

This is in relation to the call for proposals for the ISA Convention 2015 with a theme entitled “Global IR and Regional Worlds: A New Agenda for International Studies.” For further details, see <http://www.isanet.org/Conferences/NewOrleans2015/Call.aspx>

Co-IRIS (International Relations and Islamic Studies Research Cohort) is planning to submit two proposals, one or more traditional panels (number of panels depend on the papers received by the Co-IRIS team) and one workshop (aiming for financial support by ISA). Our panel title is “**International Relations and Islamic Studies: A New Agenda**” and our workshop title is “**Co-IRIS: Islamic Perspectives on Theory and Praxis in International Relations.**”

Co-IRIS was established by a group of researchers interested in developing and sustaining a body of knowledge that addresses the theories and practices of the Muslim civilization and of Muslim societies with regards to international affairs and to the discipline of International Relations. For more details about Co-IRIS, please visit our website at www.coiris.org. We are taking ISA’s theme as an opportunity to make the case of presenting Islamic ontology, episteme, methods, paradigms, and history for the study of International Relations and global affairs and for discussing the experiences and praxis of Muslim-dominated actors (nations and organizations) and their interactions and behaviors among themselves and with non-Muslim dominated actors in the fora of international affairs regardless of time period.

A list of welcome themes/topics includes:

- Islam as a theory of IR?
- Islamic norms and values in IR
- Islamic agencies and actors of IR
- Islamic sources in International Law
- Plurality and Solidarity in Muslim Societies
- Deciphering theories of IR with Islamic episteme
- Social Movements, Democratization, and the Arab Spring
- Is there an Islamic Nation-State? Or Islam is a civilizational state?
- Islamic thinkers, e.g. al-Qaradawi, Khaldun or Qutb, and their thoughts on IR
- Comparing the Islamic ‘ummah’ with the ‘international society’ of the English School of IR

If you want to add more, you are welcome to suggest themes or topics relevant to Co-IRIS. Also, please do not hesitate to contact us if you have ideas, comments, or opinions about Co-IRIS. Please email us your (200-300 word) abstract and (100 word) biographical information by **May 26, 2014** for traditional

panels, and by **July 11, 2014** for the workshop at info@coiris.org. We are looking forward to receiving your proposals.