

INVITATION

Dear Friends and Colleagues,

After three years of common efforts we are happy to invite you to the opening of the Suq al-Haraj restoration project in Tripoli. As cooperation of the Lebanese Ministry of Culture, the Directorate General of Antiquities (DGA), the German Foreign Ministry, the German Embassy, and the Orient-Institut Beirut, this unique monument was scientifically restored between 2003 and 2005. The Municipality of Tripoli supported this project and contributed to its success.

The opening of Suq al-Haraj will be combined with the start of a new lecture series on German Archaeology in the Middle East, a cooperation of the Orient-Institut Beirut and the German Archaeological Institute (DAI) in Damascus.

The planned program is divided by primarily the official opening of Suq al-Haraj in Tripoli on Thursday, 29th of September, followed by public lectures at the Orient-Institut Beirut on Saturday, 1st of October.

PROGRAM

Thursday 29th of September

Opening of Suq al-Haraj

Location: Suq al-Haraj in Tripoli

- 11:00 – 11:45 Opening
Director OIB, Manfred Kropp
Director DGA, Frédéric Husseini
Mayor of Tripoli, Rashid al-Jamali
German Ambassador, Marius Haas
Lebanese Minister of Culture, Tareq Mitri
- 11:45 – 12:15 Presentation of the project
Michel Daoud / Antoine Fichfich / Stefan Weber

Saturday 1st of October

Public Lectures "German Archaeology in the Middle East" / Official Reception

Location: Orient-Institut Beirut

- 18:00 – 18:15 Opening of a series of lectures on German Archaeology in the Middle East: Frédéric Husseini and representatives of DAI and OIB
- 18:15 – 19:00 Magarete van Ess:
Baalbeck, Roman City and Sanctuary. The Development of an Archaeological Settlement between the 8th Millennium BC and the Ottoman Period.
- 19:00 – 19:45 Andreas Schmidt-Colinet:
Palmyra, New Archaeological Research.
- 19:45 – 20:00 Break
- 20:00 – 20:15 Welcome by Manfred Kropp and the German Ambassador Marius Haas
- 20:15 – 21:00 Michel Daoud / Antoine Fichfich / Stefan Weber
Suq al-Haraj and its restoration



Suq al-Haraj (2002)



Suq al-Haraj (2005)