

## Seteney Shami: Associate Editor



**Seteney Shami** is an anthropologist from Jordan with degrees from the American University in Beirut and the University of California, Berkeley. After teaching and setting up a graduate department of Anthropology at [Yarmouk University](#), Jordan, Seteney moved in 1996 to the regional office of the Population Council in Cairo as director of the Middle East Awards in Population and the Social Sciences (MEAWards). She has also been a visiting Professor at UC Berkeley, Georgetown University, University of Chicago, Stockholm University and the Swedish Collegium for Advanced Study in the Social Sciences (Uppsala). In July 1999, Seteney joined [the Social Sciences Research Council](#) in New York as program director for the program on the Middle East and North Africa, as well as the Eurasia program.

Seteney has conducted fieldwork in Jordan, Turkey and most recently in the North Caucasus. Her research interests center around issues of ethnicity and nationalism in the context of globalization, urban politics and state-building strategies, and population displacement and trans-national movements. Her publications include a co-authored book *Women in Arab Society: Work patterns and Gender relations in Egypt, Jordan and Sudan* (Berg, 1990); an edited volume on *Population Displacement and Resettlement: Development and Conflict in the Middle East* (CMS, 1994) and on *Amman: The City and its Society* (CERMOC, 1996). Her most recent articles include "Prehistories of Globalization: Circassian Identity in Motion" in *Public Culture* (Special millenium issue) and "Towards an Ethnography of Governance: Urban Spaces and Identities in the Middle East" In R. Stren and P. McCarney, eds. *Governance on the Ground*.

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