

## GUEST LECTURE

# Orientalism in and from Latin America: A Historiographical Approach regarding Islam



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*Artwork: La perla del mercader (1884) by Alfredo Valenzuela Puelma (1856–1909), Museo Nacional de Bellas Artes, Chile.*

## ■ ABSTRACT

**S**tudies on Orientalism are currently flourishing in Latin America. These works have sought to propose, from a Latin American perspective, approaches that explain the longevity of Orientalism as both an analytical framework and a colonial practice.

The “Oriental” was already a topic of discussion before the formulation put forth by Edward Said in his 1978 book *Orientalism*; however, following the publication of this work, it gradually made its way onto the agenda of area studies and even beyond in the subcontinent. This lecture aims to delve deeper into that trajectory from a historiographical outlook.

*“Explaining the longevity of Orientalism as both an analytical framework and a colonial practice from a Latin American perspective.”*