Gulf Research Centre Cambridge
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Workshop No. 3

Perspectives on Hard Security Issues in the Gulf

Workshop Schedule

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Wednesday, 12 July 2023

9:00:9:15	**Welcome and introduction**
9:15-10:00	**Paper One** **Huda Ali (Giza University), Ahmed Abozaid (University of Southampton):** "Domestic Transformations, Societal Security, and Regional Security Architecture in the Gulf Region: Intersectional Analysis from the Bottom Up" Discussant: Alzarooni Najla, (Trends Research and Advisory Council)
10:00-10:45	**Paper Two** **Emma Soubrier, (PRISME Initiative):** "The Gulf Defence Industry, at the Cutting (H)Edge of Multi-Level Power Strategies" Discussant: Naser Alsayed (SOAS University of London)
10.45-11.15	Coffee break
11:15-12:00	**Paper Three**

	Kristian Coates-Ulrichsen (Rice University): "Biden, Afghanistan, and Ukraine: are U.S. – Gulf Security Relations Coming Back Together or Drifting Farther Apart?" Discussant: Andrea Plebani (Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore)
12:00-12:45	**Paper Four** **Tyler Parker (Boston College):** "Dealing with America's Decline: Distinct Defence Diversification in the GCC" Discussant: Rati Kvantaliani (Access Partnership)
12:45-14:30	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)
14:30-15:15	**Paper Five** **Huzeyfe Altiok (Georgia State University):** "Exploring the Limitations of the UAE's Hard Power" Discussant: Pourya Nabipour (University of Birmingham)
15:15-16:00	**Paper Six** **Pourya Nabipour (University of Birmingham):** How does the Ukraine conflict impact Iran? Discussant: Huzeyfe Altiok (Georgia State University)
16.00-16:30	Coffee break
16:30-17:15	**Remarks and discussion**
	END OF FIRST DAY

Thursday, 13 July 2023

09:00-09:15	**Welcome**
09:15-10:00	**Paper Seven** **Alzarooni Najla, (Trends Research and Advisory Council):** China's Competitive Coexistence in the Gulf Discussant: Huda Ali (Giza University), Ahmed Abozaid (University of Southampton)
10:00-10:45	**Paper Eight** **Rati Kvantaliani (Access Partnership):** Sino - Gulf Relations; Regional Security Transformation of the Gulf through Sino-Digitalisation

	Discussant: Tyler Parker (Boston College)
10.45-11:15	Coffee break
11:15-12:00	**Paper Nine** **Andrea Plebani (Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore):** Areas of limited statehood and the Gulf region: Diyala as a case study Discussant: Kristian Coates-Ulrichsen (Rice University)
12:00-12:45	**Paper Ten** **Naser Alsayed (SOAS University of London):** Water Security in the GCC: Governance, Vulnerabilities and Prospects Discussant: Emma Soubrier, (PRISME Initiative)
12:45-14:30	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)
14:30-15:15	**Conference wrap up: closing remarks, discussion and next steps, including publication options)**
	WORKSHOP ENDS
16:00-16:30	Coffee break

DINNER JULY 13TH 19:00 (BST) AT KING'S COLLEGE