APSA MENA Workshops
Political Science in the Arab Middle East & North Africa

MENA Alumni at the 2021 MESA Meeting
September 30 – October 3 | Seattle, Washington

Twenty-two MENA Workshops alumni, including fellows and co-leaders, presented their research and/or served as a discussants at the 2021 APSA Annual Meeting.

Mon, September 27, 9:00 to 10:00am PDT
Virtual workshop: The Importance of Developing Ties between Political Science Associations
Presenter: **Helen Milner (2013),** Princeton University

Tue, September 28, 10:00 to 11:30am PDT
The State and Traditional Governance Nexus: Empirical Evidence from Africa
Discussant: Kristin Kao (2015), University of Gothenburg

Corruption
Presenting Co-author: **Barry Maydom (2015),** Birkbek College, University of London, *Remittances and Bureaucratic Corruption*

Wed, September 29, 10:00 to 11:30am PDT
The Structure of Armed Groups
Discussant: **Kristin Kao (2015),** University of Gothenburg

Theory and Practice of Foreign-Policy Relevant Research
Discussant: **Fabiana Perera (2015),** William J. Perry Center for Hemispheric Defense Studies

Politics of Pre-distribution and Redistribution
Presenting Co-author: **Barry Maydom (2015),** Birkbek College, University of London, *Migration, Remittances and the Fiscal Contract*

Thu, September 30, 8:00 to 9:30am PDT
Populism, Pluralism, Patriotism: Migration Management & Political Change
Presenting co-author: **Osman Balkan (2021 co-leader),** *A Matter of Life & Death: Necropatriotism & Diaspora Engagement During COVID-19*

How Campaigns Shape Voters
Presenting Co-author: **Lucas Leeman (2013)**, University of Zurich*, Referendum Campaigns and Values*

Gender, Crisis and Political Power
Chair: **Aili Tripp (2019 co-leader),** University of Wisconsin, Madison
Discussant: **Rachel Brule (2019 co-leader),** Boston University

Political Economy of Globalization in South Asia
Presenting Co-author: **Helen Milner (2013),** Princeton University**,** *Who Supports Globalization and Why the Formal-Informal Worker Divide*

Fri, October 1, 8:00 to 9:30am PDT
Situating the Lebanese Uprising: Revolution, Transformation, and (De)Mobilization
Presenter: Jillian M. Schwedler **(2021 co-leader),** Hunter College

Innovations in MENA Survey Research in the Age of COVID
Presenting Co-author: **Nermin Allam (2013),** Rutgers University, *Research and Scholarship During the COVID-19 Pandemic*
Presenting Co-author: **Justin Gengler (2015),** Qatar University Kafala, *COVID-19 and Gulf Citizen Attitudes Toward Foreign Workers*

Immigrant and Refugee Incorporation in Turkey
Chair: **Kristin Kao (2015),** University of Gothenburg

Migration and the Covid-19 Crisis
Presenting Author: **Amir Abdul Reda (2018),** Mohammed VI Polytechnic*, Curbing Xenophobia? Testing the Contact Theory Through COVID 19's Mobility Curbs*

Gender and Authoritarian Politics: A Comparative Perspective
Presenting Author: **Aili Tripp (2019 *co-leader*),** University of Wisconsin, Madison, *Why Autocracies in Africa Adopt Women's Rights?*

Diplomacy and Conflict in the Middle East
Presenting Author: **Dana El Kurd (2016),** University of Richmond, *Support for Violent versus Non-Violent Strategies in the Palestinian Territories*

Advances in the Study of Gender Inequality in Politics
Presenting co-author: **Rachel Brule (2019 co-leader),** Boston University*, Proxy Politics: Representation and Political Inequality in Rural India*

Sat, October 2, 8:00 to 9:30am PDT

Gender Quotas, Women's Political Participation, and Leadership
Discussant: **Rachel Brule (2019 co-leader),** Boston University

Governance, Law, and Conflict: Legal Pluralism in Post-Conflict Settings
Non-presenting co-author: **Kristin Kao (2015),** University of Gothenburg, *The Limits of Legitimacy: Legal Pluralism in Iraq*

Clientelism and Formal Political Institutions in Developing Countries
Non-presenting co-author: **Kristin Kao (2015),** University of Gothenburg, *Signal of Strength? Clientelism and Expectations of Politicians' Performance*
Presenting Author: **Zeynep Balcioglu (2016),** Northeastern University, *Stretching the Limits of Authority: Why Do Local Governments Cater for Refugees?*

Conflict Processes
Discussant: **Dana El Kurd (2016),** University of Richmond, *Domestic and International Reverberations of Proliferation*

Interrogations of Citizenship and Nationality in the Global South
Presenting Author: **Noora Lori (2016 Co-leader),** Boston University, *Mobility Diplomacy: How States in the Global South Maximize Passport Power*

Refugees and Local Politics
Chair: **Noora Lori (2016 Co-leader)**, Boston University

Sun, October 3, 8:00 to 9:30am PDT

International Politics and the Role of Ideology in Revolutions
Presenting Author: **Parichehr Kazemi (2021),** University of Oregon, *Hostility Is Not Destiny: The Iranian Revolution and the United States*

Buying Influence: Political Economy of Lobbying and Campaign Contributions
Presenting Co-author: **Nolan McCart (2013),** Princeton University, *Economic Concentration and Political Advocacy, 1999-2017*

Trade Agreements, Negotiations, and Institutional Design
Presenting Co-author: **Lucas Leeman (2013)**, University of Zurich, *PTA Negotiations, Institutional Design, and Uncertainty*

Authoritarian Durability & Adaptability
Chair: **Barry Maydom (2015),** Birkbek College, University of London

Securitization and Insecurity in the Middle East and North Africa
Discussant: **Samer Abboud (2020 co-leader),** Villanova University

Presenting Author: **Fouad Touzani (2020),** Sidi Mohammed Ben Adbullah University, *The US Inconsistent Foreign Policy and its Impact on the MENA Region's Insecurity*

Presenting Author: **Nahrain Rasho (2020)**, University of California, Davis, *Kurdish Regional Autonomy and Local Ethnic Conflict in Iraq*

Presenting Author: **Haidar Reda (2020),** Chiba University, *Securitize Sectarian Differences in Post-2003 Iraq: Mobilization of the Religious Rhetoric by the Political Leadership*

Presenting Author: **Sean Lee (2020),** American University in Cairo, *How Bashar al-Asad Learned to Stop Worrying and Love the "War on Terror"*