Spaces of Participation: Topographies of Social and Political Participation in Morocco, Egypt, and Palestine
First Training Workshop: Methodologies of Qualitative Research in the Social Sciences
Convened by Forum for the Study of Popular Culture
Conducted by: Azzurra Sarnataro, Researcher in urban studies at University of Rome (La Sapienza)
Venue: British Council in Cairo
February 21-3, 2015

Workshop Programme

Day 1 Saturday Feb. 21 2015 (Qualitative Research: Its Birth and the Birth of Different Approaches) - Room 2.3

10:00- 10:30  Introduction to the Workshop

10-30-12:30  Session 1  (Tea and Coffee will be served)

  (Hammerseley-Atkinson, "What is Ethnography?")

- How the Disciplines Were Born: From Colonialism to Post-colonialism
  (The Anthropology of Colonialism)

12:30-13:30  Lunch (Garden)

13:30-15:30  Session 2  (Tea and Coffee will be served)

- "Emic" and "Etic."
  (Harris 1976)

- Malinowski’s Diaries and the Debate in Social Sciences

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Day 2 Sunday Feb. 22 2015 (Methodology of Qualitative Research) - Room 2.2

10-30-12:30  **Session 3**  (Tea and Coffee will be served)

- Why Qualitative? The Qualitative Approach
  (*Qualitative Research Methods for the Social Sciences* - Chapter 1)

- Is there a Method? From Methodological Schools to Ground Theory
  (*Russell Research Method in Anthropology* - Introduction)

- Issues of Fieldwork-Based Research
  (*Qualitative Research Methods for the Social Sciences* - Chapters 6, 7 and 9)

- Other Material: Audiovisual, Pictures, Documentaries

12:30-13:30  **Lunch (Garden)**

13:30-15:30  **Session 4**  (Tea and Coffee will be served)

- Positionality or Relativism: Geertz and the "Thick Description"
  (Geertz' Thick Description)

- Organising Collected Data. Situational Analysis
  (Clarke 2003)

Day 3 Monday Feb. 23 2015 (Qualitative Research and the City) - Room 2.3

10:30-12:30  **Session 5**  (Tea and Coffee will be served)

- Life and Death of American Cities: Jane Jacobs and the First Critique of Planning
  (Jane M. Jacobs, *The Death and Life*)

- Space is Not Empty: Questioning Maps, Space/Place, Time
  (Michel de Certeau)

- Qualitative (and) Planning: Why?
  (Lisa Peattie, Qualitative)

- Planning and Informality: The Debate from the Global South. Searching for New Categories?
  (Roy, Comaroff, Robinson, Watson)

12:30-13:30  **Lunch (Garden)**

13:30-15:30  **Session 6**  (Tea and Coffee will be served)

- Reflections on specific research projects

18:30  **Dinner**  (Felfela- 15 Hoda Saharawi Street, Downtown)

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