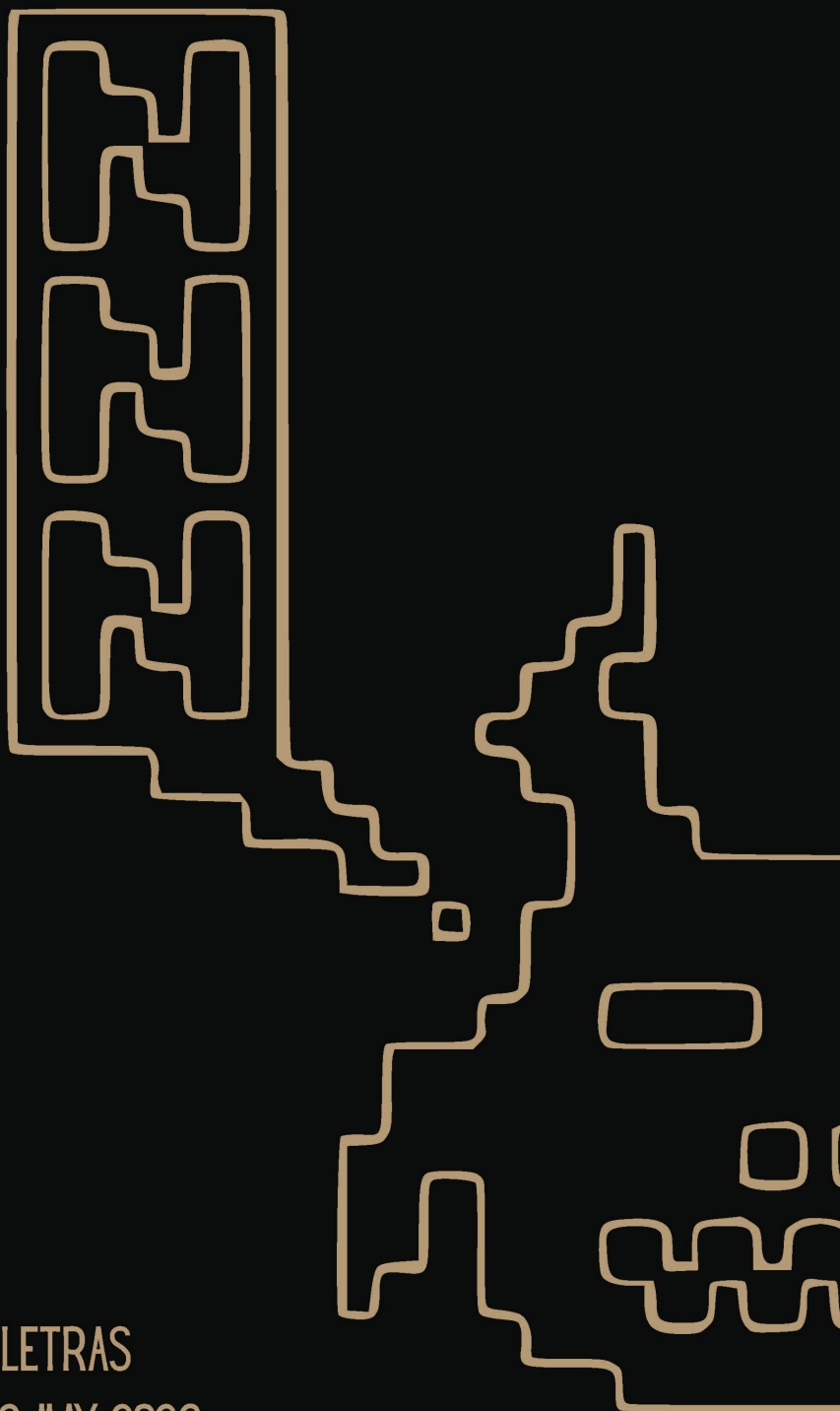


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Campus de Teatinos
Bulevar Louis Pasteur 27, Málaga
Room: Sala de Juntas “Rodríguez de Berlanga”

Day 1 — 20 May

12:15–12:30 Welcome

Mark Sedgwick (President, ENSIE)
Antonio de Diego González (Universidad de Málaga)

12:30–14:00 Panel 1 7 – Human, oh/not So Human

Chair: Antonio de Diego González

Jonah Vos – *Non-Normative Bodies in Medieval and Early Modern Islamic Magic and Mysticism*

Amina Gonzales – *Insights into the Notion of the Two Breaths in Ibn Barrajān*

Youna Eskandari – *The Human Horizon in the Mystical Anthropology of Imām Khomeini*

Lunch 14:00–15:00

15:00–16:30 Panel 2 – Jinn and the Spirit World

Chair: Mark Sedgwick

Łukasz Piątak – *Angels and Devils within: Badr al-Dīn al-Simāwī and his Concept of Jinn*

Amina Inloes – *Where do Jinn Live?*

Hüseyin Cahit Sarıkaya – *Conjuring Jinns, Angels, and Spirits Through the Sciences: Occultism, ‘Ilm, and Nature in the Da‘vetnāme*

Coffee Break 15:00–15:30

15:30–16:30 Round table

Soledad Davies and Antonio de Diego González — *Contemporary Practices and Islamic Esotericism in Dialogue*

Day 2 — 21 May

09:30–11:00 Panel 3 – Jinn in the Modern World

Chair: Eyad Abuali

Maryam Abbasi – *Jinn in Contemporary Iran*

Taylor M. Moore – *Subjugating Jinn in Twentieth Century Egypt*

Mark Sedgwick – *The Jinn in Contemporary English-language Fantasy Fiction*

Coffee Break 11:00–11:30

11:30–13:00 Panel 4 – Medieval Cosmology and Non-Human Agents

Chair: Antonio de Diego González

Eyad Abuali – *Non-human Agents in Medieval Sufi Soteriology*

Fares Gillon – *Human Angels, Angelic Humans and Ontological Principles: What is an Angel in Early Shi'ism and Ismailism?*

Liana Saif – *Containing the Demiurge in Early Abbasid Intellectual Culture*

13:00–14:00 Panel 5 – Sufism and the Invisible Today

Chair: Nur Sobers-Khan

Ricarda Stegmann – *Dealing with the Invisible in Contemporary Western Sufism*

Oleg Yarosh – *Practices, Efficacy, and Epistemic Order in Western Sufism*

Lunch 14:00–15:30

15:30–16:30 Panel 6 – Digital Worlds and New Media

Chair: Ali Qadir

Fadoua Mhidia – *Programming as Operative Practice*

Renasha Khan – *Digital Mediation, Non-Human Agency, and Muslim Ethical Life in East London*

Coffee Break 16:30–17:00

17:00–18:00 Panel 7 – Animals, Landscapes, and Sacred Places

Chair: Jannis Kostelnik

Annalisa Bocchetti – *Signs from the Sea: More-Than-Human Encounters at a Sufi Coastal Shrine*

Nur Sobers-Khan – *Humans, Nonhumans and Grotesqueries in Islamic South Asia*

18:00–18:30 ENSIE General Meeting

Conference Dinner

Day 3 — 22 May

10:30–11:30 Panel 8 – The Limits of the Human

Chair: Eyad Abuali

Amila Buturović – *The Edge of Humanity and Porous Borders in Ottoman Bosnia*

Antonio de Diego González – *Other-than-Human Agencies in Iqbal's Javidnama*

Coffee Break 11:30–12:00

12:00–13:00 Panel 9 – Food, Water, and Material Religion

Chair: Liana Saif

Jannis Kostelnik – *Kolanuts as Agents of Health and Spirituality in West African Manuscripts*

Shobhana Xavier – *Waters and Saints: A Mapping of Sufi Ecological Time in Contemporary Sri Lanka*

13:00–14:00 Panel 10 – Exegesis and Language

Chair: Mark Sedgwick

José Bellver – *The Author of the so-called Risālat al-Ḥurūf attributed to Sahl al-Tustarī*

Bennet Alberth – *“This is now the ABC of the abyss”: Rethinking voces magicae in the Lapidary of ‘Uṭārid*

Lunch 14:00–15:00

15:00–16:30 Panel 11 – Transmission and Adaptation of Esoteric Knowledge

Chair: Antonio de Diego González

Tommaso Previato – *Sinophone Threads of Islamic Esoterica: Entangled Knowledge and Translingual Practices in Yang Baoyuan's Mystical Poetry*

Yasemin Kınay – *A Metaphysical System of Protection in the Seventeenth-Century Ottoman World: Talismans of Istanbul in Evliya Çelebi's Seyahatname (The Book of Travels)*

Hamide Elif Üzümcü – *Imaginal Ecologies: The Environment in Children's Storytelling within Sufi Contexts*

Coffee Break 16:30–17:00

17:00–18:30 Panel 12 – Cosmology and the Structure of the World

Chair: Jannis Kostelnik

Diana Lunkwitz – *Planetary Economy: Global Islam, Anthroposophy, and the Dynamics of Economic Agents*

Ali Qadir & Tatiana Tiaynen-Qadir – *Mystical Consciousness and the Disposition to Creation*

Mona Jahangiri – *Exploring the Qur'ānic Concept of Ṭayy al-arḍ*

18:30–19:00 Closing Plenary Session

DAY 4 — 23 MAY: Excursion to Córdoba