

# The Islamic and Middle Eastern Studies (TIMES) Postgraduate Symposium 2018

University of Birmingham

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**Keynote Speaker:**  
**Prof. Shaheen Sardar Ali**  
**Professor of Law**  
**University of Warwick**

## **Call for Papers:**

Following the success of the first TIMES Post-Graduate Symposium in May 2017, TIMES Forum invites proposals for individual papers on any aspect or sub-discipline of Islamic and/or Middle Eastern Studies for its 2nd Annual Symposium in May 2018. TIMES Forum was set up in 2015 by researchers from a range of disciplines at the University of Birmingham and Birmingham City University. Our membership has steadily grown since, with members from different disciplines and institutions in the Midlands and beyond meeting to share their research. With the aim of promoting and providing a platform for post-graduate research on Islam and the Islamic world (broadly conceived), we invite proposals for papers that will be 20 minutes in length.

We welcome papers on a wide variety of subjects relating to the Islamic and Middle Eastern world including, but not limited to the following:

- Philosophy, Theology & Qur'anic studies
- History - medieval and modern
- Law
- Politics and Social Policy
- Arts and Architecture
- Literature, Language & Translation
- Culture & Sociology
- Intellectual History
- Sufism
- Economics and Finance

We will also consider creative visual submissions. Individual proposals, if accepted, will be grouped with similar submissions by the conference organisers. **Registration is free and there are a number of bursaries available to support travel expenses for speakers.** If you will be claiming travel expenses, please mention this with your submission.

## **How to submit your paper proposal**

A 200-word abstract should be submitted using the attached form. Please save the document as follows: "Your surname\_your first name\_paper". Example: "Smith\_John\_paper". Alternatively, you may submit the information into the body of the email.

All paper submissions must be in English.

All completed forms should be sent by email attachment to [timesforum@contacts.bham.ac.uk](mailto:timesforum@contacts.bham.ac.uk) by **Wednesday 21st February 2018**. Please title your email "TIMES Symposium Submission". You will receive an email notification confirming the receipt of your form.

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All paper proposals will be reviewed by at least two members of the TIMES Symposium Committee. We will contact you in early **March 2018** to inform you as to whether your paper has been accepted. If you have any questions, please contact the Symposium Committee on: [timesforum@contacts.bham.ac.uk](mailto:timesforum@contacts.bham.ac.uk)

We look forward to receiving your submission.

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