

CALL FOR PAPERS

International Workshop *Remembering al-Andalus and the Maghrib in the Mashriq*

In the framework of the project *Al-Andalus and the Maghrib in the Islamic East: mobility, migration and memory, AMOI-II* (grant PID2020-116680GB-I00; directed by Maribel Fierro and Mayte Penelas, and funded by MCIN/AEI/10.13039/501100011033), an International Workshop under the title *Remembering al-Andalus and the Maghrib in the Mashriq* will be held on 23-24 November 2023 in Granada.

On the basis of the results achieved during a previous project (*Local Contexts and Global Dynamics: al-Andalus and the Maghrib in the Islamic East, AMOI, FFI2016-78878-R AEI/FEDER, UE*), whose aim was to study the impact of knowledge produced in the Islamic West (al-Andalus and the Maghrib) on the “central” regions of the Islamic world, the *AMOI-II* project focuses on three dimensions – mobility, migration and memory – with the aim of understanding better these processes and their consequences. Mobility (study trip, pilgrimage to Mecca, circulation of books) and migration of scholars and other people (especially from the 6th/12th century onwards, as a consequence of the Christians’ territorial advance and internal conflicts) to the “central” regions of the Islamic world resulted in the temporary but also lasting settlement in these regions of scholars whose formation, initial production and outlook had taken place in the Islamic West (Maghreb). Such dynamics gave rise to a memory: the Andalusis and Maghribis who settled in the East produced explanatory narratives of the experiences they went through in works of different genres, which were integrated into the historiography of the host regions in a variety of ways. It is on this third dimension – namely, the construction of a memory of the Islamic West outside the Maghrib – that this international workshop mainly focuses.

The aim of this workshop is to bring together scholars interested in such questions as how those Andalusis and Maghribis that travelled and/or migrated to the East described their experiences, and which image they projected of the land they or their ancestors came from; and whether or not, and how, those narratives were integrated into the historiography of the host regions. Papers addressing similar experiences from “the other edge” (i. e., the Iranian world) can also be of interest.

Researchers interested in participating in this workshop are invited to submit a brief proposal along with a brief bio.

Please, submit proposals to Mayte Penelas (mpenelas@eea.csic.es) by 30 April 2023.

The AMOI-II project will pay for travel and accommodation for those scholars whose proposals have been selected. The workshop is intended for a maximum of 25 participants.

