Conference programme : 8-10 January 1996

Session 1:

Charlotte Wien, Center for Contemporary Middle East Studies, Odense University, Odense, Denmark
An analysis of the major bibliographic database systems capable of handling Arabic vernacular script available on the market today

Ayman Fouad, Dar al-Kutub al-Misriyya, Cairo:
Qaidat Bayanat Makhtutat Dar al-Kutub al-Misriyya (La base données des manuscrits arabes de Dar al-Kutub)

Session 2:

- Colin Baker, British Library, London: The benefits of the Arabic manuscripts microfiche project in the British Library

- Éva Apor, Oriental Collections of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Budapest: The oriental manuscripts and a Mahmud Mirza Qajar tazkere in the library of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences

- Shaaban Khalifa, University of Cairo: Library education in the Middle East

Visites :

1- American University in Cairo, Library, The rare books and special collections, presented by Lesley Wilkins

2- CEDEJ, presented by Philippe Fargues

Session 3:

- Eiad al-Tabbaa, Juma al-Majid Centre, Dubai, UAE:

- Eglal Bahgat, Government of Egypt, Cabinet: Information technology and developing library (IDSC)

- Philippe Vezie, Institut Francais d'Archéologie Orientale (IFAO), Cairo: Le fonds arabe de la bibliothèque de l'IFAO et sa politique d'achat

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Session 4:

- Valentina Colombo, Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore, Milano: Higazi and other Quran manuscripts in the library of the University of Leiden

- Marie-Geneviève Guesdon, Bibliothèque Nationale de France, Paris: Acquisitions récentes de manuscrits arabes à la BNF

Session 5:

- Sayeda Maged, League of Arab States, Library, Cairo: The library of the League of Arab States

- Geoffrey Roper, Islamic Bibliographic Unit, Cambridge University Library, England: Arabic block-prints: a call for action

- William Becket, Geographical Society of Egypt, Cairo: The activities of the Geographical Society of Egypt

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Session 6:

- Id Abdallah Id al-Saiyyid, al-Azhar University, Library, Cairo: Al-mushkilat al-fanniyya fi maktabat al-gamiat bi-al-sharq al-awsat (the technical problems in the University Libraries of the Middle East)

- Ibrahim al-Mouelhy, Institut d'Égypte, Cairo: Contribution des documents à la rélévation des erreurs historiques

- Aida Nosseir, American University in Cairo: Egyptian book publishing in the nineteenth century