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**“Recentering the Humanities: the Arab Regional Forum on Humanities”**  
**(Webinar: 6-7 April 2021)**  
**Starting at 13h00 Beirut time/ 12h00 Paris time**

Agenda

Tuesday, April 6 / Day 1		
13:00 - 14:00 (Beirut time)	<p><b>Opening session</b></p> <p><u>Chair</u></p> <p>Ms Costanza Farina, Director, UNESCO Beirut</p>	<p><b>Welcome &amp; Introductory remarks by:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ms Gabriela Ramos, Assistant Director General for Social and Human Sciences Sector, UNESCO</li> <li>Dr. Seteney Shami, Director General, Arab Council for the Social Sciences (ACSS)</li> <li>Dr. Darina Saliba, Director, International Center on Human Sciences (CISH)</li> </ul> <p><u>Keynote “Humanities of Tomorrow”</u></p> <p>H.E.Dr. Adama Samassékou, Former President of the International Council for Philosophy and Human Sciences (CIPSH) &amp; President of World Humanities Conference (WHC)</p>
14:00 - 15:30	<p><b>Session 1 - Critical Humanities in the Arab Region: Examples and Directions</b></p> <p><u>Chair</u></p> <p>Dr. Seteney Shami, ACSS (10 min) Recommendations of the 2017 WHC and possibilities in the Arab Region</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dr. Hoda Elsadda, Women and Memory Forum, Cairo University on “Gendering the Archive, The Power in the Story” (15 min)</li> <li>Ms. Muneira Hoballah, University of California, Irvine on “Writing Humanities” (15 min)</li> <li>Ms. Reem Joudi, Ms. Hana Shaltout, Ms. Tamara Sleiman, ACSS on “The Critical Humanities: Organizations and Trends”(15 min)</li> </ul> <p>Discussion</p>
15:30 – 16:00	Break	
16 :00- 17 :30	<p><b>Session 2 – Teaching Humanities in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century</b></p> <p><u>Chair</u></p> <p>H.E.Dr. Mary Kawar,</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dr. Saeed al Masry on “Humanities education at the tertiary level in Egypt” (15 min)</li> <li>Mr. Bassam Bou Ghoche, Center for Educational Research and Development (CERD) on “Philosophy Teaching, Elementary level in Lebanon” (15 min)</li> <li>Dr. Amal El Fallah, Sorbonne University on “Artificial</li> </ul>



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	Former Minister of Planning & International Cooperation (Jordan)	<p>Intelligence (AI) and Humanities” (15min)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dr. Sari Hanafi, American University of Beirut on “Can religion be part of the humanities?”(15min)</li> </ul> <p>Discussion</p>
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### Wednesday, April 7 / Day 2

13:00- 14:30	<p><b>Session 3 –Knowledge for Inclusion</b></p> <p><u>Chair</u></p> <p>Dr. John Crowley, Chief of Section for Research, Policy &amp; Foresight, SHS, UNESCO (10min)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mr. Mohamed El Agati, Arab Forum for Alternatives (15min)</li> <li>• Mr Ziad Abdel Samad, Arab NGOs Network for Development (15min)</li> <li>• Ms. Lina Abou Habib, American University of Beirut (15min)</li> <li>• Dr. Fadia Kiwan, Arab Women Organization (15min)</li> </ul> <p>Discussion</p>
14:30- 15: 00	Break	
15:00- 16 :30	<p><b>Session 4 – Humanities beyond Borders</b></p> <p><u>Chair</u></p> <p>H.E.Ms. Marcia Covarrubias, Ambassador (10min)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dr. Darina Saliba, International Center for Human Sciences (CISH) (15min)</li> <li>• Dr. Godwin Murunga, Council for the Development of Social Science Research in Africa (CODESRIA) (15min)</li> <li>• Dr. Chongsuh Kim, Seoul National University Korea (15min)</li> </ul> <p>Discussion</p>
16:30-17:00	<p><b>Closing Session</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dr. Rosi Braidotti, European Humanities Conference, (20min)</li> <li>• Dr. Seiko Sugita, UNESCO Beirut (3min)</li> <li>• Dr. Seteney Shami, ACSS (3min)</li> <li>• Dr. Darina Saliba, CISH (3min)</li> </ul>