



المركز العربي للأبحاث ودراسة السياسات
Arab Center for Research & Policy Studies

The Seventh Gulf Studies Forum

November 29 - December 3, 2020

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Timetable

Day One

Sunday, November 29, 2020

Register



ID: 867 5734 7467

16:00 – 17:00	Sovereign Wealth Funds and Investment Policies of the GCC States
	Opening Remarks and Public Lecture Chair: Marwan Kabalan Giacomo Luciani: Dilemmas of Sovereign Wealth Funds Management
17:00 – 17:15	Break
17:15 – 18:45	GCC - Iran Relations
	Session 2 Chair: Ghanim Al-Najjar Juan Cole: The Geopolitical Struggle between the GCC and Iran (2015-2020) Abdullah Mohammed al-Ghailani: GCC - Iran Relations: The Threat of Confrontations and the Need for Reconciliation Ross Harrison: The GCC versus Iran: Low Intensity War, High Intensity Conflict

Day Two

Monday, November 30, 2020

Register



ID: 893 8851 5887

<p>16:00 – 17:30</p>	<p>Sovereign Wealth Funds and Investment Policies of the GCC States</p> <hr/> <p>Session 1</p> <p>Chair: Hend Al-Muftah</p> <p>Khalid Al-Abdulqader: GCC Sovereign Wealth Funds: Experience and Wealth - Maximizing Strategies</p> <p>Nayef N. Alshammari: Sustainability and Challenges of Investment Policies for the GCC Sovereign Wealth Funds</p> <p>Sara Bazoobandi: Sovereign Wealth Funds and National Visions of the Arab Gulf States: Consolidation of Institutions and Accumulation of Assets</p>
<p>17:30 – 17:45</p>	<p>Break</p>
<p>17:45 – 19:15</p>	<p>GCC - Iran Relations</p> <hr/> <p>Session 2</p> <p>Chair: Yacoub Al-Kandari</p> <p>Mohammad Ghnem Al-Rumaihi: GCC - Iran Relations: Foundations and Future Prospects</p> <p>Gawdat Bahgat: Iranian Foreign Policy from Ahmadinejad to Rouhani</p> <p>Mohammad Ayatollahi Tabaar: Iran's Foreign Policy after Rouhani</p>

Day Three

Tuesday, December 1, 2020

Register



ID: 844 7915 1049

<p>16:00 – 17:00</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">GCC - Iran Relations</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Session 1 Public Lecture</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Chair: Abdullah Baabood Shireen Hunter: The Impact of Systemic Factors on Iranian-GCC Relations</p>
<p>17:00 – 17:15</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Break</p>
<p>17:15 – 18:45</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Sovereign Wealth Funds and Investment Policies of the GCC States</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Session 2</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Chair: Ohood Al Bulushi Faisal Al Monawer: The Governance of Sovereign Wealth Funds in the GCC Countries: A Proposed Model Julien Maire, Adnan Mazarei and Edwin M. Truman: The Sovereign Wealth Funds of the GCC Countries: Governance and Prospects Tamara Kamhawi Schulz: Gulf SWFs: Towards Cultural Governance</p>

Day Four

Wednesday, December 2, 2020

Register



ID: 892 9498 7353

16:00 – 18:00	<h3 style="color: #C8A23E;">GCC - Iran Relations</h3>
	<h4 style="color: #0070C0;">Session 1</h4> <p>Chair: Suhaim Al Thani</p> <p>Khalid Al Jaber: Future of the GCC - U.S Relations in the Post-Trump Era</p> <p>Nikolay Kozhanov: Iran-US Tension and Gulf Energy Security</p> <p>Mehran Kamrava: Institutions and Policy in Iran's Relations with the GCC</p> <p>Emad Y. Kaddorah: External Initiatives for Regional Security in the Gulf</p>
18:00 – 18:15	<h3 style="color: #000000;">Break</h3>
18:15 – 19:45	<h3 style="color: #C8A23E;">Sovereign Wealth Funds and Investment Policies of the GCC States</h3>
	<h4 style="color: #0070C0;">Session 2</h4> <p>Chair: Khalid Rashid Alkhater</p> <p>Dania Thafer: How Can SWFs Stoke Innovation & Diversification in the GCC?</p> <p>Yousuf Hamed Al Balushi: The Role of SWFs in Promoting the Local Private Sector and Attracting Foreign Investment (the Case of Oman)</p> <p>Nizar Jouini and Hela Miniaoui: SWFs and Soft Power: Political Economy of the Small Gulf States</p>

Day Five

Thursday, December 3, 2020

Register



ID: 897 6862 3804

<p>16:00 – 18:00</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">GCC - Iran Relations</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Session 1</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Chair: Mahjoob Zweiri</p> <p>Dhafer Al-Ajmi: Iran and the Arab Gulf States Competition Over New Iraq</p> <p>John Calabrese: The United States and the Gulf: Trapped in Transition</p> <p>Zahid Shahab Ahmed: Relations of the Gulf Cooperation Council States with Iran and the Pakistan factor</p> <p>Ali Fathollah-Nejad: The Rivalry Between Iran and the Gulf Cooperation Council: Background and Future</p>
<p>18:00 – 18:15</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Break</p>
<p>18:15 – 19:45</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Sovereign Wealth Funds and Investment Policies of the GCC States</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Session 2</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Chair: Sharifa Al-Yahyai</p> <p>Fahad Y. Al-Fadala and Mohammed Omar Batwaih: The Sovereign Financial Assets of the State of Kuwait: A New Perspective</p> <p>Lorans Al Hennawi: Gulf Sovereign Wealth Funds between Achieving Economic Transformation and Power Consolidation: The Case of Saudi Public Investment Fund</p> <p>Nabil Bouflih: The Adherence of the Gulf Sovereign Wealth Funds to the Santiago Principles of Governance: the Case of Abu Dhabi Investment Authority</p>