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**SPRING  
2022  
EVENTS**

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**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 28, AT 6 PM**  
**VIRTUAL EVENT, PLEASE REGISTER [HERE](#)**

*From Sectarian to Muslim Ecumenicalism:  
Changing Contours of Muslim Sacred Landscape  
in 19th Century Kashmir*

**HAKIM SAMEER HAMDANI**  
AKPIA@MIT Post-Doctoral Fellow

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**MONDAY, APRIL 4, AT 6 PM IN ROOM 3-133**

*The Profession's Vanguard:  
Arab Architects in Mandate Jerusalem*

**NADI ABUSAADA**  
AKPIA@MIT Post-Doctoral Fellow

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**CONFERENCE, SATURDAY, APRIL 30, IN ROOM 56-154**  
**OPEN TO THE PUBLIC, FURTHER DETAILS UPCOMING**

*The Profession's Foundations: Architects  
and Architecture in the Modern Middle East*

The global history of twentieth century architecture, as it stands, is mainly narrated as the story of Western architects and their influence on the rest of the world. This workshop contests this narrative by inviting participants to explore the life and works of the early milieu of Middle Eastern architects, planners, and engineers who developed the modern architectural profession in their countries in the late colonial and postcolonial periods. It pays special attention to these professionals' role in the transnational exchange of technical expertise and the flow of architectural knowledge, experiences, and imageries both regionally within the Middle East and globally during the twentieth century.

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ON ACCESSIBILITY TO THE MIT CAMPUS.**



IMAGE: BASALT LION, AIN DARA TEMPLE. SYRIA. 10TH TO 8TH CENTURY BCE.