

#### Moroccan British Society

# MBS Newsletter

#### Editorial.

#### More accessible is the MBS



Since the re-launch of the MBS in 2004 and the creation of the King Mohammed VI Fellouship at Oxford University, the MBS has embarked on a new strategy and a more proactive approach in connection with stimulating, motivating and facilitating

communication and collaboration among the peoples of the United Kingdom and the Kingdom of Morocco.

The launching of the MBS Newsletter to be followed by the MBS website encompasses our main objectives to ensure better contact, consultation and understanding of each other's bistory and traditions while providing the backbone and stepping stone for not only creating opportunities for experiential learning, collective thinking but also collaborative action.

The MBS Newsletter is a modest first step in that direction. It will initially be covering the association news, Moroccan and British news deemed important for readers, Moroccan-British actions, historical, political, economic, cultural and artistic events of interest.

A collective approach and collaboration is needed in order to fulfil the above ambitions and aspirations; and as such we welcome and invite input from all interested in or concerned by Moroccan-British relations and by circulating information among cultural, educational, artistic, business, and industry entities involved with the two Kingdoms.

With the Newsletter now, and the website soon to come, the MBS hopes, by utilizing all channels of communication, to become more accessible to its members and with the communities it strives to serve.

Lalla Joumala ALAOUI President

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## Morocan British

## Society

With Her Highness Princess Lalla Journala as its President, the aim of the Moroccan British Society is to considerably develop relations between the Kingdom of Morocco and the United Kingdom in the years to come.

> In February 2003, Her Highness Princess Lalla Journala took over the Presidency of the Moroccan British Society, the main purpose of which is to provide means for Moroccan and British people to acquire a better mutual understanding of their civilizations, cultures, and political, academic, scientific, economic, financial, and commercial institutions.



Promoting and fostering friendly relations and cooperative ties in every domain between the Kingdom of Morocco and the United Kingdom requires strong actions and effective



planning. As a consequence, the MBS will - according to its statutes -"cooperate with official institutions and organs of both states, with which it shall conclude cooperative agreements."

Within the framework of its mission, the MBS will notably organize and manage the mechanisms necessary for reciprocal information between both Moroccan and British circles interested in the essential historical aspects of both countries, their contemporary reality, and the forms of bilateral cooperation between the two States. In addition, better knowledge of both countries will be allowed by the MBS project to conduct various studies which impact will be reinforced by the creation, promotion and assistance of existing Moroccan and British entities in charge of developing bilateral cooperative actions in economic, academic, scientific, financial, and trade sectors in the two countries.

But developing such mutual understanding, capitalizing on existing goodwill and reinforcing cooperation between the Kingdom of Morocco and the United Kingdom is a process that will be successful only if long term actions are undertaken in the cultural and educational domains.

Therefore, the MBS will promote the teaching and the use of English in primary and secondary education by providing teachers and students with appropriate pedagogical materials, and by allocating annual excellence prizes for the most distinguished instructors and the best English language learners. It will also initiate, ...

#### MBS Members: a strong leading team

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- . H.E. Mohamed BELMAHL Ambassador of the Kingdom of Morocco to London
- · M. Frank LAW, C.B.E.







## Good luck MBS!

As a unique initiative to strengthen Moroccan/British relationships, the MBS benefits from the support of several eminent people who wish its newsletter every success. Special addresses from special guests...



H.E. MOHAMMED BELMAHI, Moroccan Ambassador to the UK

The Moroccan British Society, under the able chairmanship of Her Highness Princess Lalla

Journala, has witnessed a genuine revival of its activities. It has rapidly become a hands on and effective player in fostering Moroccan-British relations notably in the cultural and academic fields.

In June 2004, the MBS accomplished an agreement with Oxford University, establishing the King Mohammed VI Fellowship for Moroccan and Mediternanean Studies within St Antony's College. This agreement constitutes the building blocks for establishing sound academic relations between our two Kingdoms, such as the creation of a Scholarship Fund for Moroccan top students enabling them to access the best British Universities, and also the establishment of an academic network involving several UK Universities and think teaks willing to conduct joint Moroccan and Mediterranean studies in collaboration with the newly established Fellowship at Oxford University.

The MBS is also active in building up a network with prominent cultural institutions such as the British Library and the Royal Academy of Arts. It enjoys the support of HRH Princess Alexandra, cousin of HM The Queen.

The MBS has thus rapidly become an NGO to reckon with as well as a major catalyst in building bridges between the peoples and the cultures of the Kingdom of Morocco and the United Kingdom.

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H.E. HYDON WARREN GASH, British Ambassador to Morocco

I have great pleasure in contributing to this, the first Moroccan British Society newsletter.

The Moroccan British Society is young in years, but not in ideas. When I first arrived as British Ambassador in Morocco, two and a half years ago, it was hardly more than a gleam in the eye. Today, it is a fully-fledged association, with a distinguished membership in Morocco and in the UK. Its achievements include, notable, the setting up of the King Mohammed VF Fellowship in Moroccan and Mediterranean Studies at \$t\$. Antony's College, Oxford. The establishment of the MBS website marks another big step forward.

That so much has happened so quickly is due, above all, to the dynamism and dedication of Her Highness Ialia Journalia. As the Moroccan British Society President, she has worked trielessly to bring people together, and to turn ideas into practical reality. She has my fullest admiration.

The MBS has come into existence to fill an important gap. As cultures, we still know sadly little about each other. There is much that the MBS and its members can do to bridge that divide. The Society has, absolutely rightly in my view, focussed on the fields of education and culture. These are key areas, too often left on the sidelines of traditional diplomacy. The Society is uniquely well placed to carry forward exciting new schemes and ideas in these domains, reflecting shared interests and values but also, importantly, looking to the future, and to what we can do, together, to build better understanding.

I wish the MBS and this newsletter every success. It can continue to count on my fullest support.

British Embassy in Rabat 17, Boulevard de la Tour Hassan. BP 45, Rabat Tel.: + 212 37 23 86 00 ••• promote, and assist the exchange of academics and students by facilitating their recruitment, their reception and stay within institutions of higher education in each of the two countries, namely by granting them scholarships.

All these actions which aim at improving mutual understanding will be strengthened by the MB through the organization and sponsoring of seminars, work sessions, conferences allowing Moroccan and British people to meet and that of cultural events allowing artists from the two countries to meet each other, and present their works in public within the framework of festivals.



These proximity actions will be relayed by the edition and publication of newsletters - such as the present one - to inform a wider public and by the publication and dissemination of books in all fields, likely to help develop a better knowledge of contemporary authors in each country, and create or participate in the creation of cultural centres or libraries, which would be stocked with reference books of each culture.



And last but not least, the MBS will act in a broader scope by encouraging initiatives that aim at promoting British-Morocco relationship in general. The MBS will thus allocate an annual prize to reward Moroccan or British citizens whose works are likely to reinforce cooperation between the two peoples and also create partnership relations, in cooperation with official and private organizations working towards a similar objective.

### An organization dedicated to success

Achieving these goals requires not only clear definition but also a strong leading and active management team. Thus the MBS is composed of a multidisciplinary team consisting of a board of members and a council both organized around an active president, HH Princess Lalla Journala Alaoui, The board of the MBS is composed of both distinguished Moroccan and British members well known for their activities in the educative, economic and social fields. It consists of 16 members elected by the General Assembly. A council of 3 members, in addition to the President, supervises the work done by the management board.

No doubt the strengths and skills of this team will allow the MBS not only to achieve its initial mission but also develop other social and educative aims, by sponsoring and taking in charge new projects between the United Kingdom and the kingdom of Morocco in the years to come. ●





## Creation of

## the Mohammed VI Fellowship

The Moroccan British Society and Oxford University sign an agreement for the creation of the "His Majesty King Mohammed VI Fellowship in Moroccan and Mediterranean Studies" at the University of Oxford.

Moroccan British Society will prove a most worthy and effective bridge fostering dialogue and understanding between the United Kingdom, the Kingdom of Morocco and the region as a whole".

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It was a unique moment that was shared both by Moroccan and British personalities on October the 11th, 2004 during the reception given on the occasion of the creation of the His Majesty King Mohammed VI Fellowship. A strong moment in over four centuries of Moroccan-British relations.

The ceremony began with the presentation of the members of the MBS and the Oxford delegation to HRH Prince Moulay Rachid by HH Lalla Journala - President of the associa-



tion - who gave special thanks to His Maiesty.

#### Main duties of the His Majesty King Mohammed VI Fellow

- . Teach various courses on Morocco and the Mediterranean region.
- Supervise research undertaken by Oxford students interested in Morocco and the Mediterranean.
- Conduct advanced research and publication in Moroccan and Mediterranean studies.
- Promote Moroccan British relations through the organization of cultural and scientific events.

It was then followed by addresses from major political and academic actors involved in HM King Mohammed VI Fellowship.

Sir Marrak Goulding (see interview p8), Warden of Saint Antony's College, Oxford, Chris Patten,



MICHAEL WILLIS
H.M. King Mohammed VI Fellow
in Moroccan & Mediterranean Studies

I am a native Brit who is returning home after having taught at a university in Morocco for the last seven years. I started academic life primarily as an historian studying Modern History and International Relations at Reading University followed by an MA in International History at the LSE. Several years away from study, including one travelling abroad, sparked my interest in the contemporary non-European world. That, together with international events, developed into an interest in the Islamic world and eventually led me to enrolling for a Ph.D. in Middle East Politics.

I chose Algeria for my thesis research and focused on the Islamist movement. But in the early 1990s, it became extremely difficult to perform research in Algeria. And in 1997, the opportunity of living and working in the Maghreb came with a post teaching political science at Al Akhawayn University in Ifrane.

Academically, I enjoyed being able to teach and discuss politics with North Africans on a daily basis. Living in an Arab country during the events of September 11, the second Palestinian initidad and the invasion of Iraq also brought me closer to an understanding of the internal dynamics of a region that has found itself at the centre of world attention. Living in Morocco also allowed me to focus my research more on Morocco.

I am delighted to have been appointed to the new Fellowship in Moroccan and Mediterranean Studies because it enables me to maintain my links with Morocco whilst at the same time being able to expand and develop my own scholarship and teaching at such a renowned institution as the Middle East Centre and in such a stimulating and pleasant environment as Oxford. My only regret is not being able to bring the Moroccan climate with me: in Moroccan Arabic, London (and Britain more generally) is referred to as \*The City of Clouds».

Chancellor of the University of Oxford, and Prime Minister Tony Blair all insisted - either in person or through messages addressed during the reception - on the creation of the Fellowship as a major step in the reinforcement and the development of the long relationship existing between Morocco and the United Kingdom.

By granting His name to the Fellowship, His Majesty King Mohamed VI is sending a strong message not only to the academic community but also to political and business circles. Indeed, in addition to scientific and academic exchanges and cooperation, Morocco and the United Kingdom will be able, by creating a fruitful dialogue, to develop a better understanding of each other's culture.

The creation of the fellowship was also encouraged by British Prime Minister, Tony Blair who declared: "...! have no doubt that this initiative of the Moroccan British Society will prove a most worthy and effective bridge fostering dialogue and understanding between the United Kingdom, the Kingdom of Morocco, and the region as a whole."

Led by Dr Michael Willis, the HM King Mohammed VI Fellow in Moroccan & Mediterranean Studies, the fellowship will be organized around a multidisciplinary teaching program including a series of conferences and seminars, some of which will include the active participation of the Moroccan British Society.

#### Teaching: lectures, tutorial courses and theses supervision

HM King Mohammed VI Fellowship will be part of the Middle East Centre at Saint Antony's College, Oxford and will focus on Morocco, North Africa and the Mediterranean.

It will contribute also to other areas and fields taught at the Middle East Centre and more generally the "The new Fellowship enables us to turn our universities into gateways for the exchange of knowledge and understanding between our societies"

Chris Patten

University of Oxford, at both the undergraduate and postgraduate levels. For the Academic Year 2004-05, Dr Willis will give a lecture series on the 'Comparative Politics of Morocco and North Africa' in the Michaelmas (autumn) term. He will

follow this up with a tutorial course on the same theme for interested students from the M. Phil in Modern Middle Eastern Studies during the Hilary (spring) term. Dr Willis will also contribute to the lecture and tutorial courses on the Politics of the Middle East and the International Relations of the Middle East during the academic year. The scope of activities of the fellowship will also include supervision of both master's and doctoral research theses. This programme will be developed and reinforced through seminars and conferences on Moroccan and Mediterranean themes.

#### A wide program of seminars and conferences

Starting from the Hilary term 2005, Dr Willis will organize a series of seminars with high-profile guest speakers on a weekly basis. Ranging from politicians and diplomats from the Maghreb to academics who research and write about the region, the speakers' interventions will shed light on the "The Maghreb and the Wider World". Guest speakers include George Joffe, Ahmed Osman, Hassan Abouyoub and Rahma Bourgia.

#### Interview



#### SIR MARRACK GOULDING Warden of Saint Antony's College

Interviewed by "L'Économiste" on October 2004, Sir Marrack Goulding explained how the idea of creating the Fellowship was born and the opportunities it will provide for both Morocco and the United Kingdom. Extracts...

#### Why a Fellowship in Moroccan and Mediterranean Studies at Oxford University?

The idea originated with my colleagues in the Middle East Centre of St Antony's College, which is part of the University of Oxford. We were conscious of a gap in our studies, as we have a large number of academics specialising in the Machrek, but few having a considerable knowledge of the Maghreb. Fortunately, we were able to establish a fruitful relationship with Morocco and with the Moroccan British Society, and it was for this reason that we have created a Fellowship within Saint Antony's College. Through the Society we were able to hold lengthy discussions with the Moroccan authorities, who finally granted us a donation of 24 million dirhams. We then appointed Professor Michael Willis to the fellowship, as he has extensive knowledge of Morocco having already taught at Al Akhawayn University in Ifrane. Dr. Willis has already set up a programme for students opting for Moroccan studies and will begin his activities as Fellow this month. It is extremely important for the European countries to establish intellectual contacts with North Africa, the Machrek and Turkey, for it is clear that the EU has a great deal of interest in all the events taking place in these regions. I believe that these studies at Oxford will facilitate closer relations between Europe and its neighbours on the other side of the Mediterranean.

#### What is the scientific importance of the Fellowship?

I believe that wider knowledge will be beneficial both to Europe and to the Mediterranean countries, for the greater our understanding of each other, the greater the benefit. We have received a Moroccan donation in order to create the Fellowship; for our part, we will offer scholarships for Moroccan students who wish to continue their studies in England. This is to be an exchange between our two countries so as to create improvemed understanding between us.

#### Raising funds to develop ambitious actions

"The establishment of the H.M. King Mohammed VI Fellowship in Moroccan and Mediterranean Studies is the most exciting development in the recent history of the Middle East Centre at Saint Antony's College". Through this statement, Dr. Eugene Rogan, Fellow of the Middle East Centre in Saint Antony's College expressed his excitement for the project. As a major event in the modern history of The Middle East Centre, the fellowship aims to provide the opportunity for talented students to access its program.

The Fellow will, therefore, work closely with the MBS and the Moroccan Embassy to assist in raising funds to provide for a scholarship program that will bring outstanding Moroccan students to Oxford for postgraduate studies. The objective is to be able to raise sufficient funds to launch the scholarship program in October 2006. The MBS is to play an important role in raising funds for the fellowship.

An agreement signed on October 2004 with Saint Antony's College clearly lays down stipulations for the distribution and raising of funds in the following articles:

Article 1: The MBS shall make available an endowment of £1.5 million to support the establishment of His Majesty King Mohammed VI Fellowship in Moroccan and Mediterranean Studies.

Article 2: Saint Antony's College will use the returns to hire a permanent Fellow to teach courses, research topics, and supervise students in the area of Moroccan and Mediterranean Studies.

Article 3: Both the MBS and Saint Antony's College will work towards raising funds to provide scholarships to support students interested in the programme.

Article 4: MBS transferred the endowment funds on June 5th, 2004 and Saint Antony's College appointed Dr. Michael Willis to take the Fellowship starting October 1st, 2004.

#### A Royal Occasion in Morocco



The high point of the official launch of the Mohammed VI Fellowship was a reception given by the Royal palace in Rahat on October the 11th, 2004. Sir Marrack Goulding, together with Eugene Rogan, Foulath Hadid, and the new Fellow, Michael Willis, travelled to Morocco to attend it. During the ceremony, an official agreement was signed in the presence of HRH Prince Moulay Rachid, representing

the King. Sir Marrack Goulding signed on behalf of St Antony's and H.H. Princess Lalla Journala signed for the MBS. The agreement included a commitment by St Antony's to work with the MBS and the Moroccan Embassy in London in a combined effort of role money for scholarships that will enable Moroccan students to pursue their studies in the United Kingdom. At the closure of the ceremony, individuals who had made important contributions to the development of relations between the two countries and the establishment of the new Fellowship were decorated by His Royal Highness Prince Moulay Rachid. Those decorated were the Warden of St Antony's, Sir Marrack Goulding and MBS members Mr. Frank Law, Mr. Derek Conway, Mr. Anthony Bailey and Mr. Foulath Hadid, who was present in his double capacity of Honorary Fellow of St. Antony's and member of the MBS.

The event received international press coverage and the ceremony in the Royal Palace was the highlight of two days of celebration.

This financial mobilization added to the ambitious teaching programme and to the political and academic will behind the creation of the HM King Mohammed VI

Fellowship are proof of its importance. The fact that His Majesty has granted his name to the fellowship gives all its dimension to its creation, and emphasizes a strong desire to reinforce the friendship between the Kingdom of Morocco and
the United Kingdom which will
build, "a secure foundation which
enables us to work together to create new bonds between our two
countries" as was declared by
Chris Patten, Chancellor of Oxford
University. •



Fellow of the Middle East Centre at St. Antony's College

The establishment of the H.M. King Mohammed VI Fellowship in Moroccan and Mediterranean Studies in 2004 was a historic milestone in over four centuries of Moroccan-British relations. This new post is the first chair dedicated to the study of a North African state in the United Kingdom.

In establishing the King Mohammed VI Fellowship, the MBS concluded a cooperation agreement that binds the Society to the Middle East Centre through a series of ambitious initiatives. The agreement sets a common goal for the MBS and Oxford to raise funds to establish a scholarship programme to enable talented scholars from the Kingdom of Morocco to pursue postgraduate studies in any field at Oxford. The Middle East Centre and the MBS also plan to work together to promote greater knowledge of the Kingdom of Morocco in Britain through conferences, seminars and lectures by distinguished speakers. The Middle East Centre Fellows look forward to developing their exchanges with colleagues in Moroccan universities, both in Morocco and in Britain. For all these reasons, we view the establishment of the King Mohammed VI Fellowship in Moroccan and Mediterranean Studies to be the most exciting development in the recent history of the Middle East Centre.



# Saint Antony's College\*

With 8 centres, Saint Antony's is the most international of the seven graduate colleges of The University of Oxford.

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ounded in 1950 as the result of the gift of Antonin Besse of Aden, a merchant of French descent, Saint Antony's College opened its doors to its first students in Michaelmas Term 1950 and received its Royal Charter in 1953.

The first Warden of the College was Sir William Deakin (1950-68), a young Oxford academic who in the Second World War became an adventurous soldier and aide to Winston Churchill. Sir Raymond Carr (1968-87), a distinguished historian of Spain, expanded the College and its regional coverage and opened its doors to visiting scholars from all over the world.

Then Sir Ralf Dahrendorf (later Lord) (1987-97) came to St



Antony's after a distinguished career as a social theorist and politician in Germany, a European Commissioner and Director of the London School of Economics.

He further enlarged the College and developed its role as a source of policy advice. The present Warden, Sir Marrack Goulding served in the British Diplomatic Service for 26 years before becoming an Under Secretary-General at the United Nations. His appointment underlined the inter-

\*With the participation of Dr Rogan, Director of the Middle Fast Centre national nature of the College and its links with government and business.

Nowadays, Saint Antony's enjoys an international reputation for scholarly excellence and engagement in the contemporary world. The College frequently hosts heads of government, policy makers, opinion shapers and leading academics in its lectures and seminars.

The College attracts outstanding postgraduate students from around the world specializing in the social sciences and regional studies. There are on average some 250 students from over 40 countries registered at any given time.

Academically, the college specialises in international relations, economics, politics and history of particular parts of the world - Europe, Russia and the former Soviet states, Africa, Japan, China, South and South East Asia and Latin America and now the Middle East.

The Middle East Centre - founded in 1957 and directed by the late Albert Hourani- played a dominant role in establishing Middle Eastern studies in Oxford.

#### About the Middle East Centre

The Middle East Centre of St Antony's College is the centre for the interdisciplinary study of the modern Middle East in the University of Oxford. In 1957, the Centre was founded to promote scholarship and knowledge on the Middle East and North Africa. Under the stewardship of the late Albert Hourani the Centre emerged as one of the premiere research and teaching institutes on the modern Middle East. The Centre library comprises some 40,000

volumes, including extensive holdings on Morocco and the Mediterranean world. The Centre also houses an important archive of private papers and historic photographs. In 2004, the creation of the HM King Mohammed VI fellowship in Moroccan and Mediterranean studies enlarged the program and classes of the Middle East Centre of Saint Antony's by opening it to study of the Maghreb.

It placed the study of Morocco and the Mediterranean world in its broadest international setting. The King



Mohammed VI Fellowship bridges two of the Faculties of Oxford -Oriental Studies, connecting the study of Morocco to the Arabic language and the world of Islam, and Politics, where Morocco and the Mediterranean world are studied in comparative perspective with other parts of the world.

Its establishment has expanded the permanent faculty of the Centre from five to six. Fellows include: Dr Walter Armbrust, Centre Director, who teaches social anthropology and is a specialist on Egypt; Dr Celia Kerslake, who teaches Turkish language and culture; Dr Philip Robins, a specialist in the politics and international relations of the Middle East; Dr Eugene Rogan, who teaches the modern history of the Middle East;

and Professor Avi Shlaim, an expert on Arab-Israeli relations. The community of the Centre also includes research fellows working on Iran, Israel and the Sudan, and visiting fellows from Iran, Israel and Turkey.

#### The other centres

The other centres of greatest value for the new fellowship are the European Studies Centre and the African Studies Centre, whose regions overlap directly with the world of Morocco and the Mediterranean basin. Centre Fellows teach and conduct research in the humanities and social sciences with direct reference to the Arab world, Iran, Israel and Turkey, with particular emphasis on the nineteenth and twentieth centuries.

#### Degrees at Saint Anthony's College

The College applicants should normally have a first degree in one of the following subjects: history, politics, international relations, economics, economic history, sociology, philosophy, language and literature, geography, social anthropology. The college offers different degrees:

- . Master of Letters (M.Litt.)
- . Doctor of Philosophy (D.Phil.)
- Master of Philosophy (M.Phil.)
   Master of Science (M.Sc.)
- Master of Studies (M.St.)

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## Latest

#### News

ioint seminar on "Moroccan British relations". @

● Prime Minister Driss Jetton meets MBS chapter in London during his visit at the invitation of the British government on 29-30 November 2004. The talks were centered on ways to reinforce relations between Morocco and the United Kingdom. © The MBS has agreed with the British library to conduct a feasibility study for an exhibit of the manuscripts of the Holy Books (Ahl Al-Kitaah) to take place in London. ● MBS meets Mr Mohamed Benaissa, Minister of Foreign Affairs and Mr Habib Malki, Minister of Education. Ways and means to foster relations between the two Kingdoms were discussed, especially as they pertain to culture, education and business. ● MBS meets UK Ambassador, HE Warren Gash. The emphasis was put on the organization of a