**States, institutions and societies in Iran, Afghanistan, Central Asia and Pakistan since the 1970s**



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GRADUATECONFERENCE

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Commander Mortefa Safari (left), Khatam camp during the Iraq-Iran War, circa. 1982, Tasnim News Agency

Organised by the **Centre d’histoire du XIXe siècle (CRHXIX, Sorbonne University)** and the **Centre de recherches internationales (CERI, Sciences-Po)**, the graduate conference aims to rethink relations between states and societies in Iran, Afghanistan, Pakistan, and Central Asia since the 1970s. It adopts a comparative and trans-disciplinary approach (political sociology, religious and political history, anthropology, public policy), and pays attention to transnational trajectories and circulations of political phenomena and groups, and their relationship to the state.

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| Opening and presentation of the graduate conference | 8h30 – 9h |
| **Session 1 : States amid emerging public policy challenges** | **9h – 11h** |
| *Discussants :* ***Sophia Mahroug*** *(Sorbonne Université/University of Luxembourg) &* ***Guillaume Beaud*** *(Sciences Po)*  **Behnaz Khosravi** (*Institut national d’études démographiques*): “Enfance d’une société mouvante et mouvementée : le cas de l’Iran postrévolutionnaire”  **Misagh Javadpour** (*University of Amsterdam*): “Beyond the Center: Analyzing Rasht’s Revolutionary Experience in the Iranian Revolution of 1979  – Mobilization Patterns and Violence”  **Jad Tayah** (*Doha Institute*): “Post-Conflict ‘Re-Carbonization’: The case of Afghanistan’s energy and environmental policies under the Taliban”  **Jan Tomek** (*University of Oxford*) : “Le renouveau des relations entre l’Iran et l’Eurasie centrale: un aperçu des perspectives à Téhéran, Bakou et Tachkent” | |
| **Session 2 : Political and religious thoughts in the making of the state** | **11h – 13h** |
| *Discussant :* ***Stéphane Dudoignon*** *(École pratique des hautes études)*  **Salomé Michel** (*Université Sorbonne Nouvelle*): “Pahlavi regime’s forgotten elites: the role of former leftist opponents in crafting an official State ideology in 1970s Iran”  **Sophia Mahroug** (*Sorbonne Université/University of Luxembourg*): “The making of the historiography of the Sepâh: Historians of the Islamic Revolutionary Guards Corps (1980-1989)”  **Nima Behroozi** (*University of Melbourne*): “Propaganda after neoliberalism: late cultural production in Islamic Republic of Iran”  **Yasin Zare** (*University of Quebec in Montreal*): “Examining the sociopolitical influence of Waqf following the Iranian Revolution in 1979: a case study of Astan Quds Razavi” | |
| Lunch | 13h – 14h |



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| **Session 3 : States in the management of their territories, minorities, borders** | **14h – 16h** |
| *Discussant : To be confirmed*  **Mélanie Sadozaï** (*George Washington University*) : “Collision et coopération en milieu frontalier isolé : les réseaux de gouvernance informels à la frontière entre le Tadjikistan et l’Afghanistan dans le Badakhchan (1997-2021)”  **Altea Pericoli** (*University of Oxford*): “Negotiating aid access with Taliban: Muslim and secular NGOs’ humanitarian diplomacy before and after 2021”  **Saeed Shafiei** (*Sciences Po Lyon*): “L’État et les minorités ethniques en Iran: trois formes de la domination ethnique”  **Muntasar Siam** (*Government College, Lahore*): “Ethnic conflicts and strategies for integration in Pakistan: implications for policy” | |
| **Session 4 : Institutions and para-institutions in the making of state policies** | **16h – 18h** |
| *Discussant :* ***Amélie Blom*** *(Sciences Po Lyon)*  **Sophie Russo** (*Sciences Po*) : “Vernaculariser la conservation forestière : les acteurs du commerce de bois face aux politiques publiques d’afforestation au Pakistan”  **Wendy Ramadan** (*Institut de recherche stratégique de l’École militaire*) : “La fabrique du politique à travers l’émergence des think tanks en République islamique d’Iran”  **Nowmay Opalinski** (*Université Paris 8*) : “The moving lines of the state control over the Internet in Pakistan : a political geography perspective”  **Guillaume Beaud** (*Sciences Po*): “Is bureaucratic autonomy connected to civil servants’ family and professional connections within the state: the case of Pakistan’s prefectural and foreign services”  **Eva Zahiri** (*École Pratique des Hautes Études, Sciences Po*) : “Gouvernement clérical et systématisation du droit public islamique en Iran” | |
| Conclusions | 18h – 18h15 |
| Refreshments and drinks | 18h15 |
| Dinner | 19h30 |

