



International Conference

No Country for Anthropologists?

Contemporary Ethnographic Research in the Middle East

1st – 3rd November 2018

Many parts of the contemporary Middle East are confronted with war, sectarianism, transnational interferences, uprisings, and a comeback of authoritarian regimes. This brings about difficulties for ethnographic research as a practice of knowledge production based on the immersion of researchers in local communities and the subsequent writing up, publishing, and circulation of texts. Bringing together anthropologists from Egypt, Europe, Iran, Lebanon, Pakistan, Turkey, the United States, and other countries, this conference debates the following questions: What are the obstacles to do ethnography in the contemporary Middle East? What do they teach us about the current role and the future possibilities of anthropology?

1st November

The Country of Anthropologists:
Creativity, Imagination, and Nation-State Power

Jessica Winegar (Northwestern University)

18:30 – 19:45

Völkerkundemuseum (Ethnological Museum of UZH)

2nd November

Conference

09:00 – 18:00

UZH Main Building (KO2-F-152)

3rd November

Conference

09:30 – 18:00

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