Grand Strategy
Mapping the Contemporary Middle East
IMEIS, Durham University
&
Dept of Historical Studies, NTNU Trondheim Norway

4th-5th September 2019

Venue
Room 102, Al Qasimi Building, Durham University

Conference Panels and TimeTable

Day One: 4th September 2019

Grand Strategy in the Middle East: History and Context.

09:00 – 09:30  Registration/Coffee

09:30 - 10:00  Welcoming Remarks: Grand Strategy and the Middle East – Themes and Issues  Prof Clive Jones/Prof Tore Petersen

10:00 – 12:15 Panel One: Grand Strategy and the Great Powers: The Historical Legacy

Chair:  Prof. Simon C.Smith

Russia/Soviet Union and the Middle East : Prof Mark Katz George Washington University

France, the Middle East and Grand Strategy: Dr Rachel Uttley  University of Leeds

Britain, the Middle East and Grand Strategy: Dr Carly Beckerman  Durham University

United States, the Middle East and Grand Strategy: Prof Tore Petersen  NTNU

12:15 – 1400: Lunch

14:00 -16:30 Panel Two: Grand Strategy from the Ground Up – the Regional Actors
Chair: Prof Clive Jones

Iran: Prof Anoush Ehteshami Durham University

Israel: Prof Zach Levey, University of Haifa

Turkey: Dr Simon Waldman, Research Fellow King’s College London

Egypt: Dr Dina Rezk, Reading University

Saudi Arabia: Dr Philip Gater-Smith

19:00 – 21:00 Conference Dinner

Day Two:

Grand Strategy and the Middle East: The Contemporary Debates

09:00 – 09:30 Coffee

09:30 – 10:30 Key Note Address: Sir Richard Dalton former UK Ambassador to Iran and Libya (TBC)

10:30 – 10:45 Coffee Break

11:00 – 13:00 Panel Three: Grand Strategy and the Middle East: the New International Players

Chair: Professor Anoush Ehteshami

Russia: Professor Mark Katz, George Mason University

United States: Dr Donette Murray, RMA Sandhurst

China: Professor Tim Niblock, Exeter University

The European Union: Dr Jacob Ericsson, York University

The UK: Former UK Ambassador to Oman, Dr Noel Guckian

13:00 – 14:00 Lunch

14:00 – 16:00 Panel Four: Grand Strategy – The Regional Actors
Chair: Professor Clive Jones

The Gulf States: Prof Rory Miller School of Foreign Service, Georgetown University Qatar

Iran: Professor Gawdat Baghat National Defence University, Washington D.C

Israel: Dr Amnon Aran, City University

Turkey: Cangul Altudas-Ackay, Durham University

Egypt: TBC

Concluding Remarks and departure of delegates