the letter bā'

Reflecting the ideas of Ibn 'Arabi and wahdat alwujūd

Muhyi al-din Ibn 'Arabi may be the most influential writer of Sufism. His influence is to be detected all around the world. The workshop "the letter bā" is an attempt to establish the study of his ideas and the ideas and others referring to him in the German-speaking world (although the workshop is held in English this time), thus, giving an impact for future studies.



Beyond presentations: Presenting interesting lectures is only one aspect of this endeavor. We will discuss the possibilities of establishing an open access-journal, a video channel, and a society for the study of Sufism in the German-speaking world.

Perspectives

Leaving aside plans for future workshops, conferences, and lectures, other forms of organizing studies of the ideas of Ibn 'Arabi and other Sufis may be the creation of reading groups and other related events.

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Location: Seminarraum Arabica, Institut für Orientalistik, Universität Wien Date: June 3, 2023 Time: 11am – we'll see

Lectures

Keynote

11:00 Pablo Beneito Arias (University of Murcia): Arithmosophy in Ibn Arabi's writing: symbolic dimensions in a poem on the letter bâ'

12:00-12:30 Katrin J. Brezansky-Güneş (safinah.at): The Journey of Love as a Path of Cognition: Approaching an epistemology of Love in Ibn Arabi's Thought (and beyond) 12:30-13:00 Rüdiger Lohlker (University of Vienna): Diagrammatics of Ibn 'Arabi: looking into the Commentary of al-Amoli

13:00-14:00 Lunch break

14:00-14:15 Denis Mete (University of Vienna): Musical intermezzo 14:30-15:00 Miguel Rius (University of Vienna): Ramon Llull as a Mystic of the Andalusian Mu'tabirun Tradition

Coffee Break

15:15-15.45 Muharrem Jahja (University of Vienna): The degrees of Oneness according to Ibn Arabi

15:45-16:00 Denis Mete (University of Vienna): Musical intermezzo 16:00-16:30 Nikola Pantić (Central European University, Vienna): (Dis)unity of Being: Ibn 'Arabi, Theology, and Politics in the Ottoman 17th and 18th Centuries 17:00 Final discussion



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