

9th Gulf Astronomy Colloquium
الملتقى الفلكي الخليجي التاسع

UAE University – March 28, 2009
Al-Multaqa, Islamic Institute

Final Program

Morning Session: Professional Talks

- ▶ 8:45 -9:00 **Opening Words**
- ▶ 9:00 -9:20 **Talk 1:** What is Known about Shock Acceleration – **Abdelhaq Hamza (American Univ. Sharjah)**
- ▶ 9:20-9:40 **Talk 2:** The FR1/FRII Classification of Extragalactic Radio Sources – **Ilias Fernini (UAEU)**
- ▶ 9:40-10:00 **Talk 3:** Dark Flow, a Possible Gateway to a Parallel Universe – **Shawqi Al-Dallal (Bahrain Univ.)**
- ▶ 10:00-10:20 **Talk 4:** Rebuilding the Iraqi National Astronomical Observatory (INAO)– **Hamid Al-Naimiy (Univ. of Sharjah)**

BREAK = 10:20 -10:40 *Coffee Break (Astronomy Photo Exhibition – Al-Multaqa)*

- ▶ 10:40-11:00 **Talk 5:** The Missing Host Galaxies of (many) Gamma-Ray Bursts – **Nidhal Guessoum (AUS)**
- ▶ 11:00-11:20 **Talk 6:** Correlation of Observed Parameters of Short Gamma-Ray Burst Host Galaxies – **Walid Azzam (Bahrain Univ.)**
- ▶ 11:20-11:40 **Talk 7:** The Dark Side of our Universe - **Salah Nasri (UAEU)**
- ▶ 11:40-12:00 **Talk 8:** Simulating the Universe with GPUs – **Saleh Shidhani (SQU, Oman)**

- ▶ 12:00-13:00 **Special DVD Presentation:** 400 Years of the Telescope

LUNCH & PRAYER = 13:00 – 14:00 *(Multaqa Cafeteria Room) (Astronomy Photo Exhibition – Al-Multaqa)*

Afternoon Session: Main Theme IYA 2009

- ▶ 14:00-14:15 **Talk 1:** Dubai Astronomy Group Contribution to IYA 2009 – **Hasan A. Al-Hariri (DAG, UAE)**
- ▶ 14:15-14:30 **Talk 2:** Astronomy from the Amateur's Eyes – **Mohamed A. Al-Radwan (Qatif Club, SA)**
- ▶ 14:30-14:45 **Talk 3:** Teaching Astronomy to High School Students – **Abdu Arishi (Samtah Club, SA)**
- ▶ 14:45-15:00 **Talk 4:** Benevolent Social Work and its Impact on the Development of Astronomy – **Mona Anber (Kuwait)**
- ▶ 15:00-15:15 **Talk 5:** GCC Astronomical Youth Camp – **Hamad Al-Ghareeb (GOYS, Bahrain)**

BREAK = 15:30-16:00 *Coffee Break (Astronomy Photo Exhibition – Al-Multaqa)*

- ▶ 16:00-16:15 **Talk 6:** Lunar Craters with Arabic Names – **Abdullah Al-Eyadhi (Qatif Club, SA)**
- ▶ 16:15-16:30 **Talk 7:** Qatif Astronomical Society IYA 2009's Activities – **Ali A. Jaber (Qatif Club, SA)**
- ▶ 16:30-16:45 **Talk 8:** Astronomical Instrumentations Invented by Muslims and Used in Gulf Maritime - **Hamid Al-Naimiy (Univ. of Sharjah)**
- ▶ 16:45-17:00 **Talk 9:** Introduction to Astronomy – **Abdulhameed Yami (SA)**
- ▶ 17:00-17:15 **Talk 10:** Mobile Observatory – **Nazar Salman – (EAS, UAE)**
- ▶ 17:15-18:00 **Closing Ceremony: Comments, Suggestions, Distribution of Certificates**