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1ST INTERNATIONAL COLLOQUIUM

*Libraries and the Transmission of Islamic
Thought in Africa*

108 Harris Hall
Evanston, Illinois

FRIDAY 25 May

• 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon

Learned Networks

We Are Many and We Are One: Nasiriyya Networks and the Social Contexts for Scholarship in the Northern Sahara, 1660-1830
David Gutelius (SRI International)

Worlds 'Apart': The Tablighi Jamaat' Under Apartheid 1963-1993
Ebrahim Moosa (Stanford University)

From Wadi Mizab to Unguja, Zanzibar's Scholarly Links
Philip Sadgrove (University of Manchester)

• 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

The Tijani Tradition

La Politique Musulmane Française et la Fondation d'une Confrérie: les Origines de la Hamawiyya Revisitées
Jilali el-Adnani (Wissenschaftskolleg zu Berlin)

Some Recent and Forthcoming Publications on the Tijāniyya
Bernd Radtke (University of Utrecht)

'The Shurafā and the Blacksmith' The role of Idau Ali of Mauritania in the Career of the Senegalese Tijāni Shaykh Ibrahim Niassé (1900-75)
Rüediger Seesemann (University of Bayreuth)

SATURDAY 26 May

- 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon

Muslim Scholarship and Social Issues

Zanzibar: Some 19th Century Arabic Writings on Healing
Lorenzo Declich (Universita "La Sapienza", Roma)

The Ramadhan Lectures of Sheikh Abdilahi Nassir: a Swahili Scholar's Social Critique, Mombasa (1419 A.H.; 1998-1999)
Kai Kresse (School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London)

Expansion of Women's Access to Islamic Learning in Northern Nigeria
Muhammad Sani Umar (Arizona State University)

- 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Keynote Address

Islamic Knowledge in Senegal: Remarks on Popular and Learned Channels of Transmission
Souleymane Bachir Diagne (Cheikh Anta Diop University, Dakar, and Northwestern University)

- 3:15 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Sufi Networks

Islamic Thought and Intellectual Traditions of the Benadir Coast 1850 - 1920
Muhammad Kassim (York University, Toronto)

The Adventures of Abu Harith: Scholarly Riḳlat and Navigating the Modern World
Scott Reese (Xavier University)

SUNDAY 27 May

- 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Libraries and Documents

Saharan Wells of Islamic Knowledge from the Seventeenth to the Nineteenth Centuries
Ghislaine Lydon (University of California at Los Angeles)

The Kati Library in Timbuktu: Findings of Survey in October 2000
Albrecht Hofheinz (Wissenschaftskolleg zu Berlin)

The Library Tradition in 16th Century Timbuktu [a footnote to Dr Hofheinz's paper]
John Hunwick (Northwestern University)

More Valuable Than Any Other Commodity: Arabic Manuscript Libraries and Their Role in Islamic Revival of the Bilād al-Ḥarām
Muhammad Shareef (Sankore Institute of African Islamic Studies)

- 12:30 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Concluding Remarks