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2022 Gulf Research Meeting

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University of Cambridge

Workshop No. 2

Gulf States and the Indo-Pacific: Agents or Objects of Geopolitical Competition?

Workshop Schedule

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Friday, 15 July 2022

9:00-9:15	Introduction
9:15-10:00	Paper One [Jeffrey Payne]: "Gulf States and Indo-Pacific Reluctance: An Examination of Maritime Security, Information Sharing, and the Long-Term Security of the Gulf Region" Discussant: Guy Burton (V)
10:00-10:45	Paper Two [Guy Burton (V)]: "The Faces of Indo-Pacific Power in the Gulf" Discussant: Jeffrey Payne
10.45-11.15	Coffee break

11:15-12:00	<p>Paper Three [Nursin Atesolglu Guney, Ali Bakir, Visne Kokmaz (V)]: “New Geopolitics of Gulf-Indo-Pacific Connection: What the Ambitious Gulf States are Heading for?”</p> <p>Discussant: Albert Vidal</p>
12:00-12:45	<p>Paper Four [Md. Muddassir Quamar (V)]: “Locating Indo-Pacific in Gulf States’ Relations with India”</p> <p>Discussant: Nursin Atesoglu Guney (V)</p>
12:45-14:30	<p>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)</p>
14:30-15:15	<p>Paper Five [Albert Vidal]: “Securitizing the Indo-Pacific: Comparing Saudi and Emirati Security Cooperation”</p> <p>Discussant: Md. Muddassir Quamar (V)</p>
15:15-16:00	<p>Paper Six [Mohamed Al Hajri]: “Oman between India and China: Strategic Hedging amid Rising Competition in the Indo-Pacific”</p> <p>Discussant: Matthew Gray (V)</p>
16.00-16:30	<p>Coffee break</p>
16:30-17:15	<p>Paper Seven [Matthew Gray (V)]: “Hedging, Balancing, or Choosing? Indo-Pacific Rivalry, the Rise of Minilateralism, and the Arab Gulf States”</p> <p>Discussant: Mehmet Rakipoglu</p>
17:15-18:00	<p>Paper Eight [Mehmet Rakipoglu]: “Through Asymmetric Hedging: Saudi Arabia’s Alliance Choice”</p> <p>Discussant: Mohamed Al Hajri</p>

CLOSING GRM 2022 DINNER JULY 15TH 19:00 (BST) AT KING’S COLLEGE

Saturday, 16 July 2022

09:00-09:15 **Workshop Summary for Day 1**

09:15-10:00 **Paper Nine**

[Tim Bettis]: “After Al Ula: Gulf Arab Foreign Policy towards Southeast Asia in the Wake of the 41st GCC Summit”

Discussant: Muhammad Zulfikar Rakhmat (V)

10:00-10:45 **Paper Ten**

[Muhammad Zulfikar Rakhmat (V)]: “Cultural Relations between Indonesia and the Gulf States under President Joko Widodo’s Administration, 2014-2022”

Discussant: Tim Bettis

10.45-11:15 Coffee break

11:15-12:00 **Paper Eleven**

[Farkhod Aminjonov (V)]: “ Geopolitics of Energy Transition: Re-Defining the Role of the Gulf in the Indo-Pacific”

Discussant: Joshua Snider

12:00-12:45 **Paper Twelve**

[Joshua Snider]: “Beyond Arabisation: Nusantara and Arabian Gulf States in the Post-Arab Spring Era”

Discussant: Farkhod Aminjonov (V)

12:45-14:30 Lunch break (lunch is served at 13.00 at Downing College)

14:30-15:15 **Discussion: Trends in research presented, paths to publication, etc...**

15:15- Coffee break

END OF WORKSHOP