



THE AMERICAN UNIVERSITY IN CAIRO

From Tahrir: Revolution or Democratic Transition?

June 4 - 6, 2011 • Oriental Hall • AUC Tahrir Square

Participants from more than 25 universities around the world including Columbia, Cairo, Yale, Cornell, Birzeit, Cambridge, Princeton and Georgetown universities, as well as the European University Institute and the Foundation for Spanish Transition

Saturday, June 4

9:30 am Opening Session • Between Democratic Transition and Revolution: Where to Place Events in Egypt?

Philippe Schmitter, European University Institute • Steve Heydemann, US Institute of Peace • Maha Abdelrahman, Cambridge University • Moderated by Bahgat Korany, The American University in Cairo

12:00 pm How to Understand the Current Uprisings: The Role of Labor and the Subaltern

Rabab El-Mahdi, The American University in Cairo • Saber Barakat, Labor Organizers - Land Center • May AbdelRazik, Popular Defense Committees • Moderated by Dina Bishara, George Washington University

2:30 pm Youth Movements and Social Media: Their Role and Impact

Dina Shehata, Al-Ahram Center for Political and Strategic Studies • Hossam El-Hamalawy, activist and blogger • Marc Lynch, George Washington University • Moderated by Maha Abdelrahman, Cambridge University

Sunday, June 5

9:00 am The Future of Political Parties

Samer Soliman, The American University in Cairo • Ibrahim El-Hodiaby, activist and researcher • AbdelGhaffar Shokr, Center for African Studies and activist • Moderated by Nathan Brown, George Washington University

11:00 am Elections in the Region: Enduring Clientelism?

Ellen Lust, Yale University • Mazen Hassan, Cairo University • Antonio Spinelli, International Foundation for Electoral Systems - Egypt • Moderated by Sheila Carapico, The American University in Cairo

1:30 pm Restructuring the Entrenched Security Apparatus

Charles Powell, Foundation for Spanish Transition • Heinz-Werner Aping, Federal Criminal Police Office of Germany • Hossam Bahgat, Egyptian Initiative for Personal Rights • Bruce Rutherford, Colgate University • Moderated by Bahgat Korany, The American University in Cairo

Monday, June 6

9:00 am From Authoritarianism to Democracy: Experiences from Central Europe and Spain

Laszlo Bruszt, European University Institute • Charles Powell, Foundation for Spanish Transition • Jorge Alcocer, Federal Electoral Institute • Moderated by Ibrahim Awad, The American University in Cairo

11:00 am After the Transition: Consolidation of Democracy

Alfred Stepan, Columbia University • David Stark, Columbia University • Paul Salem, Carnegie Middle East Center • Moderated by Ibrahim Awad, The American University in Cairo

1:30 pm Project on Middle East Political Science Workshop

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