

<b>Research Title</b>	<b>The Battle of Stilo (٣٧٢ A.H./ ٩٨٢ A.D.), The German-Islamic Encounter in Southern Italy.</b>
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<b>Abstract</b>	<p>The German - Islamic Encounter in Stilo, ٢٠ Muharram ٣٧٢ A.H. / ١٥ July ٩٨٢ A.D, was resulting of international circumstances, which was represented in: Islamic conquest for Byzantine territory in southern Italy.</p> <p>The German desire for expansion at the Byzantine <i>Themes</i> in southern Italy, under the argument of the absence of Byzantine force about those lands, and the eligibility of Otto II in his wife's dowry, the Byzantine Theophano in territory of southern Italy. The Byzantine busy in Asia Minor and Balkans to do its duty toward the Byzantine Empire in southern Italy, whether against Muslims or Germans. But this battle showed the weakness which the German army had it, for the following reasons: The disharmony of the German army and the length of the war line from northern to southern Italy. The German army's staying far from Germany and northern Italy, and Lack of the experience of the German Emperor in the management of the battle. The Germans did not got used to fight at high temperatures, especially the dry Mediterranean climate in summer</p>
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