

# ARAB FAMILIES WORKING GROUP

Rockefeller Conference Center Bellagio Meeting

March 22-25, 2011

## March 22 Tuesday

Arrival at Bellagio.

Dinner and informal gathering after dinner – Reports from colleagues in the region

## March 23 Wednesday

Participants: All Core Group, Randa Osman, Steve Slatten, Judith Tucker, Lena Meari, Rania Salem

**9am–5pm**

This whole day to be dedicated to:

Discussing the papers submitted for Volume II

***Papers: Penny Johnson & Annelies Moors; Mona Khalaf; Suad Joseph Ray Jureidini; Nadine Naber & Zeina Zaatari***

Planning structure and organization of Volume; Planning thematic focus of Volume II; Planning timetable and deadlines for Volume II; Brainstorming Title for Volume II

**1pm-2pm**

Lunch

**6pm-7pm**

Seminar on Rania Salem's paper: *"Economies of Courtship: Matrimonial Transactions and the Construction of Gender and Class Inequalities in Egypt"*.

**7:30pm-8:30pm**

Dinner

Seminar on Lena Meari's paper: *"Interrogating "Painful" Encounters: The Interrogation Encounter between Palestinian Political Activists and the Shabak"*.

## March 24 Thursday

Participants: All Core Group, Randa Osman, Steve Slatten, Judith Tucker, Lena Meari, Rania Salem

**9am-12pm**

Continuation of Volume II discussion

**1pm-2pm**

Lunch

**2pm-6pm**

**AFWG BUSINESS MEETING:** Participants: Only AFWG Core Group  
Review of AFWG ten years of work; Review of status of current work; Core Group Members Commitments; Explore Models for AFWG Collaboration

**7pm-9:30pm**

Cocktail and Dinner at Villa Serbelloni

## March 25 Friday

Participants: All Core Group, Randa Osman, Steve Slatten, Judith Tucker, Lena Meari, Rania Salem

**9am-11:30am**

Slatten, Communication Specialist, Proposals For:

AFWG Mission Statement /Mission; AFWG Research-to-Policy nexus  
White papers, policy briefs; AFWG Website, YouTube; Wikipedia, Facebook; AFWG Scholars Database; AFWG Benchmarks

**11:30am-1pm**

Review Funding situation and grants (FORD II, IDRC IV, FORD III)

**1pm-2pm**

Lunch

**2pm-6pm**

Future of AFWG: Research, Policy work; Core Group meeting; Publications & Dissemination; Brainstorm Next Phase, Next Projects; Barcelona Recommendations; Social Science Survey Research Center Proposal (QNRF); Issam Faris Institute Proposal

**7:30pm-8:30pm**

Dinner & CELEBRATE AFWG TENTH BIRTHDAY