Sponsored Panels

Each year, the Syrian Studies Association sponsors up to three panels at the annual MESA meeting. Panelists can seek sponsorship from the SSA Board by contacting the Secretary-Treasurer before the February 15 deadline; eligible panels are selected by the Board on the basis of their contribution to the larger field of Syrian Studies.

Monday, 11/24/14 5:00pm
Organizer: Elyse Semerdjian, Whitman College
Chair: Bedross Der Matossian, University of Nebraska, Lincoln
Discussant: Elyse Semerdjian, Whitman College
Harout Ekmanian: Challenges of the Armenian Community in Syria During the Syrian Uprising
Ohannes Geukjian, American University of Beirut: The Syrian Armenian Diaspora and Conflict: Analyzing Patterns of Influence
Simon Payaslian, Boston University: The Armenian Community in Syria: The End of an Ethno-Religious Community?
Keith D. Watenpaugh, UC Davis: Between Armenian Refugee and Syrian Citizen: The Colonial Origins of Syria’s Contemporary Sectarianism

[P3773] The Mandate for Syria and Lebanon in Global Perspective
Sunday, 11/23/14 2:00pm
Organizer: Reem Bailony, UCLA
Chair/Discussant: Michael Provence, UC San Diego
Reem Bailony, UCLA: Lebanese Nationalism and the Syrian Revolt of 1925: South Lebanon and its Transnational Links to the Mahjar
Edward Falk, UC San Diego: Self-Orientalism and the Mahjar: Art and Politics in the Syro-Lebanese Diaspora
Idir Ouahes, University of Exeter: Internationalism & Welfarism at the Outset of the Syrian Mandate, 1920-1925
Benjamin Smuin, UC San Diego: Globalizing the Local: Speaking to the State and Acts of Citizenship in the Early Twentieth Century Middle East