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The **Transmission and Reception of the** Qur'an in Light of Recent Scholarship

Saturday, December 7, 2019 8:30am - 5:30pm **Tsai Auditorium, CGIS South 1730 Cambridge Street** Cambridge, MA

## Program

8:30-9:00am Breakfast

9:00-9:15am Welcome

9:15-11:45am Panel 1

Aḥruf, Clausules and Variations François Déroche

The Realm of the Qur'ān **Walid Saleh** 

An Apocryphal Hadith from the Mid-First Century AH (AD 650-693) Illuminates the Kūfan Qurrā', Vindicating the Historical Sources **Behnam Sadeghi** 

### 11:45am-1:00pm Lunch\*

(Location: CGIS North across the street, Fisher Commons)

### 1:00-3:30pm Panel 2

'There is No Town That We Are Not Going to Destroy Before the Day of Resurrection': On Human Rebelliousness in the Qur'ān **Gabriel Reynolds** 

\*Lunch is halal from Pita Cambridge

(Continued) Early Qur'ānic Manuscripts in a Digital Horizon:Reconsidering Diacritic Metamarkup, and Other Remarks **Alba Fedeli** 

Some Parallels Between the Transmission of the Qur'ān and the Transmission of the Hebrew Bible **Geoffrey Khan** 

#### 3:30-3:50pm Coffee Break

3:50-5:30pm Panel 3

The Qur'ānic Uncanon Intisar Rabb

Arabic, Qur'ān and Poetry Shady Nasser

### 5:30pm Closing Remarks

Please be mindful that there is another event taking place in the concourse outside the Tsai Auditorium

Restrooms are to the left when you exit the auditorium on the other side of the Belfer Case Study Room

Room S001 is reserved as a prayer room

## Speakers

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