First Circular

The 10th Conference of AIDA
(Association Internationale de Dialectologie Arabe)

Doha, Qatar, 2013
The 10th Conference of the
International Arabic Dialectology Association
(AIDA)
Qatar University, Doha, Qatar
10 - 14 November 2013

• **Date:** 10 – 14 November 2013
• **Venue:** Qatar University, Doha
• **Conference fee:** $170; for all participants (Qatar University will provide two coffee breaks and lunch daily during the course of the conference. Accommodation offers and discounts will be available for participants. Transportation from accommodation to the venue of the conference will be arranged). The registration fee includes the AIDA membership fee of € 15.

• **Registration:** Please confirm your participation and send the title of your paper as soon as possible, but not later than 30 April 2013.

• **Scholarship for young scholars:**
  - Qatar University will provide free lodging for 25 young scholars selected by the executive board of AIDA.
  - In addition, AIDA will offer financial support for travel/conference fee. Such financial travel support is available for a maximum of 25 young scholars (with a maximum of 200 € per person) who fulfill the standards and eligibility criteria of AIDA.

Young scholars who are interested in applying for the scholarships (free lodging and/or travel/conference fee support) should submit their applications (including abstracts and affiliations) to AIDA directly via e-mail: mavicen@unizar.es or stephan.prochazka@univie.ac.at or rudolf_de_jong@hotmail.com.
Awarding lodging and/or travel/conference fee support will be on the basis of eligibility criteria set by AIDA*, and on ‘first come first serve’ basis. Requests for support submitted to AIDA later than 30 April 2013 will not be considered.

*For the criteria see http://www.aida.or.at/admin/membership.aspx

Theme

- Papers on all fields of Arabic dialectology are welcome. Data-oriented approaches are preferred over theory-driven approaches.

Background and objectives

AIDA was founded in 1993 in Paris to encourage and promote the study of Arabic dialects. Today AIDA is the leading international association in this field of research and has become a platform for scholars from all over the world who are interested in any aspect of Arabic dialectology: Description of hitherto unknown varieties, dialectal geography, specific aspects of phonology, morphology and syntax, the lexicon of Arabic dialects, comparative and diachronic studies, sociolinguistics, teaching of Arabic dialects etc.

The languages of the conference will be:

Arabic, English, and French.

Abstracts

Abstracts of max. 250 words should be submitted electronically to the International Secretary of AIDA via email aida10.orientalistik@univie.ac.at

The deadline for submission of abstracts is 30 April 2013.
Programme Committee

The Programme Committee consists of the following members:

Dr. Aze-eddine Bouchikhi (Chair, Qatar University), Dr. Ali AlKubaisi (Member, Qatar University), Dr. Rizwan Ahmad (Member, Qatar University), Dr. Hafid Ismaili (Member, Qatar University), Dr. Tariq Khwaileh (Member, Qatar University), and Ms. Grace Hourani (Qatar University).

The executive board of AlIDA: Ángeles Vicente (Zaragoza), Rudolf de Jong (Cairo), Stephan Procházka (Vienna).

Important notices

You are kindly requested to send:

- Your title and abstract to: aida10.orientalistik@univie.ac.at
- Correspondence regarding all practical matters to: aida2013@qu.edu.qa

A second circular, which will also include information on accommodation, will be sent to all who have responded to the first circular. This first and all following circulars can be found on the webpage of Qatar University:

www.qu.edu.qa

With cordial greetings and looking forward to seeing you in Doha,

The Organizing Committee

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