

Workshop No. 12

**The Gulf and the Horn of Africa: Trans-Regional
Competition and Cooperation**

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Wednesday, July 12th, 2023 (DAY 1)

9.00-9.15 Introduction

9:15-9:45 **Aleksi Ylönen**
United States International University (Nairobi)
Kenya

Governing the Horn: The Agency-Structure Dilemma, Domestic
Rivalries, and Local Power in the Horn of Africa-Gulf Relations
Discussant: Chuchu Zhang

9:45-10:15 **Nazar Hilal**
Qatar University
Qatar

Regional Cooperation between the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC)
and the Horn of Africa (HoA): Assessing the Challenges
Discussant: Gafar Karar Ahmed

10:15-10:45	<p>Long Ding Shanghai International Studies University China</p> <p>The Evolving Roles of the Gulf States in the Horn of Africa <i>Discussant: Talmiz Ahmad</i></p>
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10:45-11:15	Coffee Break
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11:15-11:45	<p>Gleb Doroshenko Independent Researcher; Higher School of Economics Russia</p> <p>The Gulf and the Horn of Africa: Comparative Analysis of the Strategies of the UAE, Saudi Arabia and Qatar <i>Discussant: Song Niu</i></p>
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11:45-12:15	<p>Viktor MARSAL & Erzsébet N. RÓZSA National University of Public Service Hungary</p> <p>The Late-comer Friend - Iranian Interests in the Horn of Africa <i>Discussant: Tim Niblock</i></p>
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12:15-12:45	<p>Sara Bazoobandi & Hamid Talebian GIGA Institute, Hamburg Germany</p> <p>Iran-Israel's Rivalry in the Red Sea: Spill Over of the Mediterranean Proxy War? <i>Discussant: Degang Sun</i></p>
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12:45-14:30	Lunch
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14:30-15:00	<p>Degang Sun & Yahia Zoubir Fudan University; KEDGE Business School China; France</p> <p>Foreign Powers' Rivalries and the New Scramble for Bases in the Horn of Africa <i>Discussant: Aleksí Ylönen</i></p>
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15:00-15:30	<p>Xuming Qian Shanghai International Studies University China</p> <p>Big Power Rivalry in the Red Sea and Its Impact on Energy Security <i>Discussant: Gleb Doroshenko</i></p>

15:30-16:00	<p>Hichem Karoui Independent Researcher United Kingdom</p> <p>Impact of US-Russia Rivalry on the Horn of Africa <i>Discussant: Erzsébet N. RÓZSA</i></p>
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16:00-16.30	<p>Coffee Break</p>
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16:30-17.00	<p>Chuchu Zhang Fudan Universtiy China</p> <p>China and the Gulf in the Horn of Africa’s Infrastructure Market: Competition Ahead? <i>Discussant: Sara Bazoobandi</i></p>
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17.00-17.30	<p>K.M. Seethi Mahatma Gandhi University India</p> <p>India's Horn of Africa Policy: Emerging Ties with Djibouti and Implications for Regional Dynamics <i>Discussant: Fahad Alsharif</i></p>

Saturday, July 13th, 2023 (DAY 2)

9:15-9:45	<p>Shivali Lawale & Talmiz Ahmad Symbiosis School of International Studies India</p> <p>The Role of Small States in Power Contestations in the Horn of Africa Case Study of Djibouti <i>Discussant: Long Ding</i></p>
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9:45-10:15 **Gafar Karar Ahmed**
Shanghai International Studies University
China

Geopolitics of the Horn of Africa: The GCC and Arab Countries'
Stance on the Grand Ethiopian Renaissance Dam
Discussant: Xuming Qian

10:15-10:45 **Anwar Bashir**

The Intermittent Diplomatic Relationship between Somalia and
Ethiopia and its Implications for the Horn of Africa
Discussant: Nazar Hilal

10:45-11:15 Coffee Break

11:15-11:45 **Song Niu**
Shanghai International Studies University
China

Hajj Factor in Saudi Arabia and Somaliland Relations
Discussant: K.M. Seethi

12:00-13:30 **Lunch**

13:30-14:00 **Hend Sultan (Presented by Degang Sun)**
Egyptian Chinese University
Egypt

Conflict Resolution in Sudan and South Sudan: A Case of China's
Cautious and Active Mediation
Discussant: Chang Liu

14:00-14:30 **Chang Liu (Presented by Chuchu Zhang)**
China Institute of International Relations
China

The Cooperation between China and Gulf Arab Countries in the Horn
of Africa: From the Perspective of Multi-Tier Game

Discussant: Hichem Karoui

14:30-14:45 Coffee Break

14:45-15:45 Panel Discussion and Closing Remarks

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