

**Researching Forced Migration in the Middle East  
Emerging Scholars Workshop 2023  
23–24 March 2023, University of Glasgow  
Convenors: Gerasimos Tsourapas, Rawan Arar, Benjamin Thomas White**

**CALL FOR PAPERS**

Refugees and displaced people have been a consistent theme throughout the history of the Middle East and continue to constitute important social, economic, and political actors. The University of Glasgow, with generous support from the Council for British Research in the Levant, is convening this emerging scholars workshop, which seeks to bring together up-and-coming scholars conducting research on forced migration from multiple disciplines. The workshop will be a unique opportunity to advance current research towards publication, meet and interact with leading faculty in the field, and develop their academic networks. Its goal is to enable the next generation of forced migration scholars to contribute to the vitality of our field at large and produce their best possible work.

The workshop has an explicit emphasis on the development of early-career scholars. It will provide an opportunity to early career scholars to present, discuss, and receive critical feedback on their research projects with senior academics in the field. In addition to focused discussions on each paper, the workshop will address strategies and advice for publishing on forced migration in peer-reviewed international journals. It will also feature opportunities to discuss the ethics and logistics of fieldwork in the Middle East, as well the opportunity to interact with invited guest speakers, including Professor Ibrahim Awad (The American University in Cairo).

**Location**

The workshop will take place at the University of Glasgow in Scotland. This will be primarily an in-person event, with activities taking place at the University of Glasgow campus. That said, we will endeavor to include online participation to the extent possible.

**Proposal Submission**

Please submit a one-page abstract (approximately 300 words) here: <https://forms.gle/OraPH4rViZKkMVQ5A>. Be sure that your abstract includes the research question, a brief discussion of methods, as well as some indication of the relevant findings.

***CBRL has generously provided funding to support the participation of early career scholars, including individuals from the Levant, and those with lived experience of forced migration and resettlement.***

We invite scholars from across the social sciences and humanities, including law, history, political science, sociology, anthropology, ethnic studies, and more. Advanced graduate students, postdoctoral fellows, and junior faculty working on all topics related to this prompt will be considered. Our goal is to facilitate in-depth discussions across topics and methods across a global group of scholars.

The deadline for proposal submissions is 11 November 2022. For any further information about the conference, please contact [gerasimos.tsourapas@glasgow.ac.uk](mailto:gerasimos.tsourapas@glasgow.ac.uk). We expect to inform everyone on the status of their proposals by the end of November.