

*The Fourth LIVIT Conference:  
Legitimate and Illegitimate Violence in  
Modern Islamic Thought  
2nd-3rd September 2013  
Institute of Arab and Islamic Studies  
University of Exeter*

**Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2013**

Conference Participants arrive

*19.30 Informal Opening Meal*

**Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2013**

09.30 Opening Remarks: Sarah Elibiary and Robert Gleave

10.00 Opening Lecture

Bruce Lawrence (Duke University)

"The Colonial Boundary between Religion and Ideology: A Minority  
Report on Muslim Violence"

*11.30 Tea/Coffee*

12.00 PANEL 1: Colonial Legacy and Violence

12.00 William Gallois (University of Exeter)

"Jihad in Algeria, 1830-47"

12.30 Mustafa Baig (University of Exeter)

"Resistance to the British Raj: Imam Ahmad Raza Khan's legal and  
political perspective."

*13.00 Lunch*

14.15 PANEL 2: Discourses of Legitimacy and Illegitimacy

14.15 Farhad Khosrokhavar (École des hautes études en sciences  
sociales, Paris)

"How Islamic radicals perceive legitimate and illegitimate violence"

14.45 Jens Kutschner (Friedrich Alexander University Erlangen-  
Nuremberg)

"Peaceful Protest and Islamic Legitimacy in Contemporary Fatwas"

*15.15 Tea/Lunch*

15.45 PANEL 3: AQ, AQAP and Jihadi Discourse

15.45 David Cook (Rice University, Houston)

"God, Authority, Jihad"

16.15 Saud Al-Sarhan (Senior Fellow, King Faisal Center for Research and Islamic Studies)

"The Hūthīs and al-Qā'ida in Yemen: A Comparative Analysis on Justification for Violence against the state."

16.45 Joas Wagemakers (Radboud University Nijmegen)

"Al-Qā'ida's Post-Arab Spring Jihad: Confirmation or Re-Evaluation?"

17.15 *Close*

19.30 *Conference Dinner*

**Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2013**

09.30 PANEL 4: Law, Morality and Violence

0930 Lecture: Ruud Peters (Amsterdam University)

"Sharia: law, morals and the regulation of violence"

10.15 Robert Gleave (University of Exeter)

"Language, Violence and *Uṣūl al-fiqh*: Modern Salafī and Shī'ī argumentation"

10.45 Jonathan Brown (Georgetown University)

"Is a Text Irretrievably Violent? The Case of Quran 4:34"

11.15 *Tea/Coffee*

PANEL 5: Jihād Strategy and Legitimate Violence

11.45 Beverly Milton-Edwards (Queen's University Belfast)

"Managing Violent Conflict: *Hudna* and *Tahdiya*, beyond a strategic pause"

12.15 Atef Alshaer (School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London)

"The Portrayal of an Enemy: Violence in the thought of two leaders from the movements of Hizbullah and Hamas, Naim al-Qasim and Mushir al-Masri."

12.45 *Lunch*

13.45 PANEL 6: Jihad in Theological Context

13.45 Daniel Lav (Hebrew University of Jerusalem)

"*bu'ithtu bi'l-sayf*. Jihad, Monolatry, and Theonomy in Modern Salafism"

14.15 Ella Landau-Tasseron (Hebrew University of Jerusalem)

“Jihād and just war categories”

*14.45 Tea/Coffee*

15.15 PANEL 7: Violent Discourse in Islamist Movements

15.15 Dawood Hamzah Adesola (School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London)

“Legitimacy or Illegitimacy of Violence: Boko Haram in the Context of Nigeria and the International Order”

15.45 Sarah Elibiary (University of Exeter)

“Violence and Political Mobilisation in the Discourse of Muqtadā al-Şadr”

16.15 Jan-Peter Hartung (School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London)

“The Taliban Legal Discourse on Violence”

*16.45 Closing Remarks (Robert Gleave)*

*19.30 Closing Dinner*

**Wednesday 4th September 2013**

AM: Conference participants depart