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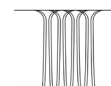
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# AALIMS-Princeton

## Conference on the Political Economy of the Muslim World

## Day 1: April 8, 2022

### STUDENT WORKSHOP

#### 8:00-8:30 BREAKFAST AND REGISTRATION

#### 8:30-10:45 Political Behavior

Chair: **Faisal Z. Ahmed** (*Princeton University*)

**Tiffany M. Simon** (*Princeton University*)  
“Policies of Happiness and Citizen Response in Gulf Authoritarian States”

**Ameni Mehrez** (*Central European University*)  
“When Right is Left: Values and Voting Behavior in Tunisia”

**Daniel Tavana** (*Yale University*)  
“Endogenous Opposition”

#### 10:45-11:00 BREAK

#### 11:00-12:30 The Political Economy of Media

Chair: **Dana Burde** (*New York University*)

**Safaa Al-Saeedi** (*Northwestern University and Harvard University*)  
“What Determines Who Controls the Media in Saudi Arabia?”

**Fatih Serkant Adigüzel** (*Duke University and Harvard University*)  
“Favor Exchanges and Pro-Government Media Bias”

#### 12:30-2:00 BOXED LUNCH

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#### 2:00-3:30 Functions of Religion

Chair: **Lisa Blaydes** (*Stanford University*)

**Jeanet Sinding Bentzen** (*University of Copenhagen*) and **Güneş Gökmen** (*Lund University*)  
“The Power of Religion”

**Fatih Serkant Adigüzel** (*Duke University and Harvard University*) and **Timur Kuran** (*Duke University*)  
“The Islamic Waqf: Instrument of Unequal Security, Temporal and Posthumous”

#### 3:30-4:00 BREAK

#### 4:00-5:30 Global Economic Patterns

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

**Lisa Blaydes** (*Stanford University*)  
“Old World Trade Diasporas”

**Amaney Jamal** (*Princeton University*)  
“The Global Segregation of the Poor”

## Day 2: April 9, 2022

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#### 8:30-9:00 BREAKFAST

#### 9:00-10:30 Identities

Chair: **Güneş Gökmen** (*Lund University*)

**Thomas Pepinsky** (*Cornell University*) and **Risa Toha** (*Yale-NUS College*)  
“The Political Construction of Indigeneity: Theory and Evidence from Indonesia.”

**Aslı Cansunar** (*University of Washington*) and **Tuğba Bozçağa** (*Kings College, London*)  
“The Education Dilemma: Favoring the In-Group or Assimilating the Out-Group?”

#### 10:30-11:00 BREAK

#### 11:00-12:30 Transitions

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

**Killian Clarke** (*Georgetown University*), **Chantal Berman** (*Georgetown University*) and **Rima Majed** (*American University of Beirut*)  
“Revolutions in Flawed Democracies: The Lebanese Thawra and Iraq’s Tishreen Uprising in Comparative Perspective”

**Saad Gulzar** (*Stanford University*), **Tanushree Goyal** (*Harvard University*) and **Feyaad Allie** (*Stanford University*)  
“The Cultural Impacts of Salient Political Events”

#### 12:30-2:00 BOXED LUNCH

#### 2:00-3:30 Gender Gaps

Chair: **Thomas Pepinsky** (*Cornell University*)

**Steve Monroe** (*Yale NUS College*) and **Jasmine Bhatia** (*SOAS University of London*)  
“Insecurity and Support for Female Leadership in Conflict-Prone States: Evidence from Afghanistan”

**Djavad Salehi-Isfahani** (*Virginia Technical University*) and **Sara Taghvatalab** (*Christopher Newport University*)  
“Electrification and the Closing of the Gender Gap in Education in Rural Iran”

#### 3:30-4:00 BREAK

#### 4:00-5:30 Households and Perceptions

Chair: **Saad Gulzar** (*Stanford University*)

**Tahir Andrabi** (*Pomona College*)  
“Family Formation, Migration and Work: Results from the LEAPS Long Term Household Survey (2003-2018)”

**Amaney Jamal** (*Princeton University*), **David Romney** (*Brigham Young University*), and **Dustin Tingley** (*Harvard University*)  
“What Affects Attitudes towards US-centered Conspiracy Theories in the Arab Middle East?”