

2022 Gulf Research Meeting

14th-16th July 2022 University of Cambridge

Workshop No. 4

Economic Statecraft, Coercion, and Resilience in the Gulf

Workshop Schedule

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Friday, 15 July 2022

9:00:9:15	Introduction
9:15-10:00	Karen Young, Hasan Alhasan, Camille Lons: Presentation of the workshop's conceptual framing and presentation of respective research projects on Gulf economic statecraft.
10:00-10:45	Tobias Zumbraegel, Sebastian Sons: "Greening Development Assistance in the Gulf: Sustainability Capacity Development as Constituent Soft Policy Fields in Saudi Arabia, Qatar, Kuwait and the United Arab Emirates' Policymaking"
	Discussants: Yesar Al Maleki, Umud Shokri
10.45-11.15	Coffee break

Umud Shokri: "Regional Architecture in the Saudi Arabia Energy Transition: Challenges and Opportunities at the Current Crossroads" Discussants: Yesar Al Maleki, Tobias Zumbraegel
Yesar Al Maleki: "A Look Back at 2020: GCC Covid-19 Response, Reforms, Energy Transition Concerns & Micro- Competitiveness"
Discussants: Umud Shokri, Tobias Zumbraegel
Lunch break (lunch is served at 13.00, please make sure to be there on time as it will roughly be a 15/20 minutes walk to King's College)
Rachid Aziz Faridi, Rakshanda Fazli: "Interplay of Integration of Migrants and Resilience of Cities in GCC Countries" Discussant: Mazharul Islam
Mazharul Islam: "Demographic Transition and the Emerging Demographic Dividend in Oman: Is the Country Moving on the Right Path to Reap the Benefits?"
Discussant: Rachid Aziz Faridi, Rakshanda Fazli
Coffee break
All Participants Wrap-up session and discussion

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Saturday, 16 July 2022

09:00-09:15	Workshop Summary of Day 1
09:15-10:00	Haifa Almaashi: "DP World as UAE economic statecraft and the process of political bargaining"
	Discussants: Erhan Akkas
10:00-10:45	Erhan Akkas, Sekip Yazgan: "How to Move to the Next Stage in the Investment Development Path of the GCC Countries?"
	Discussants: Haifa Almaashi

10.45-11:15 Coffee break

11:15-12:00 **Kumar Priya Ranjan:** "Redrafting Gulf Statecrafts: Exploring for Peace or preparing for War?"

Discussants: Firdous Ahmed, Mate Szalai

12:00-12:45 **Mate Szalai:** "The conceptualisation and evaluation of Gulf states' economic activity in post-2003 Iraq – A Gramscian Perspective"

Discussants: Firdous Ahmed, Kumar Priya Ranjan

- 12:45-14:30 Lunch break (lunch is served at 13.00 at Corpus Christi)
- 14:30-15:15 **Firdous Ahmed:** "Limits Of Gulf Economic Statecraft: Lessons From The Arab Spring"

Discussants: Kumar Priya Ranjan, Mate Szalai

15:15-16:00 **All Participants** Wrap-up session and discussion

16:00-16:30 Coffee break

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