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# MECAM Workshop

24-25 June 2025

Venue:

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## Keynote Lecture

24 June, 4:30-5:30 PM

## Conversation

25 June, 2:00-3:30 PM

(in Arabic)

# Cities in the Arab Imagination: Fiction, Reality and Futurescapes

Convened by Teresa **Pepe** (University of Oslo / MECAM Fellow 2021), organized by Diana **Abbani** (MECAM / Forum Transregionale Studien).

With: Haikel **Al-Hazgui** (Writer), Vanessa **Barisch** (Philipps-Universität Marburg), Anis **Ben Amor** (University of Tunis), Hager **Ben Driss** (University of Tunis), Faten **Bouchrara** (MECAM / University of La Manouba), Rasha **Chatta** (Freie Universität Berlin / MECAM Fellow 2021), Nermin **Elsherif** (Utrecht University), Amel **Guizani** (MECAM Director / University of Tunis), Rached **Khalifa** (University of Tunis El Manar), Cyrine **Kortas** (MECAM Fellow / University of Gabes), Douja **Mamelouk** (South Mediterranean University, Tunis), Samira **Mechri** (University of Tunis El Manar), Hanan **Natour** (Freie Universität Berlin / EUME Fellow 2025-27), Rim **Triki** (University of Tunis El Manar).

## Migrations and Symbolic Reconstructions: Testour and the Making of a Morisco Imaginary

Samia **Kassab-Charfi** (University of Tunis)

## Translating the City: Language, Belonging, and Representations of Urban Space in Arabic Literature

Messaouda **Ben Boubaker** (Writer) and Walid **Soliman** (Writer) in conversation with Moncef **Ben Abdeljelil** (Beit Al-Hikma)



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