**GIGA IMES / LAU Research Platform Conference**

**The Politics of Reception: Syria’s Neighborhood as a Social Field**

at LAU Byblos, 1-3 November 2017

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**Opening Public Event – Wednesday, 1 November 2017**

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| 17:00 h| Welcome by President of LAU (tbc)  
Brief Intro by André Bank (GIGA)  
Moderation by Paul Tabar (LAU, Director Institute for Migration Studies) |
|        | **Keynote Lecture by Yezid Sayigh** (Senior Fellow, Carnegie Middle East Center, Beirut)  
- *Refugees or hosts? Institutions, politics, identity, and community and the role of violence in shaping them*  
Q&A with audience |
| 19:30h  | Dinner for conference participants |

**Conference Day 1 – Thursday, 2 November 2017**

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| 9:30-10:00h | **Welcome, Thematic Introduction and Rationale of the Conference**  
Marwan Rowayheb (LAU), Tamirace Fakhoury (LAU) & André Bank (GIGA) |
| 10:00-12:00h | **The Policy Field in Syria’s Neighborhood**  
Chair: Paul Tabar (LAU)  
Tamirace Fakhoury (LAU) – *Lebanon’s politics of reception in the context of Syrian conflict-induced displacement*  
André Bank (GIGA) – *The Politics of Reception in Jordan: State policy in the shadow of the Syrian conflict*  
Christiane Fröhlich (University of Hamburg) – *The long way from the margins to citizenship. The Syrian crisis in Turkey.* |
| 12:00-13:30h | Lunch Break |
### The Politics of Local Security in Syria’s Neighborhood

**Chair:** David Hummel (GIGA)

- **Estella Carpi** (University College London) – *Securing Lifeworlds in the Non-Protection Era. The case of Ebrine, Northern Lebanon*
- **Yazan Doughan** (GIGA) – *Life, Logistics, and the Paradoxes of Security in Northern Jordan*
- **Rana B. Khoury** (Northwestern University) – *Enacting Security through Aid: Turkey’s Engagement of Humanitarianism and Activism at the Syrian Border.*

**15:30-16h**  
**Coffee Break**

### Local Moral Economies in Syria’s Neighborhood

**Chair:** Marwan Rowayheb (LAU)

- **Paul Tabar** (LAU) – *Nation building in Lebanon and the question of Syrian Refugees*
- **Ann-Christin Wagner** (University of Edinburgh) – *Have we become refugees in our own country (again)? An ethnography of the impact of the Syrian refugee crisis on a mid-sized Jordanian town*
- **Evrím Görmüş** (MEF University Istanbul) – *Diaspora business: The Syrian businessmen case in Turkey.*

**19h**  
**Dinner for Conference Participants**

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**Conference day 2 – Friday, 3 November 2017**

### Beyond Syria’s Neighborhoods: Lessons from other conflict zones

**Chair:** André Bank (GIGA)

- **Houda Mzioudet** (Non-resident researcher with Carnegie / independent journalist, Tunis) – *Living in limbo: How the 2011 turmoil changed the lives of exiled Libyans in Tunisia and Tunisian migrants in Libya*
- **Stefanie Wodrig** (University of Kiel) – *The Most Refugee-Friendly Countries in the World? Insights from East Africa*
- **Sabine Kurtenbach** (GIGA) – *Latin America – borderlands, security dynamics, and migration as a safety valve.*

**12-13h**  
**Lunch Break**

**13-14h**  
**Final Discussion & Next Steps**  
Inputs by Tamirace Fakhoury (LAU) & André Bank (GIGA)

**Afternoon/evening**  
Tour of Old Town or Byblos / **Farewell Dinner** for conference participants
Participants

Dr. André Bank  GIGA Hamburg
Dr. Estella Carpi  University College, London/UK
Yazan Doughan  GIGA Hamburg
Prof. Tamirace Fakhoury  Lebanese American University
Dr. Christiane Fröhlich  University of Hamburg
Dr. Evrim Görmüş  MEF University Istanbul
David Hummel  GIGA Hamburg
Rana B. Khoury  Northwestern University, Evanston/USA
Dr. Sabine Kurtenbach  GIGA Hamburg
Houda Mzioudet  Carnegie/Tunis
Prof. Dr. Marwan Rowayheb  Lebanese American University
Dr. Yezid Sayigh  Carnegie Middle East Center/Beirut
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