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Gulf Studies Forum

- Arab Gulf States and the Palestine Question
- The Gulf City as a Structure and Social Agent

30 November – 1 December 2024

Timetable

Day 1, Saturday, 30 November 2024

8:30-9:00	Registration	
9:00-9:30	Opening Remarks (Main Auditorium) His Excellency, Dr Mohammed bin Abdulaziz Al-Khulaifi Chair: Alanoud Al-Khalifa	
9:30-11:00	Arab Gulf States and the Palestine Question (Main Auditorium)	
	The Attitudes of the Gulf States toward the Palestine Question Chair: Ghanim Al-Najjar Abdul Aziz bin Othman bin Saqr: The Saudi Position on the Israeli War on Gaza and Its Determinants Abdullah Al-Ghailani: Palestine and the Gulf States: Multiple Approaches and Positions Sultan Al Khulaifi: Qatari Foreign Policy toward the Palestinian Question during the Rule of Sheikh Khalifa bin Hamad Al Thani (1972-1995)	
11:00-11:15	Coffee Break	
11:15-12:45	Arab Gulf States and the Palestine Question (Auditorium 2)	The Gulf City as a Structure and Social Agent (Meeting Room 003)
	The Gulf States and the Palestine Question: Trends and Models Chair: Hatim Al-Shanfari Asaad Saleh Al-Shamlan: "The Global Alliance for the Implementation of the Two-State Solution": A Reading of the Saudi Perspective on Solving the Palestine Question Shireen Mubarak: The Palestine Question in US-Saudi Relations 1933-1953 Hossam Elsayed Zaki Shalabi: The Trucial States, Oman, and the Palestine Question 1917-1948 "Indications of Early Gulf Interaction on the Matter"	The City and Nation-Building (1): The Saudi Case Chair: Saad Albazei Ulrike Freitag: Cities as Nodes of Identities: Some Considerations Alanoud Al-Khalifa: Memory, Trauma, and the Political Identity of the City: Diriyah as an Example Rufei Li: The Role of Urban Transformation in Saudi Nation-Building: The Case of <i>al-Balad</i> , Jeddah

12:45-13:45	Lunch Break	
13:45-15:15	<p>Arab Gulf States and the Palestine Question (Auditorium 2)</p>	<p>The Gulf City as a Structure and Social Agent (Meeting Room 003)</p>
	<p>The War on Gaza, the Day After, and the Future of US-Gulf Relations</p> <p>Gulf International Forum</p> <p>Chair: Dania Thafer</p> <p>Kristian Ulrichsen: The War on Gaza and the US Foreign Policy in the Gulf After the 2024 Presidential Election</p> <p>Mohammad Ghanem Al-Rumaihi: Challenges and Balances in Gulf-US Relations since the War on Gaza</p> <p>Inderjeet Parmar: Implications of US Election Results for the Gulf and Middle East</p>	<p>The City and Nation-Building (2): Khaliji Cases</p> <p>Chair: Amal Ghazal</p> <p>Sundus Al-Rashid: The Status of the Museum in the Contemporary Structure of the Gulf City: Between Urban Planning and National Symbolism, The Case of Kuwait</p> <p>Saoud Abdulaziz Al Ahmad, Amnah Abdullah Alshammari & Betul Uzun: Utilizing Space in Shaping National Identity in Qatar: A Case Study of Msheireb and Souq Waqif</p> <p>Djamel Bousaa: Urban Regeneration in a Global World: Cases from the Historic Cities in the Gulf and Arabian Peninsula: Dubai, Doha, and Jeddah</p>
15:15-15:30	Coffee Break	
15:30-16:45	<p>The Gulf City as a Structure and Social Agent (Meeting Room 003)</p>	
	<p>Urban Modernization Structures as a Social Agent</p> <p>Chair: Yagoub Al-Kandari</p> <p>Yasser Mahgoub: Transformative Gulf Cities: The Role of Urban Structures as Agents of Social Change in Kuwait and Doha</p> <p>Mahdi Laadhari: Modernization and its Urban Consequences: A Critical Review of the Academic Literature on the Kuwaiti Diwaniya</p>	
16:45-17:00	Coffee Break	

The Gulf City as a Structure and Social Agent (Meeting Room 003)

17:00-18:15

The Gulf City and Modern Urbanism

Chair: Abdulrahman Albaker

Daide Ponzini: Gulf Cities' Planning from a Transnational Perspective: Limitations and Opportunities for Critical Learning

Mustapha Ben-Hamouche: Fast Cities and Mega-Urbanism: Planning for Wealth, Welfare, and Well-Being in the Gulf City

Day 2, Sunday, 1 December 2024

<p>9:00-10:30</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Keynote (Main Auditorium)</p> <p>Nelida Fuccaro: The Literature and Life of Gulf Cities: Area Studies, Arabism, Westernism, and the Conundrum of the Global</p> <p>Yasser Elsheshtawy: Transience and Temporality in Arab Gulf Cities</p> <p>Chair: Abdulrahman Alebrahim</p>	
<p>10:30-10:45</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Coffee Break</p>	
<p>10:45-12:15</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Arab Gulf States and the Palestine Question (Auditorium 2)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">The Gulf City as a Structure and Social Agent (Meeting Room 003)</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;">Gulf Normalization with Israel: Implications for the Palestine Question</p> <p>Chair: Abdul Hadi Alajmi</p> <p>Abdullah Baabood: From Rejection to Normalization: How Have the Gulf States Changed Their Stances on Palestine?</p> <p>Nouf Abdulatife Aljassar: The Role of the United States of America in Consolidating the Abraham Accords with the GCC States: Proposed Initiatives and Future Challenges</p> <p>Dana El Kurd: The Impact of Arab-Israeli Normalization on Authoritarianism</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">The Gulf City: Modernization and Dystopia</p> <p>Chair: Abdulla Mohammed Al Sulaiti</p> <p>Baqer Al Najjar: Cities or Resorts: Escaping the Bustle of Overcrowded Gulf Cities</p> <p>Federico Cugurullo: Cyberpunk Urban Fantasies in the Gulf: The Line as an Incubator of Modernization in Saudi Arabia and Beyond</p>
<p>12:15-13:15</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Lunch Break</p>	

<p>13:15-14:45</p>	<p>Arab Gulf States and the Palestine Question (Auditorium 2)</p>	<p>The Gulf City as a Structure and Social Agent (Meeting Room 003)</p>
	<p>Gulf States and the War on Gaza</p> <p>Chair: Yousuf Hamad Al-Balushi</p> <p>Dhafer Al Ajmi: The Positions of the Gulf States on Israeli Aggression in Gaza</p> <p>Naji Abi-Aad: Impacts of the Gaza Crisis on the Energy Sector in the Middle East</p> <p>Khalid Hamad Abaalzamat: Gulf Public Opinion regarding Qatari Foreign Policy toward the Israeli War on Gaza</p>	<p>The Gulf City: Globality and Globalism</p> <p>Chair: Said Al-Hashimi</p> <p>Mehran Kamrava: Urbanism and Globalization in the Gulf</p> <p>Safa Sobh Sababheh: Gulf Cities as a Global Phenomenon: The Case of Saudi Eastern Coast Cities</p> <p>Simona Azzali: The Gulf City, Rapid Urban Transformations, and Globalization: A Critical Review of Current Urban Planning Practices</p>
<p>14:45-15:00</p>	<p>Coffee Break</p>	
<p>15:00-16:30</p>	<p>Popular and Official Attitudes in the Gulf States toward the Palestine Question</p> <p>Chair: Ibtihal Al-Khatib</p> <p>Nasser Saif Alsaadi & Saif Adi Al-Maskari: The Omani Approach to the Palestine Question from the Nakba to Camp David</p> <p>Reham Amro: Kuwaitis and The Cause: A Study of Political Awareness Transformations Toward the Palestine Question (1929-1975)</p> <p>Yara Nassar: Forgotten Chapters: Palestinian Liberation Movements in their Gulf Cradle</p>	<p>Climate Change and Environmental Balance in the Gulf City</p> <p>Chair: Hasan Madan</p> <p>Nabil Khaldoun Grissa: The Origins of the Historical Gulf City and Environmental Balance</p> <p>Arshad Mahmood: Resilience Strategies in Gulf Smart Cities: Addressing Climate Change and Urban Policy Challenges</p> <p>Alaa AlShehabi & Noor Alshaikh: Sacrifice Zones on Oil Frontiers: Indigenous Struggles for Environmental Justice in the Bahraini Villages of Sitra and Ma'ameer</p>

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16:45-18:00	<p data-bbox="511 274 1185 302" style="text-align: center;">The Gulf City as a Structure and Social Agent (Meeting Room 003)</p> <p data-bbox="580 367 1115 394" style="text-align: center;">The Gulf City: Toward a Sustainable Future</p> <p data-bbox="734 429 961 456" style="text-align: center;">Chair: Haider Saeed</p> <p data-bbox="497 480 1200 542" style="text-align: center;">Ali A Alraouf: A New Paradigm in Gulf Cities' Emerging Urbanity: The Inevitability of Moving Toward Inclusive, Just, and Liveable Cities</p> <p data-bbox="518 566 1180 593" style="text-align: center;">Alawi Almshahur & Ghassan Al-Qalhati: Cities on Shifting Sands</p>
18:00-18:15	<p data-bbox="719 704 979 731" style="text-align: center;">Concluding Remarks</p>