

SAILING THE EARLY MODERN INDIAN OCEAN:

Texts and Practices in Contact

ONLINE WORKSHOP 24–25 JANUARY 2022

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An international workshop to approach from various perspectives the generation, constitution and circulation of nautical-related knowledge throughout the Indian Ocean World, following the late medieval and early modern trade routes.

Join us to share “case studies”, problems, or curiosities in a collegial setting, benefitting from the expertise, insights and help of interested scholars.

PROGRAM

MON. 24 JANUARY

14:00–14:15 · *Welcome and introduction:* Juan Acevedo and Henrique Leitão

14:15–15:00 · Dionisius Agius (University of Exeter, UK)

The Maritime Language Dominance in the Indian Ocean of the Post Medieval Period.

15:00–15:30 · Eric Staples (Zayed University, Abu Dhabi)

Deciphering Celestial Riddles: The use of Stellarium astronomy software to reconstruct Ibn Mājid’s navigational practices.

15:30–15:45 · Tea break

15:45–16:15 · Fahad Bishara (University of Virginia, USA)

The Twentieth-Century Navigation Notebooks of the Nakhoda ‘Abdulmajeed Al-Failakawi.

16:15–16:45 · Zeeshan Shaikh (University of Southampton, UK)

‘Text-cavating’ Travelogues: A spatiotemporal approach to investigate indigenous navigation practices of pre-modern Red Sea sailors from non-indigenous travel sources.

16:45–17:10 · Closing comments and discussion.

TUE. 25 JANUARY

14:00–14:30 · Pierre-Yves Manguin (École française d’Extrême-Orient (EFEO), France)

Transmission and Innovation in Crossing the South China Sea.

14:30–15:00 · Elke Papelitzky (KU Leuven, Belgium)

Sixteenth to Eighteenth Century Chinese Rutters and the Routes to the Philippines.

15:00–15:15 · Tea break

15:15–15:45 · Renu Elizabeth Abraham (O. P. Jindal Global University, Sonipat, India)

Vocabulário Malaio: Nautical Word Exchange on a Portuguese Ship in the Indian Ocean.

15:45–16:15 · Juan Acevedo & Inês Bénard (University of Lisbon, Portugal)

The Status of Pilots in Comparison: Arabic, Indian, and European Craftsmen, Scientists, Experts?

16:45–17:10 · Closing comments and discussion.

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