

MIGRATIONS *Within* THE MIDDLE EAST

A Roundtable Discussion

Thursday, February 23, 2017 | 7:00–8:30 p.m.

Thomson Hall, Rm. 101

University of Washington–Seattle

Free and open to the public

This roundtable discussion on migrations within the Middle East and North Africa (MENA) will address the fact that the vast majority of Middle East migrations, including the current refugee crisis, take place within the region, with most displaced peoples seeking refuge in camps at the borderlands. Moreover, not all migration within the MENA consists of refugee movements, but also labor migrations. Featuring regional experts, this panel discussion will provide background and context on major currents in Middle East migrations from historical, demographic, anthropological, and practitioner perspectives.

FEATURING

The Journey to Arabia: An Ethnographic Portrait of Migration in the Indian Ocean World

ANDREW GARDNER, Professor, Anthropology, University of Puget Sound

Labor Migration and the Future of Urban Development: A Regional View

ALI MODARRES, Director and Professor, Urban Studies, University of Washington–Tacoma

Migratory Histories: Case Studies of the Armenians, Palestinians, and Egyptians

NOVA ROBINSON, Assistant Professor, International Studies and History, Seattle University

Impelled Migration in the Middle East

RITA ZAWAIDEH, Seattle Activist & Humanitarian; Owner, Caravan-Serai Tours; and Board of Directors, Arab American Community Coalition of Washington State

ARZOO OSANLOO (Moderator), Associate Professor, Law, Societies & Justice; and Director, Middle East Center, University of Washington–Seattle

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