

The German Orient-Institute of Beirut Sends its Interns to LERC

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The Orient-Institute of Beirut, as part of its mandate to support young academic researchers and its cooperation with numerous academic institutions across the Middle East, sent two students, Ms. Monika Spottl and Ms. Anastasia Stratschha to take a tour of LERC and look for material for their respective papers.

Ms. Spottle, a student in Arabistics and Islamic Studies from Austria, is completing her internship at the Orient-Institute while attending the University of Vienna. Ms. Stratschha is an Islamic Studies student from Marburg, Germany, who is also completing the same internship along with her colleague while attending the Phillips Universitat of Malburg. Ms. Stratschha expressed her interest to know more about Islam and the Lebanese in the Ivory Coast, a matter Ms. Liliane Haddad, Chief indexer and archivist at LERC, was able to help her with.



Ms. Haddad, Ms. Stratschha, and Ms. Spottl at LERC offices (Feb, 2014)

Following their tour of the center, as well as their inquiries to Ms. Haddad, the students were escorted to the university publishing office in order to purchase one of LERC's books, "The Lebanese in the Ivory Coast: 1900-1986" (in Arabic). They were then escorted to the LERC Nucleus Museum, and were given a tour of LERC's different exhibited collections.

The two ladies upon their return to the center after their tour wrote in LERC's Golden Book that they "hope to come back again".