MIDDLE EAST DIALOGUE 2013 (MED13)

BEYOND THE ARAB SPRING: NEW DIRECTIONS IN THE MIDDLE EAST

Whittemore House
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OPENING REMARKS
Paul J. Rich, PhD, President, Policy Studies Organization (PSO), Washington, DC
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KEYNOTE ADDRESS - 9:30 AM Auditorium
Alon Ben Meir, PhD, New York University (NYU)

PANEL SESSIONS

SESSION I
ARAB SPRING 1
10:30 – 11:50 AM
Pub Room

The Wall of Fear and the Intelligence Apparatus in Syria, by Radwan Ziadeh, PhD, Visiting Scholar, Harvard University, Kennedy School of Government, Syrian Center for Political & Strategic Studies, Cambridge, MA

Arab Spring and Modernization of Islam by Susmit Kumar, PhD Pennsylvania State University, President, Kumar Consultancy (View Bio)

Under New Management: What the Arab Spring Tells Us About Leadership Needs in the Middle East and North Africa, by Peter Mameli, PhD, Associate Professor, Dept. of Public Management, John Jay College of Criminal Justice

SESSION II
INTERFAITH & ETHNIC DIALOGUES 1
10:30 – 11:50 AM
Library
Christian-Muslim Relations in Egypt in the Wake of the Arab Spring by Paul Rowe, PhD, Associate Professor and Chair, Department of History, Geography, and Political and International Studies- Trinity Western University (View CV)

Coptic Ethnological Mobilization on the Road to and Beyond the January 25 Revolution by Ali Zeynel Gokpinar, M.A., Dept. of Coexistence and Conflict, Brandeis University.

Re-approaching-- Not Merely Reproaching-- Religious Sectarianism within a Tumultuous Middle East, by Andrew M. Wender, JD, PhD, University of Victoria

SESSION III
IRAN
10:30 – 11:50 AM
1870s Room

The Iranian Opposition: MEK, the Politics of Resistance, and a New Direction in Iran, by Ivan Sascha Sheean, PhD, Graduate Program Director and Assistant Professor- School of Public and International Affairs, University of Baltimore (View Bio) (View CV)

Iran and the Syrian Crisis: Policies, Problems and Prospects by Maysam Behravesh, PhD Candidate, Lund University, Sweden

The Role of Economic Sanctions in Deterring Serious Human rights Violations in Iran, by Amir Fakhravar, PhD, The Institute of World Politics (IWP), Washington, DC

TBA, Maryam Abolfazil, Middle East North Africa Director, Eurasia Foundation

SESSION IV
ARAB SPRING 2
12:00 – 1:20 PM
Pub Room

New Directions in the Middle East “Ignorance, Lobby Power, and the Formulation of U.S. Foreign Policy in the Middle East – The Need for a National Dialogue,” by Lawrence Davidson, PhD, Professor of History, West Chester University (View Bio)
Democracy and Islamist violence: Lessons from post-Mubarak Egypt, by Jerome Drevon, PhD, Durham University

Civil Society in the Arab World: Case Study of the Muslim Brotherhood in Egypt, by Hend Eltaweel, MA, American University in Cairo (AUC)

SESSION V
WOMEN’S RIGHTS
12:00 – 1:20 PM
1870s Room

Agential Egyptian Feminism, Translation and Movement: Imagining the new Egypt, by Maria Frederika Malmström, PhD, School of Global Studies - University of Gothenburg and Nordic Africa Institute, Uppsala

Working with Patriarchy: Strategies for Women’s Empowerment in Comparative Perspective by Alessandra Gonzalez, PhD Post-Doctoral Research Associate - John Jay College, CUNY (View Bio)

Women’s Rights in the Post-Arab Spring Era, by Aylin Unver Noi, PhD Assistant Professor- Department of International Relations- Gedik University (View CV)

The Paradoxical Status of Women in Israel, by Michal Allon, PhD, Faculty of Social Science at Tel Aviv University, Israel.

SESSION VI
ISRAEL AND PALESTINE 1
1:30 – 2:50 PM
Pub Room

The Basis of China's Pro-Palestine Stance and the Current Status of Implementation, by Yiyi Chen, PhD, Professor and Director of the center for Middle Eastern peace studies at Shanghai Jiatong University, Shanghai and Director of the Institute of Hebrew and Jewish Studies at Peking University, Beijing, China Studies, and Editor-in-Chief of the Journal of Sino-Western Communication

How to Identify the Pieces of Puzzles to Perceive the 'Bigger Picture' - the attainment of peace in the Middle East, by Pervez Mohsin, Lecturer, Department of Sciences & Humanities, National University of Computer & Emerging Sciences, Karachi, Pakistan
Towards Resolution of the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict, by Jerome Segal, PhD, Director of The Peace Consultancy Project - University of Maryland

SESSION VII
POLICY AND POLITICS 1
1:30 – 2:50 PM
Library

Middle East Union (MEU): A Futuristic Approach by Alan L. Moss, PhD, Senior Consultant - Employment Research Corporation (View CV)

September 11: A Decade Later - Toward a Nonviolent, Pluralistic Middle East by Amitai Etzioni, PhD, Professor of International Relations - George Washington University (View Bio)

Non-Inclusive Economic Growth and the Built Environment in the Arab Middle East: A Precursor to the Arab Spring? by Bessma Momani, PhD, Associate Professor, Balsillie School of International Affairs - University of Waterloo (View Bio)

SESSION VIII
TURKEY
1:30 – 2:50 PM
1870s Room

The Late Justice and Development Party in Turkey: Towards Alter-Kemalism by Eylem Akdeniz, PhD, Assistant Professor, Istanbul Kemerburgaz University, Department of Political Science and Public Administration.

In Between the Glorious Past and Wounded Self Image: What Does Turkey Have to Offer for the Middle East? by Bahar Senem Çevik-Ersaydi, PhD. Assistant Professor, Ankara University Center for the Study and Research of Political Psychology
The Palestinian Reconciliation and the Peace Process: a Post Arab Spring View. by Ido Zelkovitz, PhD, Department of Middle Eastern History- University of Haifa, Israel (View CV)

"Sidelining the Hardliners: A '2+1 State Solution' For Palestine" A Basis for Roundtable Discussion of Alternative Frameworks for Israeli-Palestinian Peace by Chris Ferrero, PhD, Whitehead School of Diplomacy and International Relations (View Bio)

Israel After the Elections: Any Chance for the Peace Process? by, Josef Olmert, Ph.D Adjunct Professor, School of International Affairs- South Carolina

SESSION X
POLICY AND POLITICS 2
3:00 – 4:20 PM
Library

Agreeing to Kick the Can down the Road the future of domestic politics in the Middle East? by Eric Bordenkircher ABD, UCLA

Juvenile Death Penalty in Islamic Countries: The Road to Abolition is Paved with Paradox, by Sanaz Alasti, PhD, Lamar University, Texas


SESSION XI
SOCIOLOGY
3:00 – 4:20 PM
1870s Room

A Global Awakening: Developing a Consensus Paradigm through a Common Language of Normative and Compassionate Justice. by Robert Crane, PhD, Professor- Qatar Faculty of Islamic Studies

"God Save the King?" The Evolution of Protest in Jordan in Light of the Arab Spring by Sarah Tobin, PhD, Mellon Post Doctoral Fellow in Islamic Studies, Department of Anthropology - Wheaton College
Egyptian AUC Undergraduate Students Optimism for the Future: An Introduction to the Study by Abigail Appleton, MA and Hillery Roach, MA, American University in Cairo.

END PROGRAM

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