

# **ICSALT 2017: REPRESENTING SOUTH ASIAN SUFISM,**

## **13<sup>TH</sup> – 14<sup>TH</sup> APRIL**

**Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> April**

Pre-Conference Address

6 pm – 7.30pm, Faculty Lounge, Vice Chancellor's Office

Bruce Lawrence, Duke University

Reconsidering Sufism as Islamic Discourse: The Evidence and Arguments of Shahab Ahmed's *What is Islam? The Importance of Being Islamic*

**Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> April**

Opening Remarks

10.30 am, Room 101, Suleiman Dawood School of Business

Ghulam Moeenudin Nizami

Director, Gurmani Centre at LUMS

Opening Lecture

10.45 am – 11.45am, Room 101, Suleiman Dawood School of Business

Jamal Elias

University of Pennsylvania

‘Good’ versus ‘Bad’ Islam: Statist and Popular Attitudes towards Sufism in Pakistan and Beyond

Tea

11.45 am-12 pm, Outside Room 101, Suleiman Dawood School of Business

Appreciating Sufism, Appropriating Sufism

12-1.30 pm, Room B3, Suleiman Dawood School of Business

**Speakers:**

Sarah Abdullah

Lahore College for Women University

Problematizing the Globalization of Sufi Discourse

Tanvir Anjum

Qaid-e-Azam University

(Mis)representation of Sufism in the National Narrative of Pakistan

Amina Wasif

Lahore College for Women University

Refiguring the Concept of Wahdat ul Wajood in Contemporary Sufi Thought: A Study of Ali Zaryoun's Poetry

Discussant:

Nosheen Ali  
Aga Khan University, Karachi

Lunch  
1.30 pm-2.30 pm

Roundtable: Sufism in Muslim Imaginaries of the Past and Present  
2.30-3.30 pm, Room 104, Suleiman Dawood School of Business

Speakers

Amina Yaqin  
SOAS, University of London

Shahzad Bashir  
Stanford University

Nosheen Ali  
Aga Khan University, Karachi

Moderator

Sara Kazmi  
Lahore University of Management Sciences

Qawwali: Fareed Ayaz  
8 pm, Central Courtyard, Academic Block

**Friday 14<sup>th</sup> April**

Sufi Practice Across Contexts  
10 am-11.30 am, Room 104, Suleiman Dawood School of Business

**Speakers**

Lukas Werth  
Lahore University of Management Sciences  
Transcending Religious Borders: The Shrine of Baba Hare Shah

Iffat Batool

Government College University  
Experiences of Sufi Suhbat and Spiritual Healing

Haroon Khalid  
Journalist and Author  
A Visit to Aban Shah: Pre-Islamic Roots of a Muslim Shrine's Fertility Cult

### **Discussant**

Ali Usman Qasmi  
Lahore University of Management Sciences

Tea  
11.30 am-11.45 am, Outside Room 104, Suleiman Dawood School of Business

Performing Sufism: From Script to Screen  
11.45 am-1.15 pm, Room 104, Suleiman Dawood School of Business

### **Speakers**

Rafiq ul Islam  
Government Postgraduate College, Bahawalpur  
فروغ تصوف میں ردو اداستانوں کا کردار

Shahwar Kibria  
Jawaharlal Nehru University  
The Sufi Qawwali in International and Digital Music Cultures

Sheba Saeed  
Institute of Business and Administration  
Representing 'Spiritual Begging' Through the Medium of Film

Salma Siddique  
Freie Universität Berlin  
Speak from your Grave: Sufi Aesthetic and Punjabi Cinema in Post-Partition Lahore

### **Discussant**

Amina Yaqin  
SOAS, University of London

Lunch  
1.15 pm-2.15 pm

Narrations: How Sufis Rehearse Relevance

2.15 pm-3 pm, Room 104, Suleiman Dawood School of Business

Tony Stewart  
Vanderbilt University