

Alumni at the MESA Annual Meeting in Boston, MA – November 17-20, 2016

This year, 18 MENA Workshop alumni (including fellows and co-leaders) have been invited to present or discuss their research and/or chair a panel at the Middle East Association's Annual Meeting in Boston. Congratulations to:

Friday

Friday, November 18; 10:00 – 11:45am

[P4407] Experimental Methods in the Middle East

- Discussant: **Luai Allarakia** (2015)
- *The effect of international involvement on state-society relations: the case of the Palestinian Territories;* **Dana El Kurd** (2016)

Friday, November 18; 10:00 – 11:45am

[P4597] Mass Displacement and Struggles over Identity in the Contemporary Middle East

- Chairs: **Augustus Richard Norton** (2016) and **Denis J. Sullivan** (2016)
- *Statelessness through state-building: the impact of identity management upgrades on displaced populations in the UAE;* **Noor Lori** (2016)

November 18; 1:45 – 3:30pm

[R4300] Ethics of Researching Middle East Politics (Roundtable)

- Participant: **Amaney Jamal** (2013)

Friday, November 18; 3:45 – 5:30pm

[P4362] The Causes and Consequences of Political Participation and Social Movements in the Middle East

- Chair/Discussant: **Amaney Jamal** (2013)

Friday, November 18; 1:45 – 3:30pm

[P4532] Probing the Process: Beyond Outcomes-Based Studies of Contentious Politics

- *When cooptation fails: the spatial dynamics of protest and repression in Bahrain;* **Trevor Johnston** (2015)
- *Outsmarted, co-opted, and repressed: understanding the Moroccan monarchy's strategic manipulation of protesters;* **Yasmina Abouzzohour** (2016)

Friday, November 18; 1:45 – 3:30pm

[P4622] Shifting Patterns of Authoritarianism and Democratization

- *Rigging democracy: maintaining power through authoritarian electoral institutions in Jordan;* **Kristen Kao** (2015)

Friday, November 18; 5:45 – 7:30pm

[P4625] Egypt after January 25, 2011

- *Egyptian youth: a retreat to abstention?* **Somaia M. El Sayed** (2014)
- *Ruling elites, producing Islam and transition predicament in Egypt;* **Shimaa Hatab** (2016)

Saturday

Saturday, November 19; 8:00 – 9:45am

[P4486] Gulf Politics beyond Rentierism

- *Tribalism and hydrocarbon wealth: examining dynamics of the rentier bargain in Kuwait;* **Courtney Freer** (2015)

Saturday, November 19; 10:00 – 11:45am

[S4710] Explaining Divergent Outcomes: The Arab Spring Five Years On (Special Session)

- Participant: **Amaney Jamal** (2013)

Saturday, November 19; 2:00 – 3:45pm

[P4569] Political Dissent and Activism in Post-Arab Spring Egypt

- *Youth Collective Agency in the aftermath of Egypt's "coup-volution;"* **Nadine Sika** (2013)

Saturday, November 19; 4:00 – 5:45pm

[P4660] Gender and Conflict: Activism, Resilience, and Disengagement

- *Packing relations: a case study on young refugee women's capability to form social capital;* **Zeynep Balcioglu** (2016)

Sunday

Sunday, November 20; 8:00 – 9:45am

[P4670] Tunisia's Democratic Transition: Progress and Challenges

- Chair: **Fred H. Lawson** (2014)

Sunday, November 20; 10:00 – 11:45am

[P4375] The Shi'a of Lebanon: New Approaches to History, Politics, and Religion

- Discussant: **Augustus Richard Norton** (2016)

Sunday, November 20; 12:00 – 1:45pm

[P4365] Borders and Boundaries in the Mashreq

- *The issue of borders and sovereignty in the Islamist thought from the early years to the present times: illustrating the path towards democratization through Islamist thinkers' production on geopolitics;* **Mohamed-Ali Adraoui** (2015)

Sunday, November 20; 12:00 – 1:45pm

[P4621] Authoritarianism: Persistence and Resistance

- *When tolerance matters most: transforming political culture following authoritarian breakdown;* **Youssef Chouhoud** (2016)

Sunday, November 20; 2:00 – 3:45pm

[R4332] Bleak Prospects? Tourism, Travel, and Heritage in an Era of Regional Upheaval (Roundtable)

- Participant: **Sandrine Gamblin** (2016)

Sunday, November 20; 2:00 – 3:45pm

[P4688] Issues in the Ottoman Empire: Boundaries, Belonging and the Ottoman Way

- Chair: **Fred H. Lawson** (2014)