

# LABORS OF LOVE, TRIALS OF FRIENDSHIP

## Challenges of the Modern Social Relation

# التحديات الاجتماعية لغزوات العلاقات

Orient-Institut Beirut (OIB)  
Center for Arab and Middle  
Eastern Studies (CAMES)

Conference Dates:

**SEPTEMBER 29**

AUB – IFI 4th floor Seminar room  
6:00 pm – 07:15 pm

**SEPTEMBER 30**

OIB / 10:00 am – 4:00 pm

**OCTOBER 1**

AUB – IFI 4th floor Seminar room  
10:00 am – 3:00 pm

## THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 29 (AUB - IFI, 4th floor)

5.00-5.20	Registration	
5.20-5.30	Greeting	<b>Prof. Sari Hanafi</b> (American University of Beirut)
5.30-6.00	Introduction	<b>Prof. Birgit Schaebler</b> (OIB, AUB, Erfurt University)
6.00-7.15	Keynote	<b>Prof. Hartmut Rosa</b> (Max Weber Center, Erfurt University)
		<b>Love and Friendship from the Perspective of Resonance Theory</b>
8-00	Dinner	

## FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 30 (OIB)

10:00-10:30	<b>Prof. Birgit Schaebler</b> (OIB, AUB, Erfurt University) Challenges of the Modern Social Relation -by Example of Love and Friendship- and by Discipline
	<b>Psychoanalysis</b>
10:30-11.30	<b>Prof. Amanda Holmes</b> (University of Applied Arts Vienna) The Trouble with "Relation": A Reading of Lacan's Seminar IV "The Object Relation"
	<b>History</b>
11.30-12.30	<b>Prof. G. Arunima</b> (Director, The Kerala Council for Historical Research) Political Pasts, Political Futures: Situating the Term Comrade within a Lexicon of Political Solidarities
12.30-1.00	Coffee Break
	<b>Political Science/International Relations</b>
1.00-2.00	<b>Prof. Oleg Kharkhordin</b> (European University at St Petersburg) Interpersonal Friendship and Political Friendship: Can One Inform Another? Lessons from the Russian Past and Present
2.00-3.00	Lunch Break
	<b>Theology</b>
3.00-4.00	<b>Prof. Nayla Tabbara</b> (Director Adyan Foundation, Université Saint Joseph) Towards a Theology of Friendship Between Religions
6.30	Reception, Dinner, Farewell

## SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1 (AUB - IFI, 4th floor)

	<b>Sociology II</b>
10.00-11.00	<b>Prof. Gennaro Iorio</b> (University of Salerno) <b>Prof. Silvia Cataldi</b> (Sapienza University of Rome) Different and Together: The Potential Critique of Social Love
11.00- 11.30	Coffee Break
	<b>European Philosophy</b>
11.30-12.30	<b>Emily Laurent-Monaghan</b> (Newcastle University) Was Descartes Anxious (About Love)?
12.30-1.30	Lunch Break
	<b>Islamic Philosophy</b>
1.30- 2.30	<b>Hussein Ibrahim</b> (Ludwig-Maximilians-University, Munich) Philosophy of Love and Friendship in Islam: a Contemporary Reading of Classical Accounts
2.30- 3.00	Closing Remarks
6:30	Dinner