

PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME FOR THE FIFTH MELCOM INTERNATIONAL
CONFERENCE: Cambridge, 10-13 April 1983

- Sunday, 10th Delegates arrive.
- Monday, 11th
- 9.30 Opening address by Dr. Ratcliffe and Professor Pearson. Descriptions of new centres including Centre for Arab Gulf Studies Documentation and Research Library, Exeter; Institute of Ismaili Studies, London; Bibliotheque de Documentation Internationale Contemporaine.
 - 11.00 Break
 - 11.30 Bookpublishing and bookselling on the Middle East (Dr. Derricourt of Cambridge University Press and David Croom of Croom Helm, Ltd. (French discussant?))
 - 1.00 Lunch
 - 2.30 Bibliographical session.
Genealogies and biographical dictionaries - Paul Auchterlonie
Arabic printing - Geoffrey Roper
Middle Eastern Bibliographies - Diana Grimwood-Jones
Indian libraries with collections of Arabic and Persian material - Ursula Sims-Williams
Onomasticon Arabicum - Dr. Sublet?
 - 4.00 Break
 - 4.30 Contributions by European delegates, including the volume and cost of Islamic literature in the German-speaking countries - Wolfgang Behn
 - 8.00 Photographs from the Middle East Centre, Oxford - Gillian Grant
- Tuesday, 12th
- 9.30 Tour of Cambridge University Library
 - 11.00 Break
 - 11.30 The Taylor-Schechter Geniza Collection - S. Reif
 - 1.00 Lunch
- Afternoon free
- Wednesday, 13th
- 9.30 Special sessions
(Turcologists, to discuss Turkish bibliography?)
(Iranologists, to discuss Abstracta Islamica, etc)
(Arabists to discuss Vedettes/Headings and Codicology - Adam Gacek)
 - 11.00 Break
 - 11.30 Middle Eastern archives
 - 1.00 Lunch
 - 2.30 Contributions by Arab delegates
 - 4.00 Break
 - 4.30 Concluding session including the use of computers in Middle Eastern libraries
 - 7.00 Pst-diner
- Thursday, 14th Conference disperses