

Centre of Middle Eastern Studies

CMES Seminar Series Spring Program 2021

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CMES has two set of seminar series. *CMES Public Seminar* focuses on highly topical issues related to the Middle East and is held 2-3 times per semester on Wednesdays 3.15-4.30pm. *CMES Research Seminar* is the main collective seminar at the Centre and is held on Thursdays between 1.15-2.30pm. Until further notice, all seminars are held digital on Zoom-platform. Please visit www.cme.lu.se for more information about speaker, abstract and registration for seminar We hope to return to hybrid and physical seminars once the infection rate of COVID-19 has decreased.

CMES Public Seminars

3 February

On the Recent Diplomatic Recognition of Israel by Middle Eastern States. Cecilia Uddén, Middle East Correspondent for Swedish Broadcasting

31 March

The Arab Spring 10 Years On

Panel discussion with *Mohammed Almahfali*, CMES, Lund University, *Mark LeVine*, CMES, Lund University, University of Californa Irvine, UCLA, *Maria Malmström*, CMES, Lund University, *Charlotta Sparre*, Director of the Swedish Dialogue Institute for the Middle East and North Africa

CMES Research Seminars

11 February

The Meaning of the People in Turkish Politics: A Geneology Spyros Sofos, CMES, Lund University

25 February

The Development of the Theological and Political Aspects of Jihadi-Salafism Orwa Ajjoub, CMES, Lund University

11 March

The Missing Sense of Peace [in Syria and Yemen]. Diplomatic Approachment and Virtualization during the Covid-19 Lockdown

Isabel Bramsen, Department of Political Science, Lund University and **Anine Hagman,** Department of Political Science, Copenhagen University

25 March

Rethinking Environmental Security. The Lessons Learned from the Middle East

Kaveh Madani, Yale University, Imperial College London

8 April

Developing Democracy in the Middle East: Rhetoric vs Reality Darcy Thompson, CMES, Human Rights, Lund University

22 April

A New Israeli Political Landscape? Recent Trends and Future Implications Isabell Schierenbeck, School of Global Studies, University of Gothenburg

6 May

New Perspectives on Migration Patterns in Sudan in the Context of Climate Change

Fanny Christou, CMES, LUCSUS, Lund University

20 May

What is so Sectarian about Sectarian Politics? Identity Politics and Authoritarianism in a New Middle East

Morten Valbjørn, Department of Political Science, Aarhus University

3 June

Refugee Decision-making in the First Countries of Asylum

Mo Hamza, Division of Risk Management and Societal Safety, Lund University