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## **Reading Tayeb Salih in the 21st Century**

**Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2026**

**10am – 6.30pm**

### **Programme**

9.45 - 10.00 Registration

10.00 - 10.30 Introduction by Ahmed Al-Shahi and Laurent Mignon

#### **10.30 - 12.30 1st Session: The World of Tayeb Salih (Chair Ahmed Al-Shahi)**

10.30 - 11.00 *Mustafa Sa'eed and Mansi: How the British fragmented acquisition of the English language to consolidate their imperial rule in Anglo-Egyptian Sudan*  
Mohamed Khalaph (Writer and critic, UK)

11.00 - 11.30 *Time, Space and Belonging in Al Tayeb Salih's Works*  
Amal Osman (Writer and educator, UK)

11.30 - 12.00 *Hosna bint Mahmoud: A Study in Character*  
Lemya Shammatt (King Saud University, Jeddah)

12.00 - 12.30 Discussion

#### **12.30 - 1.40 Lunch break**

#### **1.40 - 3.00 2nd Session: Tayeb Salih in the World (Chair Laurent Mignon)**

1.40 - 2.10 *Season of migration to the North and the East: Reception in French and Turkish of an Arabic novel*  
Timour Muhidine (INALCO, Paris)

2.10 - 2.40 *Mysticism and the Modernist Postsecular in Tayeb Salih*  
Apala Das (Bilkent University, Ankara)

2.40 - 3.00 Discussion

#### **3.00 - 3.30 Tea Break**



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### **3.30 - 4.50 3rd Session: Reading Tayeb Salih's Non-Fiction (Chair Laurent Mignon)**

3.30 - 4.00 *Tayeb Salih's Non-fiction: an Untold Legacy*  
Adil Babikir (Translator, Abu Dhabi)

4.00 - 4.30 *Defamiliarising the Familiar: City Representation in Tayeb Salih's Non-fiction Writing (An Eco-critical Approach)*  
Abdelmagid Abdelrahman Awadelkarim (Majmaah University, Saudia Arabia):

4.30 - 4.50 Discussion

Dr Richard Barltrop will moderate the Q&A session on ZOOM

4.50 - 5.15 Concluding Remarks (Ahmed Al-Shahi and Laurent Mignon)

5.15 - 6.30 Reception

#### **All Welcome**

**Venue: Investcorp Building, St Antony's College, 62 Woodstock Road, Oxford, OX2 6JF**

#### **Registration Essential**



In-person: Please email Dr Ahmed Al-Shahi: [namlas159@gmail.com](mailto:namlas159@gmail.com)

Online: Please register your details at <https://tinyurl.com/TSP26May> or use the QR code to receive your personal ZOOM link by email

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