

# Russian-Arab Worlds

## From Intrepid Individuals to Transregional History

30 June 2023  
3:00 pm

Venue:  
Forum Transregionale Studien  
Wallotstraße 14  
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The event will be followed by a reception.

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## Book Launch & Discussion

The roots of Arab countries' current Russian entanglements reach deep into the Soviet and even tsarist periods. This book launch and discussion will celebrate and explore the new anthology "**Russian-Arab Worlds: A Documentary History**" (edited by Eileen Kane, Masha Kirasirova and Margaret Litvin) which points to a new way of teaching and studying Russia, its borderlands and neighbors in the Caucasus and Central Asia, and its Arabic-speaking interlocutors.

Speakers include:

**Masha Kirasirova** (NYU-Abu Dhabi)  
**Margaret Litvin** (Boston U / EUME Fellow 2017/18)  
**Roy Bar Sadeh** (Global Intellectual History Graduate School, Berlin)  
**Sana Tannoury-Karam** (LAU / EUME Fellow 2020-23)

With special readings by:

**Khalil Alrez**, novelist and translator, will read from his novel *Al-Hayy al-Rusi* (The Russian Quarter, 2019).  
**Alexandra Chreiteh** (Tufts U / EUME Fellow 2022/23), author of *Da'iman Coca Cola* (Always Coca-Cola, 2009) and *'Ali wa-ummuhu al-Rusiyah* (Ali and His Russian Mother, 2010), will read passages from her new novel.