

Iranology Foundation

(1st Announcement)

Series of conferences on The History of Iranology and its achievements up to the present

Iran/ Tehran 2003-2004

In view of the fact that being informed of researches already conducted in the field of Iranology as well as the knowledgeable evaluation and critique of such studies would form a firm foundation for the continuation of study and research in Iranian Studies, the Iranology Foundation has placed a series of conferences entitled, "A survey of the History of Iranology and its achievements up to the present" in its agenda for the years 2003-2004. These conferences will conduct researches and will focus on the literature, achievements and the present state of Iranian Studies in six separate regions as follows and in any of the sixteen topics:

Iranian regions and other countries

1. Iran and the Subcontinent
2. Iran and Central Asia, the Caucasus , Afghanistan, Turkey, Russia and Eastern Europe
3. Iran and other European countries (Northern, Western, Central and Southern Europe)
4. Iran and Arab countries and Africa
5. Iran and the Far East (especially including China, Japan, Indonesia and Malaysia) and Oceania
6. Iran and Canada, North, Central and South America

The History, Achievements and the Present State of Iranian Studies in:

- Schools of thought and the most important topics and domains of research in the past and at present, and their influence on research in other areas
- The introduction of important books, articles, journals and institutions of Iranology
- The critique of studies in Iranology, past and present.
- Methods of research: descriptive, analytic, historical and compilation
- Prospective programs

Fields and Topics

1. Persian Literature (ancient, modern, contemporary, children's)
2. Iran's Economy
3. Iran's Archaeology
4. The History of Science in Iran
5. History, Historical Geography and Local History in Iran
6. Education and Training in Iran
7. Society and Social Relations in Iran
8. Iranian Law (Public and Private)
9. Political and International Relations in Iran
10. Iranian Languages and Linguistics
11. The People's Culture and Anthropology in Iran
12. Philosophy and the Mysticism (Gnosticism) in Iran
13. Study of Iranian Books and Manuscripts
14. Islamic Studies and Scholars in Iran
15. Persian Art
16. The Comprehensive Study of the Works and Lives of Famous Iranologists

The Scientific Council of Conferences

The scientific council of this series of conferences comprises analysts and prominent researchers in each field or any of the sixteen topics mentioned above. This council will evaluate papers received by the secretariat.

The jury panel will give priority to papers that contain reports and genuine researches conducted in any of the relevant fields or to that have not been presented to forums at national or international conferences.

The Official Language of the Conferences

The official language of conferences is Persian. However, Iranologists and researchers who are unable to present their papers in Persian can present their papers in Arabic, English, French, German or Russian.

Time Schedule in which Papers can be presented

Those who wish to present to the conferences are kindly requested to send one copy of their abstract to the secretariat within the times included in the timetable. The abstracts must be written clearly and accurately in no more than two A4 pages. The abstract should include the goal, the method of research, and the highlights of the topics under consideration along with the conclusion, which the author predicts to prove or disprove. Upon receipt of the abstracts, the secretariat will inform the authors of the results of its evaluation. The deadline for presenting original papers for each geographic region is shown in the timetable.

It is worthy to mention that each conference of the six regions will be comprised of the fields and topics whose papers have been received by the secretariat by the deadline, and if the number of accepted papers is sufficient for forming a group.

Notable points

- The authors are requested to write their first names, surnames, titles and positions
- The researcher must specify the relevant region and the scientific topic to which the paper belongs.
- The papers must be typed and insofar as possible faxed or e-mailed to the office of the secretariat in due times.

- Considering certain limitations in facilities, authors who send their papers and abstracts at least 15 days prior to the deadline will be given priority.
- Those who send their abstracts before the deadline will receive the results of their evaluation proportionally sooner. Papers received after the deadline will not be considered.

	Region	Deadline for Receiving Abstracts	Announcement of Abstract Results	Deadline for Receiving Papers	Conference Held
1	Iran and the Subcontinent	Feb. 20, 2003	May 20, 2003	Aug. 20, 2003	Autumn
2	Iran and Central Asia, Afghanistan, the Caucasus, Turkey, Russia and Eastern Europe	Feb. 20, 2003	May 20, 2003	Aug. 20, 2003	Winter 2003
3	Iran and Northern, Central, Western and Southern Europe	July 20, 2003	Sep. 20, 2003	Jan. 20, 2004	Spring 2004
4	Iran and Arab countries and Africa	Jan. 20, 2004	April 20, 2004	June 20, 2004	Summer 2004
5	Iran and the Far East (esp. China, Japan, Malaysia, Indonesia) and Oceania	March 20, 2004	June 20, 2004	Sep. 20, 2004	Autumn 2004
6	Iran and Canada, Northern, Central and South America	June 20, 2004	Sep. 20, 2004	Dec. 20, 2004	Winter 2004

Address of the Secretariat of Iranology Foundation

No. 24/1 Shirkoh St.,
 Bagh Ferdows, Shahid Fallahi St.
 (Za'feranieh) Vali-Asr Ave,
 Tehran, Iran
 Telephone: ++9821 2417124-6
 Fax: ++9821 2417300
 E-mail: irfo@iranologyfo.or.ir
 URL: www.iranologyfo.net

Call for Paper

Institute for Political & International Studies (IPIS)

10th International Seminar on Central Asia and the Caucasus: Prospects
of Security and Cooperation in Central Asia and the Caucasus: Iran,
Regional Countries and the Trans-Regional Powers

January 20-21, 2003

The Institute for Political and International Studies affiliated to the Iranian Ministry of Foreign Affairs intends to hold its tenth annual seminar on Central Asia and the Caucasus with the objective of evaluating the main developments that have unfolded in the region.

Events such as the September 11th attacks, the fall of the Taliban, relative stability of Afghanistan, and other developments can impact the security, political stability, economy, and the future of the region. The security of and cooperation between the regional countries as the underlying factors of development and stability are among the issues to be discussed and debated by which solutions and guidelines may be reached for enhancement of cooperation in this region.

IPIS invites interested experts and observers of regional issues to contribute to this event by presenting their article(s) on any of the following topics:

1. Political and Security Developments in Central Asia and the Caucasus,
2. Evaluating Factors of Threat and Crisis in the Region,
3. Expansion of Political, Economic and Cultural Cooperation as Prerequisite to Regional Peace and Stability,

4. The Role of International Organizations and Regional Arrangements in the Security of Central Asia and the Caucasus,
5. The Role of the Islamic Republic of Iran in the Security of Central Asia and the Caucasus.

Those interested in presenting their papers can submit a one-page abstract along with their academic C.V. to the seminar's secretariat by December 6, 2002 on the following topics. In order to obtain additional information, please write to:

Tehran, Bahonar Avenue,
Aghaie Street, P.O. Box # 19395/1793
Tel: (+98-21) 2802671-5 Fax: (+98-21) 2802649
E-mail: centralasiaconference@dre-mfa.gov.ir
IPIS Website Address: <http://www.dre-mfa.gov.ir>

Call for Paper

Institute for Political & International Studies (IPIS)

The 13th International Conference on Persian Gulf:
“Persian Gulf in the Light of Global Changes and Regional
Developments”
March 4-5, 2003

The September 11th event and its aftermath, i.e. the U.S. attack against Afghanistan and now the Iraq crisis all have caused the Persian Gulf to witness once more the increase of foreign military presence. The U.S. unilateral approaches and its defiance of international norms, along with self-interested attitudes towards the Middle East crisis and also the possible military attack of U.S. against Iraq, have plunged the region into volatility and ambiguity.

Bearing in mind the current situation, the Center for Persian Gulf and Middle East Studies of the Institute for Political & International Studies (IPIS), has focused the themes of its 13th International Persian Gulf Conference to the examination of the impacts of global changes and regional developments in this sensitive region. The exchange of views among intellectuals, experts and researchers of the region as well as scholars from all over the world will contribute constructively to mate-

realize the idea of dialogue and promotion of peace and stability in the region. The main topics and themes of the conference are:

A. Challenges of International Politics

- New Global Approaches and their Impacts on Persian Gulf Region;
- The Future of U.S. expansionism in Persian Gulf and Neighboring Areas;
- Comparative Evaluation of Unilateralism and Multilateralism in Persian Gulf;
- Comparative Study of the Impacts of Anti Terrorism Campaign and Coalition for Peace in Persian Gulf;
- Major Powers Approaches (U.S., Europe, Russia, China) toward the Persian Gulf;
- Competition and Cooperation of U.S. and Europe in Persian Gulf;

B. Regional Developments

- Iraq Crisis and its Consequences on Persian Gulf Security;
- U.S. Plans on Iraq;
- Global Powers Policies on Future of Iraq;
- The Role of Iraq Oil in Global and Regional Balances;
- The latest Developments in U.S.-Persian Gulf Cooperation Council Relations and its Regional Consequences;
- Perspective of Domestic Political, Economic and Social Developments in the Persian Gulf Region Countries;

C. Security Discourse: Peace and Stability Approaches

- Dialogue among Civilizations vs. Clash of Civilizations, Action and Reaction in Persian Gulf Region;
- Impacts of Détente and Confidence Building Measures of the Islamic Republic of Iran on Persian Gulf;
- Unilateral and Collective Approaches of Persian Gulf Countries to the Peace and Security in the Region;

- Practical Approaches (Economic, Political, Cultural and Social) for Developments and Strengthening of Regional Peace, Stability and Security;
- Future of Persian Gulf Cooperation Council.

Those interested in presenting their papers can submit a one-page abstract along with their academic C.V. to the conference secretariat by December 6, 2002 on any of the foregoing topics. In order to obtain additional information, please call or write to the following address:

Tehran, Bahonar Avenue,
Aghaie Street, P.O. Box # 19395/1793
Tel: (+98-21) 2802671-5 Fax: (+98-21) 2802649
E-mail: PersianGulf-conference@dre-mgfa.gov.ir
IPIS Website Address: <http://www.dre-mfa.gov.ir>