

The Eighth International Hybrid Conference on Islamic Civilisation

Sects, Sectarianism, and Sectarian Identities in Islam

Agenda

1-2, November, 2025

	November 1	November 2
8:45~9:10	Registration	Registration
9:10~9:30	Opening Remarks and Induction	
9:30~10:50	Keynote Lecture Dr. Harry Munt, ‘Sects, Sectarianism and Conflicts over Sacred Space in the Early Islamic Centuries’ <i>Moderated by Prof. I-Wen Su</i>	Keynote Lecture Prof. Ahmad Sunawari Long, ‘Muslim Sects: Theological and Philosophical Diversity of Islam’ <i>Moderated by Dr. Mashitoh binti Yaacob</i>
10:50~11:10	Tea & Coffee Break	
11:10~12:25	Panel I Prof. Takuro Kikkawa, ‘Overlooking sectarian attempts within the Jordanian Muslim Brotherhood in the 2020s: Contesting identities, intergenerational frictions, and changing space of the movement’ Prof. Takayuki Yokota, ‘Brotherhoods within the Brotherhood: Internal Division or New Development of the Egyptian Muslim Brotherhood?’ Prof. Kota Suechika & Prof. Yamao Dai, ‘Do Sectarian Differences Affect Support for Armed Non-State Actors? Evidence from Survey Experiments in Lebanon, Iraq, and Yemen’	Panel IV Mohammad Ikhwan Ismail, ‘Shi‘ite Thought in the Sunni Landscape of Malaysia: Towards an Inclusive Framework or Trapped at a Crossroads’ Muhammad Hilmi Jalil, ‘Sect as a Means, Not an End: Sectarian Fanaticism as an Obstacle to Healing Spiritual Diseases from the Islamic Perspective’ Izham Hakimi Bin Redzan, ‘Imam Ahmad Zarruq al-Fasi’s (d. 899 AH) Critique of Deviant Sufi Practices: A Study Based on ‘ <i>Uddat al-Murīd al-Şādiq</i> ’

	<i>Moderated by Dr. Ching-An Chang</i>	<i>Moderated by Prof. Kazuo Morimoto</i>
12:25~13:30	Lunch Break	
13:30~14:45	<p style="text-align: center;">Panel II</p> <p>Dr. Edmund Hayes, ‘Shrines as Sites of Early Muslim Identity: Between “Moderate Shi‘ism” and “Imami Shi‘ism”’</p> <p>Dr. Takahiro Hirano, ‘Sunni Transmitters in Imāmī Shi‘i Hadith’</p> <p>Prof. Kazuo Morimoto, ‘Sunni Engagement with Twelver Sanctity in 13th-Century Iraq: Reading <i>al-Na‘īm al-muqīm</i>, Dedicated to Badr al-Dīn Lu‘lu’</p> <p><i>Moderated by Prof. Sunawari</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Panel V</p> <p>Dr. Han Hsien Liew ‘The Influence of Mu‘tazilism on Ibn ‘Aqīl’s Political Thought’</p> <p>Dr. Ching-An Chang, ‘The resilience of the Syrian business community: from authoritarian, through revolution to forced migration’</p> <p>Dr. Mashitoh Binti Yaacob, ‘Eco-Ethics in Islamic Philosophy: Integrating Maqasid al-Shariah for Sustainable Environmental Khilafah’</p> <p><i>Moderated by Prof. I-Wen Su</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Concluding Remarks</p>
14:45~15:00	Tea & Coffee Break	
15:00~16:40	<p style="text-align: center;">Panel III</p> <p>Prof. Teruaki Moriyama, ‘Contesting the Title “<i>Aṣḥāb al-Ḥadīth</i>” and the Formation of Sunni Sectarian Identity’</p>	

	<p>Dr. Joshua J. Little, ‘Reconstructing the Earliest Varieties of Ḥadīth Criticism’</p> <p>Yi-Chia Chang, ‘Ibn Shihāb al-Zuhrī, Anti-Khārijī <i>Ḥadīths</i>, and Pro-Umayyad Discourse: An <i>Isnād-cum-Matn</i> Analysis’</p> <p>Prof. I-Wen Su, ‘Abū Ishāq al-Sabī‘ī and Early Kūfan Shī‘ism’</p> <p><i>Moderated by Dr. Harry Munt</i></p>	<p>Reading Session</p>
16:40~18:00	Campus Tour	
18:00	Reception Dinner	