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April 15 - 16, 2016
Encina Hall
616 Serra Street Stanford University

FRIDAY APRIL 15, 2016

7:45 am: Shuttle from Crowne Plaza to Encina Hall

8:00 am–8:30 am Breakfast and Welcoming Remarks

GRADUATE STUDENT WORKSHOP

8:30 am–10:30 am Regime Types and Their Consequences

Chair: Saumitra Jha (Stanford University)

Egor Lazarev (Columbia University)

Legacies of War and Preferences for Alternative Legal Systems in Chechnya

Michael Poyker (UCLA)

Regime Stability and Persistence of Traditional Health Practices

10:00am–10:15 am Break

10:15 am–12:30 pm Political Instability

Chair: Cihan Artunç (University of Arizona)

Sharan Grewal and Steve Monroe (Princeton University)

The Biggest Loser: Founding Elections and Disillusionment with Democracy in Egypt and Tunisia

Emine Deniz (New York University)

Relative Deprivation Theory Revisited: Theory and Evidence from Kurdish Insurgency in Turkey

Peter Schram (Stanford University)

Managing Terror

12:30 pm–2:00 pm Lunch

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2:00 pm - 3:30 pm Economic Modernization

Chair: Lisa Blaydes (Stanford University)

Mohamed Saleh (Toulouse School of Economics)

The Cotton Boom and Slavery in Nineteenth-Century Rural Egypt

Cihan Artunç (University of Arizona)

Firm Organization and Partnership Mortality in Egypt between 1910 and 1949

3:30 pm–4:00 pm Break

4:00 pm– 5:30 pm Public Opinion

Chair: Amaney Jamal (Princeton University)

Lauren Prather (UCSD) and Sarah Bush (Temple University)

Foreign Economic Partners and the Determinants of Mass Attitudes towards Open Economic Engagement in Tunisia

Daniel Corstange (Columbia University)

Sectarian Framing in the Syrian Civil War

6:30 pm Dinner at Burma Ruby

9:00 pm Shuttle from Burma Ruby to Crowne Plaza Hotel

SATURDAY APRIL 16, 2016

7:45 am: Shuttle from Crowne Plaza to Encina Hall

8:00 am - 8:30 am Breakfast

8:30 am–10:00 am Religious Authority

Chair: Tahir Andrabi (Pomona College)

Rich Nielsen (Massachusetts Institute of Technology)

Constructing Authority in Islam

Thomas Pepinsky (Cornell University)

Measuring Piety in Indonesia

10:00 am–10:30 am Break

10:30 am–12:00 pm Long Term Economic Development

Chair: Timur Kuran (Duke University)

Eric Chaney (Harvard University)

Measuring the Intellectual Divergence of Western Europe and the Islamic World: 800-1800

Murat İyigün (University of Colorado, Boulder) and Jared Rubin (Chapman University)

On the Foundations of Ideological and Institutional Evolution

12:00 pm–2:00 pm Lunch

2:00 pm–3:30 pm Connections and Public Goods

Chair: Asim Khwaja (Harvard University)

Erik Meyersson (Stockholm School of Economics) and Esra Çeviker Gürakar (Okan Üniversitesi)

State Discretion, Political Connections and Public Procurement: Evidence from Turkey

Fotini Christia, Dean Knox (Massachusetts Institute of Technology) and Jaffar Al-Rikabi (Harvard University)

Networks of Sectarianism: Experimental Evidence on Access to Services in Baghdad

3:30 pm–4:00 pm Break

4:00 pm–6:15 pm Identity, Attitudes and Behaviors

Chair: Kevan Harris (UCLA)

Sarah Mansour, Mazen Hassan (Cairo University) and Rebecca Morton (NYU)

Political Polarisation and Support for Reform: Experimental Evidence from Egypt

Saumitra Jha (Stanford University) and Moses Shayo (Hebrew University of Jerusalem)

Sharing in Peace: The Effects of Financial Market Exposure on Votes and Political Attitudes

Alessandra González (University of Chicago)

Complicating Returns to Investment in Education: Female Education and Labor Force Participation in Gulf Cooperation Council Countries

6:45 pm Shuttle from Encina Hall to Anatolian Kitchen

9:00 pm Shuttle from Anatolian Kitchen to Crowne Plaza Hotel