghi Boroujerdi
- Maziyar Ghiabi
- Shaul Bakhash

1.C The Hashemites, the Bedouin and the British (Eugene Rogan, Chair)
- Ali Allawi
- Yoav Alon
- Graham Jevon

12:15 Lunch in Hall (by prior registration only)
Session 2: 1:30 – 3:00

2.A Iran: Culture and Society (Stephanie Cronin, Chair)
   - Joanna de Groot
   - Zuzanna Olszewksa
   - Nahid Siamdoust

2.B Egypt’s Revolutions (Walter Armbrust, Chair)
   - Margot Badran
   - Lucie Ryzova

2.C Social and Legal Transformations in the Middle East (Michael Willis, Chair)
   - Dorthe Engelcke
   - Angel Foster
   - Nur Laiq

3:00 Tea and Coffee (open to all, Buttery)

Session 3: 3:30 – 5:00

3.A The Persian Gulf (Toby Matthiesen, Chair)
   - Matteo Legrenzi
   - Ahmad Al-Dailami
   - Ambassador Jon Wilks

3.B North Africa (Michael Willis, Chair)
   - James McDougall
   - Anne Wolf
   - Max Gallien
   - Rory McCarthy

3.C Tolerance and Coexistence (Tariq Ramadan, Chair)
   - Derek Hopwood
   - Zachary Karabell
   - Avital Livny

3.D Culture and Society (Eugene Rogan, Chair)
   - Jennifer Dueck
   - Nadia von Maltzahn
   - Amikam Nachmani

5:15 State of the Middle East Centre Address by Eugene Rogan, Centre Director

5:30 Keynote Address by Tom Friedman, “The Age of Accelerations and Its Impact on the Middle East”

7:00 Dinner in Hall (by prior registration only)

9:00 Concert - The Oxford Maqam and after-dinner drinks (open to all)
Hailing from various backgrounds, the seven virtuoso musicians of the Oxford Maqam (including Oxford alumnus Martin Stokes) bring together a deep appreciation for music of the Arab world and Turkey of the 19th – to mid-20th centuries. A traditional chamber ensemble, the Oxford Maqam performs with an ear for the more cosmopolitan and improvisatory practices at the turn of the 20th century – a period of musical renaissance from Istanbul to Cairo. They have performed across Turkey and the U.K., including the BBC Arabic Service and the London Jazz Festival.