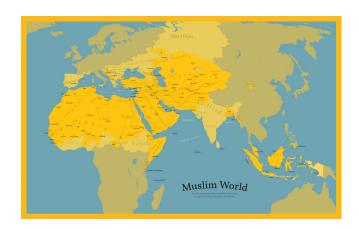


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Day 1: Friday, April 9, 2021

Graduate Student Workshop

All times listed are Eastern Daylight Time

9:00am Graduate Workshop Opening Remarks: Fotini Christia (MIT)

9:10am Graduate student workshop: Religion and Conflict

Chair: Fotini Christia (MIT)

Mohammad Isaqzadeh (Princeton University). "Reassessing the Relationship Between Religiosity and Political Violence: Evidence from Afghanistan."

Yusuf Magiya (Columbia University). "The Paradox of State Building: How Diversity Constrains Development and Dominant Groups Shoulder the Tax Burdens."

10:10am Break

10:20am Graduate student workshop: Influence and Cooptation

Chair: **Jean-Paul Carvalho** (University of California, Irvine)

Lydia Assouad (Paris School of Economics). "Charismatic Leaders and Nation Building."

[5 min break]

Daniel Tavana (Yale University) and **Erin York** (Harvard University). "Cooptation in Practice: Measuring Legislative Opposition in an Authoritarian Regime"

[5 min break]

Ahmed Ezzeldin Mohamed (Columbia University). "Religious Cycles of Government Responsiveness: Why Governments Redistribute in Ramadan?"

12:00pm Lunch (with virtual gatherings)

Conference on the Political Economy of Muslim Societies

1:00 pm Conference Opening Remarks: Timur Kuran (Duke University)

1:05pm Collective Action

Chair: **Timur Kuran** (Duke University)

Saumitra Jha (Stanford University) and **Rikhil Bhavnani** (University of Wisconsin). "Walking Together and Alone: Why Nonviolent Protests Fail and How To Make Them Work."

Sarah Mansour (Cairo University), **Stefan Voigt** (University of Hamburg), **Engi Amin** (Cairo University), and **Mazen Hassan** (Cairo University). "Using Discourse to Incentivize Cooperation in Arab-Muslim Culture: Experimental Evidence from Egypt."

2:15pm Break

2:25pm Cronyism and Corruption

Chair: Tom Pepinsky (Cornell University)

Cihan Artunç (Middlebury College) and **Mohamed Saleh** (Toulouse School of Economics). "Political Connections and Corporate Performance: Evidence from Interwar Egypt."

Faisal Ahmed (Princeton University) and **Adeel Malik**. (University of Oxford) "Crony Globalization: The Politics of Partial Liberalization in Muslim Societies."

3:35pm End of Day 1

Day 2: Saturday, April 10, 2021

9:30am Political Conflict and Violence

Chair: Amaney Jamal (Princeton University)

Rafat Mahmood (University of Western Australia) and **Michael Jetter** (University of Western



Australia). "Gone with the Wind: The Consequences of US Drone Strikes in Pakistan." [5 min break]

Erin Walk (MIT), Kiran Garimella (MIT), Elizabeth Parker-Magyar (MIT), Ahmet Akbıyık (Harvard University), and Fotini Christia (MIT). "Social Media Narratives on Conflict from northern Syria."

[5 min break]

Allison Hartnett (University of Southern California) and Mohamed Saleh (Toulouse School of Economics). "The Intra-Elite Conflict and the Demand for Democratization: Evidence from Khedival Egypt."

11:25am Break

11:30am Human Capital

Chair: **Tahir Andrabi** (Pomona College)

Asim Khwaja (Harvard University). "Online Education Decisions during COVID-19 in Saudi Arabia"

Lisa Blaydes (Stanford University), **Justin Gengler** (Qatar University), and **Noora Ahmed Lari** (Qatar University). "Cultural Constraints to Female Labor Force Participation: Gender, Family, and Employment in Qatar"

12:40pm Lunch

1:40pm Islamist Politics

Chair: Richard Nielsen (MIT)

Sharan Grewal (College of William and Mary). "The Islamist Advantage: The Religious Infrastructure of Electoral Victory."

Steven Brooke (University of Wisconsin) and **Neil Ketchley** (University of Oslo). "Islamist Rhetoric and Political Mobilization"

2:50pm Closing Remarks: Richard Nielsen (MIT)

2:55pm End of Conference





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