In Search of a Model for the Middle East - A Comparison of Turkish and Nordic Experiences
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| 09.30 - 11.00 | Panel 1: The Project: A Comparison of Turkish and Nordic Experiences | Lars Trägårdh, Henrik Berggren, Spyros A. Sofos, Umut Ozkirimli             
|              |                                              | Moderator: Andrea Karlsson                                                      |
| 11.00 - 11.15 | Coffee break                                 |                                                                                  |
| 11.15 - 12.30 | Panel 2: Comparing Turkish and Nordic Models | Matthew Goldman: Familial Models of the State in Turkey and Sweden            
|              |                                              | Ulrika Mårtensson: The Swedish Social Contract: Love Between the Individual and the State  
|              |                                              | Gunes Asik: Taking the Swedish Model for Female Employment Policies: Is Turkey Aiming for the Stars?“  
|              |                                              | Moderator: Leif Stenberg                                                     |
| 12.30 - 13.30 | Lunch                                        |                                                                                  |
|              |                                              | Filiz Coban: Turkey's Military Coup Syndrome: New Insights for Transition of Civil-Military Relations in the Middle East  
|              |                                              | Alper Kaliber: The Reorganization of Politics: Understanding the New Activism in Turkish Foreign Policy  
|              |                                              | Acar Kutay: The Politics of Constitutional Change in Turkey and in the Middle East  
|              |                                              | Moderator: Henrik Berggren                                                     |
| 14.45 - 15.00 | Coffee break                                 |                                                                                  |
| 15.00 - 16.30 | Panel 4: Governance and Democratization II   | Michelle Pace, Per Molander, Soli Ozel, Serhat Guvenc                         
|              |                                              | Moderator: Spyros A. Sofos                                                     |
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09.30 - 11.00  Panel 5: MENA Perspectives
Amr Shalakany: Law and Revolution; Egypt’s Legal Elite in Times of Transition
Sami Zubaida: The Socio-Economic Bases of the Politics of Community and Citizenship
Mhenni Mourad: The Tunisian Democratic Transition Process and Turkish Foreign Policy
Moderator: Lars Trägårdh

11.00 - 11.15  Coffee break

11.15 - 12.30  Panel 6: Gender, Ethnicity and Minorities
Sevil Sumer-Hande Z. Eslen: Changing Gender Policies and Revival of Women’s Movements in Turkey and Norway
Nilay Kilinc: Media Discourses on Syrian Refugee Women: A Comparative Case Study of Turkish and Swedish Approaches
Deniz Yildiz: Immigrant Claims before the European Court of Human Rights: A Comparative Analysis of the Cases against Sweden and Turkey
Moderator: Zelal Basak Kizilkan

12.30 - 13.30  Lunch

13.30 - 14.45  Panel 7: Policy Implications
Cengiz Candar, Jacob Erle, Harry Tzimitras, Fuat Keyman, Helin Sahin
Moderator: Umut Ozkirimli

14.45 - 15.00  Coffee break

15.00 - 16.30  Panel 8: Alternatives, Past and Future
Pinar E. Gulboy-Ahmet Sozen: Power-Sharing Democracy as an Alternative Form of Governance for Deeply Divided Societies
Maysam Behravesh: Iran’s Reform Movement: The Enduring Relevance of an Alternative Discourse
Rasmus Karlsson: The Global Applicability of Swedish Environmental Policy
Moderator: Fuat Keyman
About the Conference.

The projects of nation- and state-building in the Nordic area and Turkey and their distinct responses to challenges of modernity have provided inspiration to societies in transition so much so that they have been widely referred to as the Turkish and Nordic “model” respectively. Taking a critical and nuanced approach to the notion of the “model” and focusing primarily on post-Arab Spring Middle East and North Africa (MENA), this conference will explore the narratives underpinning the model societies and identify experiences that can constitute the subject of a dialogic, constructive relationship between the Nordic countries and Turkey on the one hand, and these and the MENA societies on the other.

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