



BIPS Second Grant Holders' Workshop 2026

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The Grant Holders' Workshop

The Grant Holders' Workshop showcases the latest research and projects funded by BIPS through its grant schemes.

Covering a wide range of aspects of Iranian and Persianate Studies, the Workshop is an excellent opportunity to discover more about the grants offered by the BIPS and to connect with researchers from several institutions in the UK.

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Information for Participants

Workshop Venue	Helen Langan Room British Academy 10-11 Carlton House Terrace SW1Y 5AH London
Directions	Carlton House Terrace is 10 minutes walking from the tube stations of Charing Cross (Cockspur Street exit) or Piccadilly Circus (Lower Regent Street exit) Nearest bus stops: Piccadilly Circus, Lower Regent Street, Haymarket, Trafalgar Square. Nearest train station: London King's Cross
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Friday, 27 November 2026

10:30 AM Arrival and Coffee

10:50 AM Introduction and Welcome
Evaleila Pesaran, Outreach Director, BIPS

Session 1

11:00-12:30 PM

Sara Bamdad, De Montfort University
Perceptions of Trans Reproductive Bodies in Social Media in Iran

Jack Roush, LSE
David Rockefeller and Iranian Financial Diplomacy during the 1970s

Khosrow Tousi, SOAS
On the Way to the World Stage: Mohammad Ali Foroughi at the 1919 Paris Peace Conference

12:30-1:00 PM Lunch

Session 2

1:00-2:00 PM

Assef Ashraf, University of Cambridge
E.G. Browne and the Making of Iranian Studies

Maryam Heydarkhani, University of Oxford
Architecture and Social Role of Qajar Madrasas

2:00-2:30 PM Coffee break

Session 3 2.30-4:00 PM

Steve Renette, University of Cambridge
An Assyrian and Hellenistic-Parthian Outpost at Kani Shaie in the Zagros Foothills of Northeastern Iraq

Stefano Cecatiello, University College London
Unearthing the Archives: Legacy Data and the Materiality of Religion in the Late Antique Bukhara Oasis

Elizabeth Humphrey, LSE
Divergent Ideas, Durable Politics: The Persistence of Persianate Bureaucratic Legitimacy within Nomadic Empires

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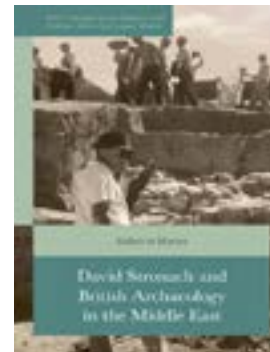
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Genealogical History in the Persianate World.
Edited by Jo-Ann Gross and Daniel Beben.
Published: June 2025.

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David Stronach and British Archaeology in the Middle East. By Sabrina Maras. Published: June 2026.



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