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WEDNESDAY 27 SEPTEMBER 2017

- 9:15 – 9:30 **Opening and Introductory Remarks**
IRINA DU BOIS, President, Pierre du Bois Foundation
MOHAMMAD-MAHMOUD OULD MOHAMEDOU,
The Graduate Institute, Geneva
- 9:30 – 11:00 **PANEL ONE**
**From the Twilight of the Ottoman Empire
to the 'Caliphate' Redux**
Chair LISA ANDERSON, Columbia University
Speakers
BAHGAT KORANY, American University in Cairo
OLIVIER ROY, European University Institute, Florence
SALMAN SAYYID, University of Leeds
- 11:00 – 11:30 Break
- 11:30 – 13:00 **PANEL TWO**
**The Sykes-Picot Paradigm:
Overemphasis or Lasting (dis)Order?**
Chair BENOÎT CHALLAND, New School for Social Research
Speakers
JOSEPH BAHOUT, Carnegie, Washington
JORDI TEJEL, The Graduate Institute, Geneva
NADIM SHEHADI, Fletcher School, Tufts University
- 13:00 – 14:00 Lunch
- 14:00 – 15:30 **PANEL THREE**
**The Iraq Wars: A Paradigm of Unceasing
Conflict in the Region**
Chair AMATZIA BARAM, University of Haifa
Speakers
FALEH ABDEL JABAR, Iraq Institute for Strategic Studies,
Beirut
STEPHANIE CRONIN, Oxford University
GARETH STANSFIELD, University of Exeter
- 15:30 – 16:00 Break
- 16:00 – 17:30 **PANEL FOUR**
**Peace and Wars:
A Century of the Palestine Question**
Chair CAROLYN BILTOFT, The Graduate Institute, Geneva
Speakers
AHMAD KHALIDI, St. Antony's College, Oxford University
BRUCE MADDY-WEITZMAN, Tel Aviv University
RICCARDO BOCCO, The Graduate Institute, Geneva
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- 18:30 – 20:00 **KEYNOTE LECTURE**
**Regime Resilience and State Collapse
in the Middle East**
GHASSAN SALAMÉ
- 20:00 – 22:00 Conference Dinner (by invitation)

THURSDAY 28 SEPTEMBER 2017

- 9:30 – 11:00 **PANEL FIVE**
**Authoritarianism, Intervention
and the New Great Game**
Chair JUSSI HANHIMÄKI, The Graduate Institute, Geneva
Speakers
BERTRAND BADIE, Sciences Po Paris
JÜLIDE KARAKOÇ, Istanbul Kemerburgaz University, Istanbul
AIDAN HEHIR, University of Westminster
- 11:00 – 11:30 Break
- 11:30 – 13:00 **PANEL SIX**
The Arab Spring and its Discontents
Chair JEAN-FRANCOIS BAYART, The Graduate Institute,
Geneva
Speakers
NADIA MARZOUKI, European University Institute, Florence
OMAR ASHOUR, Exeter University
TAREK MASOUD, JFK School of Government, Harvard
University
- 13:00 – 14:00 Lunch
- 14:00 – 15:30 **PANEL SEVEN**
**Alternative Statehood and Armed Militancy:
From the Ikhwan to the Islamic State**
Chair CYRUS SCHAYEGH, Princeton University
Speakers
FRANÇOIS BURGAT, National Centre for Scientific Research
(CNRS), Aix-en-Provence
MAHA YAHYA, Carnegie Middle East Centre
MATTHEW BAMBER, The Graduate Institute, Geneva
- 15:30 – 16:00 Break
- 16:00 – 17:15 **ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION**
**Persistent Narratives: The Rise and Fall
and Rise of Orientalism**
Chair MOHAMMAD-MAHMOUD OULD MOHAMEDOU,
The Graduate Institute, Geneva
Speakers
HAMID DABASHI, Columbia University
KARIM BITAR, University of Saint-Joseph, Beirut
ANNA AKASOY, City University of New York
ADAM SHATZ, *The London Review of Books*
- 17:15 – 17:30 **SUMMARY OF DISCUSSIONS AND CLOSE**
GOPALAN BALACHANDRAN, The Graduate Institute, Geneva
MOHAMMAD-MAHMOUD OULD MOHAMEDOU,
The Graduate Institute, Geneva
- 18:00 – 21:00 Conference Closing Dinner (by invitation)