

## ***Call for Papers***

# **Cross-Points: A Cambridge–Stanford Graduate Conference in Arabic Literature**

Hosted at the University of Cambridge, UK

12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> September 2024

This two-day conference, hosted jointly by the PATH+ Research Unit at Stanford University and the Prince Alwaleed Bin Talal Centre of Islamic Studies at the University of Cambridge, will bring together doctoral students of Arabic literature, with the aim of building an inter-institutional community, fostering collaboration, and imagining new directions and methodologies for research. Conscious of the limitations imposed by adherence to temporal, geographical, and generic boundaries, we shall arrange our panels thematically. This approach will allow us to tease out connections between customarily diverse subfields. As such, we encourage applicants to engage with the broader implications of their research when submitting abstracts. Potential themes include but are not limited to:

- Textual ecologies
- Formulaic transgressions
- Canon (trans)formation
- Con-, sub-, and inter-textualities
- DisOrienting theory

We invite submissions for ten-minute papers on any aspect of Arabic literature. Please send an abstract of no more than 250 words and brief biographical information to [camstan.arablit@gmail.com](mailto:camstan.arablit@gmail.com) by 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024. Participation is restricted to doctoral students. Funding will be available to offset travel and visa costs, and accommodation will be provided. Further information on travel reimbursements will be sent to participants upon acceptance of their proposal.

Please contact the organisers with any questions. We look forward to hearing from you.

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