



# Tracking Global Wokeism

CONFERENCE AT GUST, KUWAIT  
ORGANIZED BY THE GSC

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## Program

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### Keynote speakers

Hans-Georg Moeller (Macau University)

Ignacio Lòpez-Calvo (University of California Merced)

William Franke (Vanderbilt University)

Carol Burke (University of California, Irvine)

Lisa Blaydes (Stanford University)

Nesma Elsakaan (University of Palermo, Italy)

Zoltan Somhegyi (Károli Gáspár University, Budapest)

**DAY 0**  
**MONDAY, FEB. 6, 2023**

Arrival. Dinner in Restaurant *Misk*, Salmiya at 20h

**DAY 1**  
**TUESDAY FEB. 7, 2023**

Registration from 8h30 in GUST W6-200.  
9h00 Welcome addresses

**Session I: 9h30-11h30**  
Chair: Thorsten Botz-Bornstein

**(Keynote)** William Franke: *Unsayings Wokeism, or the Role of Self-Critique in Judging Others*

Michael Brosch: *'Woke-Culture' and 'Moral Encroachment' – Philosophical Analysis behind the Question: Can Empirical Statements be 'Morally Bad'?* (online)

Jibril Latif: *Can we Laugh about It? 'Based' Heroes Survive Cancellation Using Comedy and Alternative Mediascapes to Speak for a Repressed Majority*

**Coffee break (11h30-12h)**

**Session II: 12h00-14h00**  
Chair: Jibril Latif

**(Keynote)** Carol Burke: *The Anti-woke Movement in America*

Ismail Lala: *Wokeism and Spiritual Legalism. Ibn 'Arabi's Law for the Individual*

Angela Gonzalez Echeverry: *Tracking Wokeism. The Case of Batallon Ayacucho, Manizales-Colombia*

**LUNCH (14h00)**

**Session III: 15h00-16h30**  
Chair: Thorsten Botz-Bornstein

**(Keynote)** Hans Georg Moeller: *Wokeism. A Global Civil Religion in the “Age of Proficiency?”*

Alejandro Carpio: *Wokeism and Catharism. On Religions that Might Have Existed* (online)

16h30: Take bus to Tareq Rajab Art Museum in Jabriya

Visit Kuwait Towers

Dinner in Souk Mubarakiya

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**DAY 2**  
**WEDNESDAY, FEB. 8, 2023**

**Session IV: 9h30-11h30**

Chair: Shahd Al Shammari

**(Keynote)** Lisa Blaydes: *Pandemic Politics in the Arab Gulf States. Elite Rhetoric and Public Attitudes toward Foreign Migration in Kuwait and Qatar*

**(Keynote)** Nesma ElSakaan: *Political Correctness and Wokeism in Complex Arab Context(s)*

**Coffee break (11h30)**

**Session V: 12h00-13h30:**

Chair: Ildiko Kaposi

E. Enise Yakar: *The Concept of Wokeism in Islamic Legal Philosophy*

**(Keynote)** Zoltan Somhegyi: *Curing and Caring Through Art. Memory and Memorials in Times of Changing Interpretations of the Contested Past*

**LUNCH (13h30)**

**Session VI: 14h30-16h00:**

Chair: Mauricio Duarte

Tommaso Ostilio: *Wokeism and Democracy. A Terrible Mix.*

**(Keynote)** Ignacio López-Calvo: *The Afterlives of Wokeness and the Limits of Epistemic Colonialism*

Discussion

End of conference

