

ABS RELIGIOUS STUDIES SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP, BI-ANNUAL SEMINAR

NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE, December 10-12, 2004

PROGRAMME

FRIDAY, December 10th

Session I

7.30 pm Introduction

8.00 pm Necati Alkan,

- **'Midhat Pasha and 'Abdu'l-Bahā in 'Akkā : The Historical Background of the ' Tablet of the Land of Bā'.'**

9.00 pm Nika Saeedi,

- **'The Spread and Influence of the Bahā'ī Faith in Ardestan.'**

SATURDAY, December 11th

Session II

9:30-10:30 Oliver Scharbrodt,

- **'Between Activism and Quietism: The political culture of the Bahā'ī community during the Constitutionalist Revolution of 1906'.**

10:30-11:00 BREAK

11:00-12:00 Erfan Sabeti,

- **'Postmodernism: Some Bahā'ī Observations'.**

12:00-1:00 Moojan Momen

- **'The Bahā'ī Schools of Iran'**

1:00-3:00 LUNCH

Session III

3:00-4:00 Stephen Lambden,

- **'The Commentary of Sayyid Kāzīm Rashfī upon the Graphical Form of the Mightiest Name of God'**

4:00-5:00 Seena Fazel,

- **'Problems and Opportunities for Baha'i Studies.'**

5:30-6:30 Roger Prentice

- **'The Still Quiet Centre and Its Disturbances: some immanent and transcendental elements in Bahā'ī theology relevant to a model of Bahā'ī-inspired education.'**

■ SUNDAY December 12th

Session IV

9:30-10:30 Moojan Momen,

- **'The Bahā'ī Community of Kāshān.'**

10:30-11:00 Betsy Omidvaran,

- **'Some Aspects 'Abdu'l-Bahā's Contacts with Egypt.'**

11:30-12:30 Stephen Lambden,

- **`Bahā'-Allāh the Tetragrammaton: Some Aspects of Judaism and the Bahāī Faith. '**

Session V

12:30-2:30 LUNCH

2:30-4:00 Academic Bahāī Studies , a review of its present state in various countries, the Internet , Academic Bahāī Studies and the Baha'i community, Conference reports, Interchanges of information ...

