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**NEW UNIVERSITY  
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CONSORTIUM**

**ANNUAL REPORT  
2022-2023**

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# LETTER FROM THE FOUNDING DIRECTOR

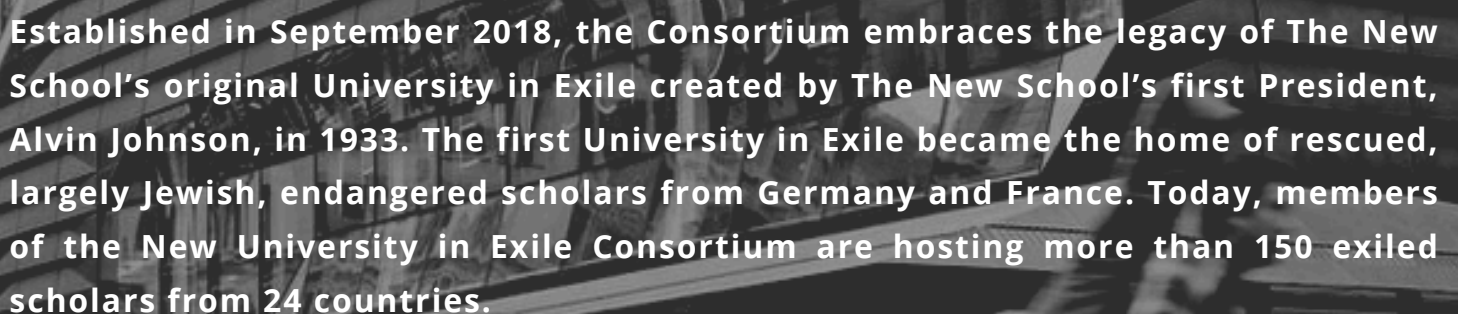
**The New University in Exile Consortium** continues to carry out its mission to assist endangered scholars in many ways: First and foremost, by continuing to realize our original mission to create a vibrant, collegial, and intellectual online community to which each participating scholar member can feel they belong. In the five years since we launched the Consortium, it has grown from a small group of 11 universities and colleges in the Northeast United States to a 68-member global collaborative with significantly increased programming that supports our hosted scholars as they come to terms with the difficulties of exile.

This year, as we watched the continued deterioration of Afghanistan under the Taliban, and the horrors of the ongoing war in Ukraine, among other international emergencies, our network has come together to address the multitude of emerging needs. As you will read, we have continued in our expanded mission to support threatened undergraduates and graduate students, as well as scholars. We have also welcomed the first two of ten threatened Afghan artists on one-year fellowships at The New School as part of the **University in Exile for Afghan Artists** we are committed to creating.

As restrictions on academic freedom, threats to intellectual life and scholarship, and the actual destruction of university facilities continue, the institutions and scholar-members of **the New University in Exile Consortium** will work steadfastly together to do all we can to protect and nurture scholars forced into exile and the rich intellectual resources they represent.



Arien Mack  
Founder & Director, New University in Exile Consortium



Established in September 2018, the Consortium embraces the legacy of The New School's original University in Exile created by The New School's first President, Alvin Johnson, in 1933. The first University in Exile became the home of rescued, largely Jewish, endangered scholars from Germany and France. Today, members of the New University in Exile Consortium are hosting more than 150 exiled scholars from 24 countries.

# GLOBAL MEMBERSHIP

This year, the Consortium welcomed member institutions from 4 new countries: Bangladesh, Ireland, Sweden, and Spain. We now are a group of **68 colleges and universities from 15 different countries** and have established ourselves as a truly global network.

Each institutional member is committed to hosting at least one exiled scholar every year, and many are hosting more than one scholar, as well as large numbers of displaced students. The exiled hosted scholars constitute our scholar cohort with whom we work individually and collectively to try and lessen the profound sense of dislocation which exiled scholars suffer and which adversely impacts their intellectual and personal lives.

## UNITED STATES (31)

Amherst College

Arizona State University

Barnard College

**Binghamton University, State University of New York\***

Brown University

Carnegie Mellon University

**Clark University\***

Columbia University

Connecticut College

George Mason University

Georgetown University

Miami University

Northeastern University

Rutgers University

San José State University

The New School

Trinity College



Tufts University

**Tulane University\***

Union College

University of Connecticut

University of Minnesota

University of North Dakota

University of Pittsburgh

**University of Rochester\***

Wayne State University

Wellesley College

Wesleyan University

Wheaton College

Williams College

Yale University

**\*New member**



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# GLOBAL MEMBERSHIP

**BANGLADESH (1)**

**Asian University for Women\***

**CANADA (4)**

McGill University

Queen's University

The University of British Columbia

University of Ottawa

**FRANCE (3)**

Université Paris Lumières

**Université Paris Nanterre\***

Université Paris 8 Vincennes-Saint-Denis

**GERMANY (8)**

Friedrich-Schiller-Universität Jena

Freie Universität Berlin

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Humboldt Universität zu Berlin

**Philipps-Universität Marburg\***

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Universität Bonn

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**IRELAND (2)**

**Maynooth University\***

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University of Johannesburg

University of Kwazulu-Natal (Affiliate)

University of Pretoria

University of Witwatersrand

**SPAIN (1)**

**Universitat de Barcelona\***

**SWEDEN (1)**

**Karolinska Institutet\***

**Switzerland (2)**

École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne

**Université de Genève\***

**United Kingdom (3)**

Birkbeck, University of London

London School of Economics

**Open University\***

# HOSTED SCHOLARS

# 150

Our member institutions are currently hosting over 150 endangered, exiled scholars, many of whom are provided with fellowships by the Council for At-Risk Academics, Einstein Foundation Berlin, PAUSE Program, Philipp Schwartz Initiative, Scholars at Risk, and Scholar Rescue Fund, while others are supported by their host universities and colleges.



# 24

Our hosted scholars come from 24 countries.

**Consortium hosted scholars are experts in a wide variety of academic fields, including:** agriculture, anthropology, archeology, art history, economics, English, environmental science, epidemiology, film studies, higher education administration, history, law, linguistics, mathematics, medicine, microbiology, migration studies, museum curation, philosophy, physics, poetry, political science, psychology, public health, sociology, urban studies, women's, gender, and sexuality studies.



# SCHOLARS SEEKING PLACEMENTS

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Many exiled scholars face uncertain futures when their fellowships end.

If your institution is able to find a place for any of these exiled scholars please email us at [uieconsortium@newschool.edu](mailto:uieconsortium@newschool.edu).



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ARCHEOLOGY



**TENG BIAO**  
HUMAN RIGHTS LAW



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PHILOSOPHY



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FRANCOPHONE STUDIES



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ECONOMICS



**MARIAM TAQADDUSI**  
GENDER & WOMEN'S  
STUDIES



**MARIA AUXILIADORA BRICEÑO  
BARRIOS**  
ECONOMICS

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# ASSISTING AFGHAN STUDENTS & SCHOLARS

Since the takeover of Afghanistan by the Taliban in 2021, **the Consortium** has worked to assist students and artists as well as scholars by arranging placements at our member institutions. We are proud that many of our members are offering fellowships, full-tuition scholarships, and living stipends for Afghan undergraduates, graduate students, and scholars. Consortium member institutions are currently hosting more than **30 threatened Afghan scholars and 900 Afghan students**, a majority of whom are women.

We have initiated monthly meetings with Afghan students hosted by Consortium member universities in an effort to help them deal with the many challenges they confront. Each meeting provides an opportunity for the students to connect with each other, let us know about any problems they are facing, and learn more about their new academic environments. Guests, including Consortium-hosted Afghan scholars and a local nonprofit director, spoke to the group about the importance of asking for help, provided information about internship opportunities, and fielded questions from students. We are providing the students with access to free, online mental healthcare through **The Safran Center for Psychological Services** at The New School. Our staff, as small as it is, has also provided individualized assistance in writing resumes, cover letters, and applications.

We remain extremely grateful for the unexpected and generous gift we received from friends of **the Consortium** to support the education of Afghan young women in the U.S. and hope others will follow their lead and step up to help us in our work assisting the still extremely large number of Afghan young people desperately in need of our help in getting access to higher education.





# UNIVERSITY IN EXILE FOR AFGHAN ARTISTS

**The New University in Exile Consortium**, working with our colleagues at the [Artistic Freedom Initiative](#), is committed to bringing 10 endangered Afghan artists on 1-year fellowships to the programs and divisions in the arts at The New School. When the full cohort of Afghan artists arrives on campus, we will have succeeded in creating a second University in Exile at The New School, of which we are very proud. This work is made possible by the generous support from The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, the Doris Duke Foundation for Islamic Art, the Helen Frankenthaler Foundation, and from individual donors.

## Artist Profile: Ahmad Fanoos

Renowned Afghan vocalist and harmonium player, Ahmad Fanoos is the first University in Exile for Afghan Artists fellow. He is being hosted by the [Mannes School of Music](#) in the [College of Performing Arts](#) at The New School. Fanoos has headlined numerous performances across Afghanistan, India, Pakistan, Russia, and the U.S. and received multiple awards, including the Best Artist Award in Afghanistan (2008) and the Golden Voice Award in Dubai (2012).

In the spring 2023 semester, Fanoos performed regularly with his ensemble that includes his two sons on their [Heart of Afghanistan tour](#), performing 18 times in locations across the entire continental U.S. Fanoos also led an ensemble for New School students and will do so again in the fall 2023 semester.



# UNIVERSITY IN EXILE FOR AFGHAN ARTISTS

## Artist Profile: Sahraa Karimi

Sahraa Karimi is an acclaimed filmmaker who has enjoyed international success in her career as a screenwriter, director, and professor. She is the first woman ever to head Afghan Films as its Director-General. Karimi's filmography includes works such as *Afghan Women Behind the Wheel* (2009), and *Hava, Maryam, Ayesha* (2019). She has received many awards for her films, including the Afghanistan nomination for the Best Foreign Film Academy Award (*Hava, Maryam Ayesha*, 2019). Karimi is the founder of her own film production company, Kapila Multimedia House, which supports independent Afghan filmmakers and artists.



We are happy to announce that Sahraa Karimi's new film, "Flight From Kabul," based on her own experience of fleeing the Taliban, won the **Works in Development Award** at the **Karlovy Vary International Film Festival**, July 2-5, 2023.

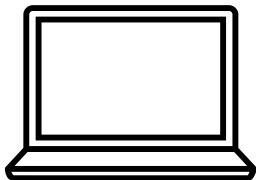
**"FOR ITS BOLD VISION, POLITICAL AUDACIOUSNESS AND ENTERPRISING STORYTELLING, THE WORKS IN DEVELOPMENT AWARD GOES TO A PROJECT THAT EXPLORES A PEOPLE AND PLACE SELDOM SEEN ON SCREEN; A PEOPLE AND PLACE THAT HAVE BEEN LET DOWN BY WESTERN POLITICIANS WHO STOOD IDLE AS THE POWERS OF DARKNESS VENTURED TO RAVAGE IT IN FRONT OF THE APATHETIC, COMPLACENT EYES OF THE WORLD."**



# ASSISTANCE FOR UKRAINIAN STUDENTS & SCHOLARS

The Consortium has been actively engaged in helping Ukrainian academics and students. Recently, we were able to provide a substantial gift to the Kharkiv Karazin University Foundation which will enable faculty and students to continue their work at the university, for example, by providing a heated communal space where faculty and students can work during the extremely cold winter months.

Currently, Consortium member institutions are hosting over **20 Ukrainian academics** and a number of Ukrainian students. We continue to connect scholars in need with the schools and organizations best able to assist them and to expand our **Resource List** with the most up-to-date resources for displaced scholars and students.



Through **the Consortium**, 200 laptops were donated by [Siemens](#) to Karazin University in Ukraine, and shipped via our Polish university member, Kozminski University, in Warsaw, Poland.

**Featured Article: "They Can't Kill Us All": These Scholars Lost Their Countries and Found Each Other.** This article describes in rich detail, the origins of the Consortium, our mission, and the impact we have had on the threatened scholars hosted by our member institutions.

**Mother Jones**



By Melissa Fay Greene  
November 23, 2022

# WEEKLY SCHOLARS FORUM

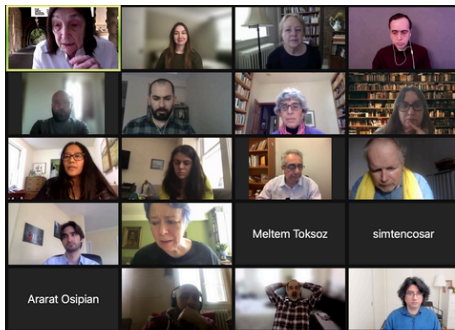
From our very start and to this day, **the Consortium** runs a weekly online meeting, recently renamed the "Scholars' Forum" that serves as a gathering place for intellectual and personal connection. In the 2022-2023 academic year, the seminar was led by **Lawrence A. Rosenwald**, Anne Pierce Rogers Professor Emeritus of American Literature and Professor Emeritus of English at Wellesley College.

## Fall Guest Speakers

- Reem Alghazzi\*
- Irena Gross
- Nael Hijjo\*
- Shafiqa Khpalwak\*
- Habib Sorosh\*

## Spring Guest Speakers

- Alex Aleinikoff
- Osman Babury\*
- Utku Balaban\*
- Judith Friedlander
- Jeffrey Goldfarb
- Victor Kazanjian
- Tomek Kitlinski\*
- Anwar Mhajne
- Ajmal Sabawoon\*
- Andrzej Tymowski



\*Consortium hosted scholar

The Scholars' Forum serves the dual purpose of exploring a subject of interest to the scholars, while also providing a weekly point of contact. Creating this sense of community and belonging is crucial for scholars who all share the painful experience of exile. It is critical for our scholars to be with others (if only virtually) who understand the enormously difficult experience of living under a repressive regime, losing family and friends, and being forced to flee to start a new life and career in an unfamiliar place.

It is this overwhelming feeling of isolation we at the Consortium work to alleviate.



# CO-LED ONLINE SEMINARS

**This year, Consortium scholars co-led 10 online seminars.**

These seminars are co-led by a **Consortium** scholar and an endangered colleague. The seminars are designed to connect endangered scholars to the global academic community and to offer students who have lost access to academic institutions and their professors an opportunity to re-engage. They are **free and open to anyone** anywhere in the world with an internet connection. This year, our seminars welcomed participants from **88 countries** and had a total of **2,990 registrants**.

## Fall 2022

- Communications across Languages, Cultures, and Nations – In Other Words, Translation, co-led by Nael Hijjo & Kais Kadhim – 271 registered participants.
- Crisis of Democracy, co-led by Omar Sadr and Bengi Gumrukcu – 281 registered participants.
- Energy and Security, co-led by Mehmet Ari & Eyyup Celik – 105 registered participants.
- Feminist Research Methodologies, co-led by Asli Kotaman & Pelin Yalçinoğlu Kaplan – 585 registered participants.
- Media and Policy in the Era of Fake News, co-led by Anton Liagusha & Andriy Karakuts – 228 registered participants.
- Where is China Going and Why: The Party, State, and Global Order, co-led by Teng Biao and Andrew Nathan – 835 registered participants.

*"I particularly enjoyed the breadth of scope and highly critical approach of the speakers towards the colonial roots of LGBTQ suppression and repression over the years. Fine academics and amazing human beings, both of them. I feel privileged to have attended this course."*

Spring 2023

- Afghanistan Under the Taliban, co-led by Shoaib Rahim & Kazim Karimi –104 registered participants.
- The Arab Spring, Its Makings, Transitions, and Visual Representations in Perspective, led by Hassan Almohammed; co-sponsored by Off University.
- Women's Lives in Iran: Between the Religious-Traditional and New Horizons, co-led by Naima Mohammadi & Mohammad Rezaei – 131 registered participants.
- Decolonizing and Globalizing LGBTQ+ Studies, co-led by Paweł Leszkowicz and Tomasz Kitliński – 450 registered participants.



*"[Where is China Going and Why] is without doubt the best online seminar that I have known. It provides me perspectives to see China as a country and a nation in the way that I have not imagined before. Due to these lectures, I decide to pursue a postgraduate degree in Chinese studies outside China proper, and build a career related to the cultural reconstruction of Chinese diaspora and exilers in the future, hoping to affect the political and cultural environment in mainland China to some degree."*



# ANNUAL SCHOLARS CONFERENCE

**NEW UNIVERSITY IN EXILE  
CONSORTIUM SCHOLARS  
CONFERENCE**

**THE PLIGHT OF WOMEN  
AND MINORITIES UNDER  
AUTHORITARIAN REGIMES**

MONDAY, APRIL 17, 2023  
1:00 - 5:00 PM CEST  
In-person and online

Join Online:  
Campus Condorcet, Centre  
de colloques, Place du Front  
populaire, 93522  
Aubervilliers <https://spaces.avayacloud.com/spaces/64397786ee43e429e8de823b>

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**Rina Amiri, U.S. Special Envoy for Afghan Women, Girls, and Human Rights** was the Keynote Speaker. She emphasized the pressing need for international aid and cooperation, as well as importance of organizing efforts based on the testimonies of Afghan citizens.

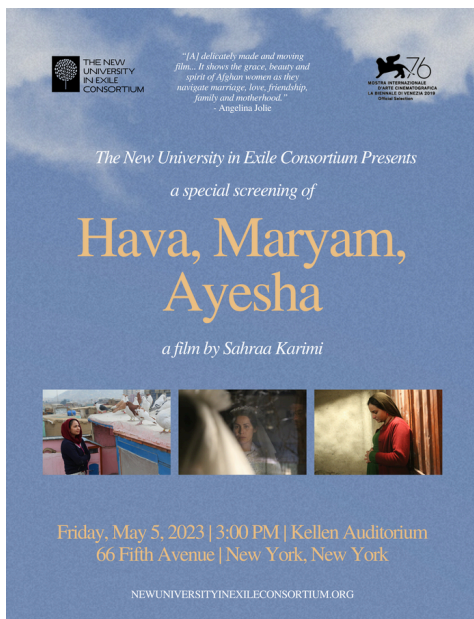
Our Annual Consortium Scholars Conference, **"The Plight of Women and Minorities Under Authoritarian Regimes"** was held on Monday, April 17, 2023 in Saint-Denis, France, hosted by Consortium member Université Paris 8. The Conference, which was both in-person and virtual, was open to the public and consisted of two panels and a keynote presentation. **U.S. Special Envoy for Afghan Women, Girls, and Human Rights, Rina Amiri**, gave the keynote in which she highlighted the necessity of international cooperation to address the severe humanitarian and economic crises facing Afghan women and girls.

Consortium scholars from Afghanistan, Iran, Poland, Russia, Turkey, and Syria spoke in the first panel, **"The Treatment of Minorities under Authoritarian Regimes,"** about their own experiences of political repression and exile, their study of the issues, and possible solutions. Consortium scholar Tomek Kitliński moderated the panel while Teoman Aktan, Natalia Fedorova, Nahed Ghazzoul, Asli Kotaman, and Naima Mohammadi served as panelists.

During the second panel, **"The State of Women in Afghanistan Today,"** Afghan scholars with backgrounds in academia, activism, and journalism discussed the importance of continued global attention and media coverage of the atrocities and injustices facing women and girls living under Taliban rule. The panel was moderated by Crystal Bayat and included Consortium scholar panelists Safia Hussaini, Faisal Karimi, Shafiqah Khpalwak, Aziz Mohibbi, and Massume Zaki.

# CELEBRATORY WEEKEND IN NYC

Consortium scholars and liaisons living in the U.S. and Canada were invited to The New School in New York City for a Consortium meeting and screening of "Hava, Maryam, Ayesha," a film by University in Exile for Afghan Artists Fellow, Sahraa Karimi. The next day, our Founder and Director, Dr. Arien Mack, hosted a brunch in her home to discuss **Consortium** activities in the coming year.



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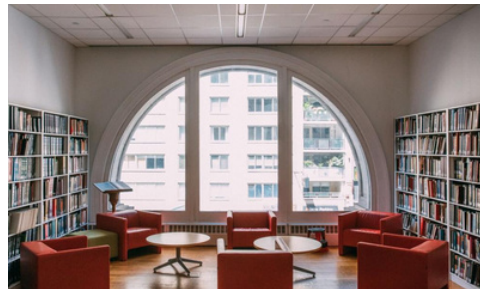
# LIBRARY ACCESS INITIATIVE

The Library Access Initiative provides stranded, endangered scholars with remote access to the electronic materials available at a **Consortium** institution library.

The Initiative is designed to allow stranded scholars to continue their research despite having been cut off from their academic institutions. Consortium Scholars are providing library access to **15 scholars from 6 countries**.

The Consortium has been able to provide access to libraries at the New School, Wesleyan University, and the New York Public Library System, among others.

**[Click here to apply for library access.](#)**



# GLOBAL SOURCEBOOK

The **SourceBook** is a searchable database of resources for endangered scholars. There are currently 200 entries, with regular updates.

# ENDANGERED SCHOLARS WORLDWIDE

As part of the **New University in Exile Consortium**, **Endangered Scholars Worldwide** is an initiative founded by Dr. Arien Mack in 2007 on the conviction that academic freedom and freedom of inquiry are basic human rights. It is dedicated to raising public awareness and support for intellectuals, academics, researchers, and students who are threatened, silenced, or imprisoned simply for doing their scholarly work or speaking out against the injustices around them.

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UNIVERSITY  
STUDENTS IN IRAN  
PUNISHED FOR  
PROTESTING  
POISONING OF  
SCHOOLGIRLS



# SCHOLAR PRESENTATIONS

Consortium scholars participated in **over 110 public lectures, presentations, and conferences** during the 2023-24 academic year.

- **Mansour Al-Maswari**, "Divided Loyalties in Yemen: Exploring the Impact of Political Identity Conflict on National Loyalty," Qatar University, Gulf Studies Center, OPEMAM, and SEPAM June 5-6, 2023.
- **Crystal Bayat**, panelist at PEN America World Voices Summit, New York, NY and Los Angeles, CA, May 10-13, 2023.
- **Nazan Bedirhanoglu**, "Turkey's Elections: Local and Global Implications," Middle Eastern Studies Association (MESA) Global Academy and The Arab Studies Institute, online, Thursday, May 25, 2023.
- **Teng Biao**, "Transnational Repression of Freedom of Religion or Belief," U.S. Commission on International Religious Freedom (USCIRF) Hearing, May 10, 2023.
- **Mulu Gebreyohannes**, "Tigray Post-War Reconstruction Framework," Global Society of Tigray Scholars and professionals (GSTS) High-level Workshop On Postwar Reconstruction of Tigray, June 3-4, 2023.
- **Naima Mohammadi**, "The Struggle of Iranian Women' for Life and Freedom," Gender, Sexuality, and Women's Studies Center at the University of Pittsburgh on the occasion of International Woman Day, March 8th, 2023.
- **Iryna Sotnyk**, "Energy security and state support mechanisms to promote energy efficiency and renewable energy in Ukraine," to the public at the University of Geneva (UNIGE), December, 15, 2022.



# SCHOLAR PUBLICATIONS

In the 2022-2023 academic year, **Consortium** scholars published **over 75 works**. Here are some examples:

- **Fazlullah Akhtar**, "The Spectre of Climate Change-Induced Migration in Afghanistan." *Environment, Climate Change and Migration in South Asia* (pp. 31-48). Routledge India.
- **Abdulgaleel Ahmed**, "Resumption optionality in direct object relative clauses in modern standard Arabic", *Cogent Arts & Humanities*, 10:1.
- **Utku Balaban**, "There's Nothing Natural about Turkey's Earthquake Disaster", Public Seminar, Feb. 16 2023.
- **Maria Auxiliadora Briceño** and **Jose Daniel Anido R.**, "Reactivation of tourism in the state of Mérida (Venezuela): A proposal within the framework of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals." *Cuadernos sobre Relaciones Internacionales, Regionalismo y Desarrollo*, 16(32), 135-196.
- **Asli Kotaman**, "Revenge by Cleaning: Fatma and My name is Farah Series", *Akdeniz Kadın Çalışmaları ve Toplumsal Cinsiyet Dergisi*, November 2023.
- **Henry Meriki**, "Poor Dietary Diversity, a Key Determinant of Household Food Insecurity: Insights from a Community-Based Survey in Buea Health District, Cameroon" *Cameroon, Journal of Hunger & Environmental Nutrition*, June 5, 2023.
- **Arash Nemat**, "Afghan women are essential to humanitarian NGO work," *The Lancet, Global Health*, Feb. 27, 2023.
- **Kian Tajbakhsh**, "Iran Has Become a Prison," *The Atlantic*, November 1, 2022.

## SCHOLAR MEDIA APPEARANCES

Amnesty International Report	The Chronicle of Higher Education
Forbes	The New York Times
La Razon	The Washington Post
Le Monde	The Wire, China
Radio Free Europe	Times Higher Education
The Atlantic	Voices of America TV



## UNIVERSITY COURSES

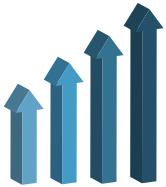
Select courses taught by Consortium scholars this past year:

- **Adnan Almohamad**, "The destruction and looting of antiquities in Syria during the war" Department of History, Classics and Archaeology Birkbeck College, University of London.
- **Mulu Gebreyesus Gebreyohannes**, "Foreign Direct Investment and Development," Barnard College, Columbia University.
- **Bengi Gumrukcu**, "Topics in Comparative Politics – Social Movements," Rutgers University.
- **Ahmed Kzzo**, "Cultural Heritage and Identities in the Middle East" Potsdam University, Global History Department.
- **Bezhan Pazhohan**, "Persian for Heritage Learners," Near Eastern Languages and Civilizations (NELC) Faculty, Yale University.
- **Iryna Sotnyk**, "Economics of Resource-saving", "Social and Solidarity Economy," Business Process Management," "Decision-making," and "Social and Labor Relations," Sumy State University, Ukraine.

## HONORS, FELLOWSHIPS & NEW POSITIONS

- **Nazan Bedirhanoglu**, accepted tenure-track position as a teaching professor in sociology program at Xavier University.
- **Utku Balaban**, accepted a position in the Department of Race, Intersectionality, Gender, and Sociology at Xavier University.
- **Pashtana Dorani**, awarded the 2023 Global Citizen Prize: Citizen Award, Afghanistan.
- **Asli Kotaman**, granted a fellowship at the Center for Advanced Internet Studies (CAIS) in Bochum from 1 October 2023 to 31 March 2024.
- **Kaveh Madani**, appointed as director of the United Nations University. Institute for Water, Environment and Health, and took up the post on February 1, 2023.

# 2023 - 2024



We will continue outreach and grow institutional membership in the New University in Exile Consortium globally. With each new member we will welcome at least 1 new endangered scholar to our group. To join the Consortium, contact us at [uieconsortium@newschool.edu](mailto:uieconsortium@newschool.edu).

We will offer 6 free, co-led online seminars in the fall 2023 semester (registration will open in August).



1. **Language, Gender and Identity**, co-led by Abdulgaleel Abdullah & Sameer Abdulrazzaq; **language of instruction will be Arabic.**
2. **Designing Research with Feminist Approach**, co-led by Aslı Kotaman & Pelin Yalçinoğlu.
3. **The Struggle For Quality And Transformation In Afghanistan's Higher Education During The Last Two Decades**, co-led by M. Osman Babury & Fazlullah Akhtar.
4. **Climate Change, Conflict and Underdevelopment**, co-led by Mulu Gebreyohannes & Seid Hassen Mohamed.
5. **Communications across Languages, Cultures, and Nations - In Other Words, Translation**, co-led by Nael Hijjo & Reem Lulu.
6. **Literature, History and Social Issues in the Middle East**, led by Mohammed Almahfali and Shada Bokir.

**A focus on gender & LGBTQIA+ Studies:** Since 2019, we have hosted 31 free seminars taught by Consortium scholars on topics ranging from “Law, Justice, and Human Rights in China” to “Feminist Research Methods.” The latter, taught in the fall of 2021, had over 1,500 registrants from all over the world, while other seminars touching on gender issues have had similarly large numbers of registrants. We attribute these impressive numbers to the fact that courses on gender and LGBTQIA+ studies are not available to students in many places in the world where there is a great demand for them.

We, therefore, have decided to expand our curriculum on gender and LGBTQIA+ and to provide instruction in both Arabic and Farsi. In the fall of 2023, we will offer one gender seminar in Arabic and one in English. In the future, we plan to offer seminars on gender and LGBTQIA+ studies in Farsi. We launched the gender curriculum with three co-led seminars in the spring 2023 semester (and several others on different topics) and anticipate the overall number of seminars to increase in the future.



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We would like to acknowledge and thank each of the institutional liaisons who support the **New University in Exile Consortium** and our scholar-members.

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  - Hana Cervinkova, Professor of Anthropology, Maynooth University
  - Victor Cha, Professor; Vice Dean for Faculty and Graduate Affairs, Georgetown University
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