



# Exploring Syria's Borders & Boundaries

State, Nation & Identities (XIX<sup>th</sup> C. 2017)

Venue

Nov. 15 : St Antony's College, MEC

Nov. 16 : Maison Française d'Oxford

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# EXPLORING SYRIA'S BORDERS & BOUNDARIES - PROGRAM

**WEDNESDAY, 15 NOVEMBER 2017 - 9:00AM TO 5:00PM**

**Venue:** Board Room, St Antony's College – 68 Woodstock Road, OX26JF

**Convenor:** Matthieu Cimino

## INTRODUCTION

09.00 – 09.30

**BY PR. EUGENE ROGAN (MEC) & DR. MATTHIEU CIMINO (OI)**

## SESSION 1

09.30 – 12.00

### SYRIAN BORDERS: HISTORY REVISITED (1920-2011)

With Dr. Seda Altug (Freie Universität Berlin), Dr. Souhail Belhadj-Klazj (IHEID), Mr. Idir Ouahes (University of Exeter), Dr. Matthieu Rey (CNRS/IREMAM), Dr. Benjamin T. White (University of Glasgow)

**DISCUSSANT : DR. NASSIMA NEGGAZ (CARDIFF UNIVERSITY)**

## SESSION 2

2.00 – 4.45

### SPATIAL & TERRITORIAL RECONFIGURATIONS: SYRIA SINCE 2011

With Dr. Şule Can (Binghamton University), Dr. Jordi Tejel (IHEID) Dr. Daniel Meier (CNRS/Pacte), Dr. Myriam Ababsa (IFPO Amman) Dr. Kevin Mazur (Oxford, Nuffield College)

**DISCUSSANT : TBD**

## KEYNOTE

### SPEECH

5.00 – 7.00

**BY DR. ZIAD MAJED (AMERICAN UNIVERSITY OF PARIS)**

**Topic:** « War crimes, crimes against humanity and territorial fragmentation: are peace and reconstruction possible in Syria? »

**Venue:** Investcorp Building, St Antony's College

**THURSDAY, 16 NOVEMBER 2017 - 9:00AM TO 2:00PM**

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## SESSION 3

09.15 – 11.45

### IMAGINING THE WORLD: NON-STATE ACTORS AND THEIR PERCEPTIONS OF SYRIA'S TERRITORY

With Dr. Ali Nehme Hamdan (UCLA), Dr. Thomas Pierret (CNRS) Dr. Ozlem Galip (Oxford, OI), Dr. Matthieu Cimino (Oxford, OI) Dr. Myriam Benraad (Leiden University)

**DISCUSSANT : DR. RAPHAËL LEFÈVRE (NUFFIELD)**

## CONCLUSIONS

1.00 – 2.00

**BY DR. MATTHIEU CIMINO**

« Syria's Borders & National identity: Theoretical Perspectives »

This event will be podcasted.



## DR. ZIAD MAJED (AUP)

« *War crimes, crimes against humanity and territorial fragmentation: are peace and reconstruction possible in Syria?* »



**Ziad Majed**, a Lebanese/French political scientist, is an associate professor of Middle East studies and International Affairs at the American University of Paris. His research focuses on Lebanon, Syria, Political transitions, Consociationalist systems and Political Islam. In 2007, he co-founded the *Arab Network for the Study of Democracy*.

Dr. Majed's latest publication: *Syrie, La révolution orpheline* (Syria, the Orphan Revolution), Paris, 2014. He also has two blogs: [ziadmajed.blogspot.com](http://ziadmajed.blogspot.com) (in Arabic) and [vendredis-arabes.blogspot.com](http://vendredis-arabes.blogspot.com) (French and English).



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