Notes on Contributors

Abdessamad Belhaj is Research Fellow at the Hungarian Academy of Sciences, MTA-SZTE Research Group for the Study of Religious Culture, Szeged, Hungary. He is also a visiting lecturer in Islamic Studies at the Catholic University of Louvain, Belgium (since 2011). He holds a PhD in Arts and Humanities (Islamic Studies) from Mohammed V University, Morocco (2001) and a PhD in Political and Social Sciences from the Catholic University of Louvain (2008).

Andrea Brigaglia is Senior Lecturer at the Department of Religious Studies at the University of Cape Town. A specialist in West-African Islam, he obtained his PhD in African Studies from the Università degli Studi di Napoli 'L'Orientale' with a thesis on *tafsir* in northern Nigeria.

Catherine Bronson is currently Visiting Assistant Teaching Professor of Arabic in the Department of Classics at the University of Notre Dame, Indiana. She holds a PhD in Middle Eastern History and Near Eastern Languages and Civilizations from the University of Chicago, Illinois.

Claude Gilliot is Professor Emeritus of the Université d'Aix-Marseille and IREMAM. He has published numerous works on *tafsīr* and Muslim exegetes of the Qur'an, especially on al-Ṭabarī, as well as on the history of the Qur'an and on Arabic Islamic sources in *Mélanges de l'Institut Dominicain d'Études Orientales du Caire (MIDEO)*.

Kathrin Eith is Lecturer in Turkish Studies at the University of Halle-Wittenberg. She holds a PhD degree in Islamic Studies from the University of Jena.

Andreas Görke is Lecturer in Islamic Studies at the University of Edinburgh. He holds a PhD degree in Islamic Studies from

Notes on Contributors

the University of Hamburg and received his Habilitation from the University of Basel.

Nejmeddine Khalfallah is Lecturer at the Institut National des Langues at Civilisations Orientales (INALCO) and at the Institut d'études politiques de Paris. He holds a PhD in Arabic Language and Arab Civilisation from INALCO.

Kathrin Klausing is Postdoctoral Research Fellow at the University of Osnabrück. She holds a PhD from the Institute for Arabic Studies at the Free University of Berlin.

Johanna Pink is Professor of Islamic Studies at the University of Freiburg. She received her doctoral degree from the University of Bonn and completed her Habilitation with a monograph on contemporary commentaries on the Qur'an in the Arab World, Turkey and Indonesia.

Andrew Rippin is Professor of Islamic History at the University of Victoria, and, since 2013, a Senior Research Fellow at the Institute of Ismaili Studies. He has published widely on subjects related to the Qur'an, *tafsīr* and early Islam.

Ignacio Sánchez is Research Fellow at the Department of Classics of the University of Warwick. He is currently working on the Oxford/Warwick Ibn Abī Uṣaybiʿa Project. He holds a PhD from the Department of Middle Eastern Studies at the University of Cambridge.

Rebecca Sauer is Postdoctoral Research Fellow for the Collaborative Research Centre 'Material Text Cultures' at the University of Heidelberg. She holds a PhD degree from the University of Cologne.

Nicolai Sinai is Associate Professor of Islamic Studies at the Oriental Institute, University of Oxford, and Fellow of Pembroke College. His research centres on the historical-critical study of the

Notes on Contributors

Qur'an, Islamic exegesis of the Qur'an, and the history of philosophy in the Islamic world.

Roberto Tottoli is Professor at the Università degli Studi di Napoli 'L'Orientale'. He has worked extensively on biblical prophets in the Qur'an and Muslim literature, Hadith, the *isrā'īliyyāt* debate and other aspects of *tafsīr*.

Neguin Yavari is Assistant Professor of Middle East History in the Committee on Historical Studies, The New School University, New York. She obtained her MPhil and PhD degrees in Medieval Islamic History at Columbia University, New York.