# Islam & the Biotechnologies of Human Life

9:00am Welcome and Introduction
*Marcia C. Inhorn, Yale University*
*Soraya Tremayne, University of Oxford*

**Panel I: The Islamic Bioethics of Assisted Reproductive Technology**

9:30am Marriage, Fornication, and Procreation in Early Islamic Legal Discussions
*Thomas Eich, Tübingen University*

Examining Islamic Jurisprudence (*Fiqh*) on Assisted Reproduction: Establishing Limits to Avoid Symbolic Disorders
*Sandra Houot, Catholic University of Lyon*

Controversies in Islamic Evaluation of Assisted Reproductive Technologies: Different Perspectives or Legal Dilemma?
*Farouk Mahmoud, Hammersmith-Imperial Hospital*

Discussants:
*Frank Griffel & Zareena Grewal; Yale University*

**Panel II: The Iranian ART Revolution**

11:20am More than *Fatwas*: Islamic Bioethics in Iranian Fertility Clinics
*Robert Tappan, University of Virginia*

Gestational Surrogacy in Iran
*Shirin Garmaroudi Naef, Tübingen University*

Beyond the Petri Dish: Aspects of Hidden Lives of 'Donor Parents'
*Soraya Tremayne, University of Oxford*

Human Embryonic Stem Cell Research in Iran: The Significance of the Islamic Context
*Mansooreh Saniei, King's College*

Discussants:
*Abbas Amanat & Kaveh Khoshnood; Yale University*

**Panel III: ARTs and Muslim Practice**

3:00pm Islamic Bioethics and Religious Politics in Lebanon
*Morgan Clarke, University of Cambridge*

Third-Party Reproductive Assistance around the Mediterranean: Comparing Catholic Italy, Sunni Egypt, and Multisectarian Lebanon
*Marcia C. Inhorn & Pasquale Patrizio, Yale University with Gamal Serour, Al Azhar University*

Legislation, Practice, and Moral Arbitration: Secularism and the Role of Islam in Turkish ARTs
*Zeynep Gurtin-Broadbent, Cambridge University*

Are You Ever Too Old to Reproduce? The Ethics of Reproductive Freedom in Muslim India and the United States
*Arthur Caplan, University of Pennsylvania*

Discussants:
*Daphna Birenbaum-Carmeli, University of Haifa*
*Sherine Hamdy, Brown University*

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