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CONFERENCE ON GLOBAL ENCOUNTERS IN PALESTINIAN REFUGEE CAMP- YARMOUK IN DAMASCUS, SYRIA

Saturday 30th of October 2021

From 10.00 to 16.00

Copenhagen-Denmark

Venue: Rytmisk Center Vesterbrogade 107E, 1620 København

Objectives

This conference has a twofold objective. Firstly, it seeks to highlight the cultural heritage of Yarmouk- a place once called the capital of the Palestinian diaspora. This will be accomplished by bringing scholars, activists, cultural figures and NGO experts together to share their work with each other and with a broader audience. The conference also aims to underscore local-global encounters and hierarchies experienced in the spacial social field of Yarmouk but that can be found in other spaces, based on the assumption that we all have shared values, thoughts and critical points that are anchored in our local practices.

Morning Session

Time	Speakers	Theme
10.00- 10.10	Buthaina Shaheen & June Dahy Members of the Syrian Cultural Institute	Welcome with coffee, tea, croissant Elaborating on the conference
10.10-10.15	Michelle Pace Professor in Global Studies at Roskilde University	Chair for the morning session
10.15-10.35	Nell Gabiam: Associate Professor of anthropology and political science at Iowa State University	Yarmouk: Beyond the camp and beyond the refugee experience
10.35- 10.55	Hazem Aboyouness: Activist. Co-founder of Alseeraj organization for development and health care. Founder and member of Arabic book fair - Malmö	The way between Yarmouk, Malmö, and Haifa
10.55-11:15	Mette EL Stendevad: Experienced educator and doctoral candidate in sociology, University of Leicester	A Struggle of Memory against Forgetting: "Palestinian Women of Syria Speaking Back"
11.15-11.35	Speakers & audience	Questions & discussions

11.35- 11.45	Break	Coffee, tea, snacks
11.45-13.00	Film screening	The Shebabs of Yarmouk In the honour of the memory of the late director of the film Axel Salvatori-Sinz

Afternoon Session

Time	Speaker/activities	Theme
13:30-13:35	Ida Lund Advocacy specialist & educator	Chair for the afternoon session
13.35- 13.55	Mara Kronenfeld: Executive director of UNRWA-USA	Volunteering in Yarmouk Advocacy in building awareness about the plight of Palestinian refugees
13:55-14:15	Maher Chawich: Journalist and researcher- the Action Group for the Palestinians of Syria based in London	Advocating for the humanitarian, social, and economic issues of Palestinian-Syrians
14.15- 14.35	Mohammed Hamid: Teacher & activist in the field of civil and social institutions, graduate of the University of Science in Damascus, student at University College Copenhagen	The cultural scene in Yarmouk: Cultural institutions and NGO's work The influence of the commercial scene on culture
14.35-14.55	Speakers & audience	Questions & discussions
14.55- 15:05	Break	Coffee, tea, snacks
15.05-16.00	Music with Nour Amoura	

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