

# Visiting Speaker Series

The Institute of Arab and Islamic Studies is pleased to present a talk by esteemed academic

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# ‘Transformative Occupation and the Right of Resistance’

Wednesday 14 October 2015, 5.15pm

LT1, IAIS Building, Streatham Campus, Exeter, EX4 4ND,  
Tea & Coffee to be served from 4.30pm in the Common Room,  
Institute of Arab and Islamic Studies.

All are welcome

The right of violent resistance to occupation and the protection of international law generally are often asserted by proponents of occupied peoples. If only international law were respected, so the argument goes, indigenous peoples would be able to repel colonists' transformative occupation.

In this paper, I challenge this common view by showing how the law of occupation has always favoured the occupier as does international law more generally. If peoples want to resist transformative occupations, they have to face the forces arrayed against them without misplaced trust in the law.