

# IQSA Annual Meeting

5-7 September 2022

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Monday 5 September 2022

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**8.30–12.15 | Palazzo Steri, University of Palermo**  
Piazza Marina 60

**Introductory Remarks** by IQSA and La Pira, University of Palermo

**Keynote Lecture** by **Roberto Tottoli** (University of Naples L'Orientale):  
*Qur'anic Studies Today: Composing Past Approaches and Building  
New Perspectives*

**Panel:** *The Medinan Surahs: An Integrative Approach*

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**14.00–20.40 | Palazzo Alliata di Villafranca**  
Piazza Bologni 20

**Panel:** *Genealogies of Qur'an Translations*

**Panel:** *Chronology, non-Linearity, Intratextuality, Performance  
and Performative Act*

**Panel:** *Qur'an Translations*

**Panel:** *Trends in Sufi Tafsiṛ*

**Panel:** *Exegesis, Implausibility and Challenges*

**Roundtable:** *Qur'anic Coherence*

**Performance:** *A Read-Through of "Surah Yusuf, A Translation in 5 Acts"*

**General Reception**

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# Tuesday 6 September 2022

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**8.30–19.15 | Palazzo Alliata di Villafranca**  
Piazza Bologna 20

**Panel:** *Vision and Visuality in the Qur'an and Beyond*

**Panel:** *Framing the Antagonist: Modern Readings of the Qur'anic Concept of Fir'awn*

**Panel:** *Narratives, Predecessors, Contacts*

**Panel:** *Material Culture*

**Project presentation and discussion:** *Education between the Qur'an and the Bible*

**Keynote Lecture** by **Johanna Pink** (University of Freiburg):  
*The Light of Civilization, the Shadow of Empires: Mediterranean Muslims and the Qur'an in the Early 20th Century*

**Roundtable:** *Gender-based Research in Qur'anic Studies. An Exploration of Theoretical and Methodological Directions in Contemporary Scholarship*

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# Wednesday 7 September 2022

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**9.30–18.00 | La Pira Library and Research Centre**  
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**Panel:** *Kitāb, Narratives and Technique*

**Keynote Lecture** by **Fred Donner** (University of Chicago):  
*A Historian Looks at the Qur'an*

**Guided library tour and final remarks**