

ABS RELIGIOUS STUDIES SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP, BI-ANNUAL SEMINAR, NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE, FEBRUARY 9-11, 2007.

■ PROGRAMME

■ FRIDAY, February 9th

Session I

7.30 pm

Introduction and General Consultation . The world of Academe and Bahā'ī Academic scholarship...

3:00-4:00

Wendy Momen

What's human about human rights?

8.00 pm

Stephen Lambden.

A Translation and Commentary upon the Khuṭba al-Jidda (Oration at Jeddah) of the Bāb

4:00-4:30

BREAK

4.30-5.00

Nahal Mavaddat, "The Association for Bahā'ī Studies UK (I)"

5:00-6:00

Erfan Sabeti, "

New Religious Movements and the Bahā'ī Faith".

9.00 pm

Bahā'ī Studies Past, Present and Future. Iran and the Middle East; Uk- Europe- USA- Rest of the world... Work in progress reports. Lil Abdo , `Cultification and the Bahā'ī Faith?'

7:00

DINNER

■ SUNDAY February 11th

■ SATURDAY, February 10th

Session II

10.00-11:00

Moojan Momen.

"A Bahā'ī History of SAYSAN as seen from the perspective of Social and Economic Development"

10:00-11:00

Moojan Momen,

"The Movement against Clerical Power in Iran from the 16th Century Onwards" .

11:00-11:30

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11:30-12:30

Lil Abdo (I)

"The Northern Network and the Socialist Connection"

11:30-12:00

Nahal Mavaddat, "The Association for Bahā'ī Studies UK (II)".

12.00-100

Stephen Lambden,

"The Mightiest Name, the Greatest Name and the Arabic word Bahā'"

12:30-2:00

LUNCH

1.00-2:00

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Session III

2:00-3:00

Geoff Nash

"Ernest Renan and the nineteenth century critique of religion".

Session V

Optional session...

2.00-3.00

General Open Consultation and future Seminar plans... ..