

The Hebrew University of Jerusalem
The Halbert Centre for Canadian Studies
The Harry S. Truman Institute for the Advancement of Peace

Governing Ethnic Diversity in an Era of Transformation:
The Middle East in Comparative Perspective

December 10-11, 2012, at the Halbert Centre for Canadian Studies, Room #4707,
Faculty of Social Science, Mt. Scopus, Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Monday, December 10, 2012

10:00-10:30: Greetings and Introduction

Prof. Amalya Oliver, on behalf of the Halbert Centre for Canadian Studies
& Prof. Oded Haklai

10:30-12:15: The Palestinians in Comparative Perspective

Chair: Oded Haklai

Assaf David – I am In, I am out: Who is Jordanian and What difference Does it
Make?

Aziz Haidar – The Palestinians on the Westside of the Jordan River

Liora Norwich – Institutionalization and De-institutionalization of Ethnic
Contention: A Relational Approach

12:15-13:45: Lunch, Abba Eban Conference Hall at the Truman Institute

13:45- 15:15: The Politics of Sectarianism in Weak States

Chair: Assaf David

Noga Efrati – The politicization of Sectarianism: post-Saddam Iraq -Lessons for
post-Uprising Middle Eastern Countries

Omri Nir – Opposite Processes in a Multi-Sectarian State: the Maronites and
Shi'ites of Lebanon

15:00 -15:30: Coffee break

**15:30-17:00: Comparative Lessons in State-Minority Relations during Transitions
from East and West**

Chair: Noga Efrati

Jacques Bertrand – Minorities and Democratization in Indonesia

Zsuzsa Csergo and Philippe Roseberry - Territorial Self-governance in Europe:
State Construction and Conflict Management

18:00: Dinner at a Jerusalem Restaurant - Darna

Tuesday, December 11, 2012

9:30-11:00: The Middle East in Comparative Perspective

Chair: Omri Nir

Asher Susser – The Arab Spring and the Arab State

Ceren Belge – Minority Attitudes towards Regimes: Turkey, Egypt, Jordan and Morocco

11:00-11:15: Coffee Break

11:15-12:45: State – Minority Relations in North Africa

Chair: Zsuzsa Csergo

Bruce Maddy-Weitzman – North Africa's Berbers: The Genie is Out of the Bottle

Bosmat Yefet-Avshalom – The Egyptian State and the Coptic Minority: The Challenges of the Revolution

12:45-14:15: Lunch, Frank Sinatra Cafeteria

14:15-15:45: The Kurds in Comparative Perspective

Chair: Philippe Roseberry

Moshe Maoz – The Kurds in the Middle East-the Case of Syria

Gallia Lindenstrauss – Turkey and Northern Iraq: A Paradigm Shift?

15:45-16:00: Coffee break

16:00-16:30: Conclusion and Business meeting

18:00: Dinner at a Jerusalem Restaurant - Canella

Wednesday, December 12, 2012

Tour for the Canadian group