About ERF

Our Mission

The Economic Research Forum (ERF) is a regional network dedicated to promoting high-quality economic research to contribute to sustainable development in the Arab countries, Iran and Turkey.

Our Objectives

Established in 1993, ERF's core objectives are to build strong research capacity in the ERF region, to lead and support the production of independent, high quality economic research, and to disseminate research output to a wide and diverse audience.

Our Activities

To achieve these objectives, ERF carries out a portfolio of activities. These include mobilizing funds for well conceived proposals; managing carefully selected regional research initiatives and providing training and mentoring programs to junior researchers. It also includes organizing seminars and conferences based on research outcomes; and publishing research output through multiple channels including working papers, books, policy briefs and a newsletter – Forum.

Our Network

The ERF network comprises a distinguished Board of Trustees (BOT), accomplished researchers from the region and highly dedicated head-office staff. A not-for-profit organization, the Forum is supported by multiple donors, both regional and international.

Contact Information

Address: 21 Al-Sad Al-Aaly St. Dokki, Giza, Egypt
Telephone: 00 202 333 18 600 - 603 Fax: 00 202 333 18 604
Email: erf@erf.org.eg Website: http://www.erf.org.eg
Conference Program

Contents

- About the ERF 21st Annual Conference 1
- General Information and Logistics 3
- Preconference Closed Meetings 4
- Program of Sessions
  - Day One: Friday, March 20 5
  - Day Two: Saturday, March 21 9
  - Day Three: Sunday, March 22 13
- List of Participants 15
- Feedback Form 24
The Economic Research Forum’s (ERF) Annual Conference has become the premiere regional event for Middle East economists, where new ideas are born, nourished and promoted; where the community of researchers meets; and where excellence is celebrated. This year’s conference will be held in Tunisia, March 20-22, 2015, in collaboration with the Tunisian Economic Association. The main theme of the plenary sessions is “Democracy and Economic Development.”

Besides the plenary sessions, which will feature world renowned economists, political scientists and policy makers, there will be six parallel sessions daily. Parallel sessions will see the presentation of more than 40 papers under the themes of Macroeconomics, Microeconomics, International Economics, Finance, Labor and Human Development and Institutional Economics. In addition, there will be two special sessions showcasing the work by ERF on the themes of “Transition in the Arab World” and “Inequality in the Arab World.” As always, the closing session will be devoted to celebrating the six winners of what has become a regional mark of excellence: The Best Paper Award.

**Conference Theme**

The choice of “Democracy and Economic Development” as the main theme of the conference is prompted by two observations: First, several countries in the region are engaged in a messy democratization process; Second, the causal relationship between democracy and economic development (and reverse causation) is anything but clear and conclusive.

To be sure, democracy is important in its own right. In addition, as former British Prime Minister Winston Churchill once famously remarked, “… [It] is the worst form of government, except for all those other forms that have been tried from time to time.” We also know that all rich and advanced countries are democracies. The problem is that the transition to democracy is associated with high levels of uncertainty, economic difficulties and rising popular demands. Failing to manage this transition can be costly and may jeopardize the transition process altogether. Beyond the transition, both theory and empirical evidence are inconclusive when it comes to the impact of democracy on economic growth and distribution, on the one hand, and the impact of growth and distribution on democracy, on the other. Moreover, democracy is not monolithic and has different faces (especially in terms of design and practice), and thus may have varying repercussions on policymaking and development. In this context, the objectives of the three plenary sessions of this conference are to address the debates surrounding the link between democracy and development, the possible impact of different forms of democracy on development and how to best navigate the transition towards democracy in the Arab world.

**Plenary Session 1: The Relationship between Democracy and Development**

To disentangle the relationship between democracy and economic development, the speakers in this session will adopt a medium to long term perspective, addressing such questions as: Do countries become democratic when their levels of income reach a certain level, or does democracy come about as a result of historical events or critical junctures? What is the role of inequality and class structure in bringing about more democratic societies? Viewed from the opposite perspective, what is the impact of democracy on development, and does it always deliver acceptable socio-economic outcomes? Are there economic and social circumstances, such as levels of development or conflicts, where a dictatorship may outperform a democratic regime?
With respect to the Arab countries, the speakers could further address questions such as: Why did the region suffer from a “democratic deficit” for a long time? To what extent did oil, conflicts, political Islam, and colonialism contribute to this outcome? What prompted the recent uprisings? Why did they occur in some countries, but not in others? And how serious is the ensuing polarization for prospects of democracy?

**Plenary Session 2: Forms of Democracy and Development**
This session starts from the observation that democracy comes in many forms, apparently with different results in terms of economic growth, equity and overall welfare. The question is what makes one form of democracy more successful than another? To explore this question, the speakers will address such questions as: To what extent can the variations in economic outcomes be attributed to the way democratic institutions are designed and the manner in which they behave, especially in terms of checks and balances, transparency, accountability and broad political inclusion? Which features of democratic institutions are most relevant and critical for achieving positive developmental outcomes? Are there forms of democracy, such as presidential or parliamentary; features of electoral processes; and/or systems of political finance that are empirically found to be better than others?

Turning to the Arab countries, what are the implications of the above for the Arab countries in transition? In particular, what should these countries do to create good democratic systems and what are the pitfalls they should avoid?

**Plenary Session 3: Navigating the Transition to Democracy**
Informed by the findings of the previous plenary sessions, this session will more broadly examine the experiences of countries that went through democratic transitions to draw lessons for the Arab countries currently navigating their own transitions. To this end, the speakers will address such questions as: Is there a pattern for successful political and economic transitions or is the process country specific? How long does it take to achieve political and economic stability and at what cost? What prevents countries in transition from sliding back into undemocratic governance? Finally, how were social mass movements transformed into a political power base for new regimes?

In addition to the above questions, the speakers may also deal with the role of religion and the military in transition processes. Finally, they may speculate about what can be expected going forward.

**Special Events and Meetings**
1. Social Drivers of Political Change in the Arab World
2. Inequality in the Arab World
3. Preconference Closed Meetings
4. Research Fellows Meeting
5. Board of Trustees Meeting
6. Closing and Award Ceremony of the Best Paper Award
**General Information**

**Conference Venue**

- Golden Tulip Carthage Tunis Hotel | Avenue de la Promenade, B.P. 606 - 2078 | La Marsa | Tunis, Tunisia | Tel: +216 71 91 3000 | Fax: +216 71 91 3913

**Travel Arrangements**

- In case of any delay in your departure, please send a message or call +2 0100 884 4995 to re-book your hotel reservation and arrange for your airport pickup.
- Upon your arrival in Tunis, Meet and Assist services will be provided by a representative from the hotel. The representative will be holding an ERF sign and will be waiting in front of the "Office National du Tourisme Tunisiens (ONTT)".
- In case you miss your airport pickup, or you don’t find the hotel representative, please contact Ms. Dhouha Ayed: +216 242 71926.
- Transportation from the airport to the hotel will be provided to all participants (30 minute-trip).
- Those who need to collect their ticket reimbursement and authors who need to sign their contracts kindly go to Tanit Room.
- For departure, please check out and be ready three hours before your flights departure time.
- The Tunisian Government has issued a departure tax of 30TD to be paid at the airport. They only accept cash. Please make sure to have this amount for your departure. This tax is not covered by ERF.

**Hotel Accommodation**

- Participants will be residing at: Golden Tulip Carthage Tunis Hotel | Avenue de la Promenade, B.P. 606 - 2078 | La Marsa | Tunis, Tunisia | Tel: +216 71 91 3000 | Fax: +216 71 91 3913
- A block of rooms has been reserved at this hotel for all participants attending the conference.
- To speed up the check-in process, please advise the check-in clerk that you are with the Economic Research Forum (ERF) Group.
- There will be a registration desk in the lobby with an ERF sign. Please pass by to receive your conference package.
- Kindly note that ERF does not cover expenses related to laundry, phone calls (local and international), room service, use of the mini-bar, alcoholic beverages.
- Wi-Fi connection is available free of charge.

**Meals**

- Group lunches will be served at the Golden Tulip Hotel for participants from March 20 – 22, and are covered by ERF.
- For participants arriving on March 19 and/or departing on March 23, please have your meals at the El Montazah restaurant.
- The Welcome Dinner will take place on March 20 at 8:30 pm at the Neptune Pool.
- You are invited to attend a cultural event that will take place on March 22 at 7:30 pm at the Ennejma Ezzahra. Buses will be ready at the hotel entrance at 6:30 pm.
Parallel Sessions (Closed Meetings)

09:00 – 13:00
ERF Advisory Committee Meeting
Hadrumete Hall

09:00 – 12:00
Team Meeting on the Use of Household Surveys
El Jem Board Room

10:00 – 14:00
Book Authors’ Meeting: Tunisian Labor Market Panel Survey (TLMPS)
Hannibal Hall

14:00 – 16:00
Lunch Break

16:00 – 18:00
Thematic Leaders Meeting
El Jem Board Room

18:00 – 19:30
Finance Committee Meeting
El Jem Board Room
DAY ONE

8:30 – 9:30  REGISTRATION | Carthage Ballroom Foyer

9:30 – 12:00  OPENING AND PLENARY SESSION 1: THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN DEMOCRACY AND DEVELOPMENT | Carthage Ballroom

  Chairperson: Abdlatif Al-Hamad (Arab Fund for Economic and Social Development and ERF)
  Opening Remarks: Ahmed Galal (Economic Research Forum)
  Welcome Remarks: Hedi Larbi (Tunisian Economic Association)
  Speakers: Melani Cammett (Harvard University)
             Ibrahim Elbadawi (Dubai Economic Council and ERF)
             Adam Przeworski (New York University)

12:00 – 14:00  FRIDAY PRAYERS AND LUNCH

14:00 – 15:30  PARALLEL SESSIONS

**Institutional Economics**
Political Connections, Access to Finance and Firm Performance

Carthage Ballroom

  Chairperson: Hafez Ghanem
  Speakers: Umut Gündüz
  Political Connections, Firm Performance and Resilience: An Econometric Approach
  Hanan Morsy and Hoda Youssef
  Access to Finance—Mind the Gender Gap
  Discussant: Hadi Esfahani

**Finance**
Financial Assets in the GCC

Dougga Hall (Third Floor)

  Chairperson: Hassan Aly
  Speakers: Walid Mensi, Shawkat Hammoudeh, Juan Carlos Reboredo, and Duc Khuong Nguyen
  Hedge and Safe Haven Gold and Other Assets in GCC Markets
  Tahar Tayachi, Shawkat Hammoudeh, and Ahmed Khalifa
  Global Factors and GCC Stock Market Integration Using The Regime Switching, R-Vine Copula Approach
  Discussant: Mahmoud Haddad

**Macroeconomics**
Arab Spring Economies

Amilcar Hall (Third Floor)

  Chairperson: Samir Makdisi
  Speakers: Hany Abdel-Latif, Tapas Mishra and Anita V. Staneva
  Arab countries between Winter and Spring: Where Democracy Shock Goes Next!
  David Cobham and Abdallah Zouache
  Economic Features of the Arab Spring
  Discussant: Kamiar Mohaddes

15:30 – 16:00  Coffee Break
INTERNATIONAL ECONOMICS
Wars, Informality and Trade

Hadrumeete Hall
(Third Floor)

Chairperson: Omneia Helmy
Speakers: Fida Karam and Chahir Zaki

How Did Wars Dampen Trade in the MENA Region?

Sami Bensassi, Anne Brockmeyer, Matthieu Pellerin and Gael Raballand
Algeria–Mali Trade: The Normality of Informality

Discussant: Raed Safadi

LABOR AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT
Determinants of Health Outcomes

Hannibal Hall
(Third Floor)

Chairperson: Maha Rabbat
Speakers: Aysit Tansel and Hanife Deniz Karaoglan

Relationship between Health and Education in Turkey: An Instrumental Variable Approach

Caroline Krafft

The Determinants of Child Health Disparities in Jordan

Discussant: Massoud Karshenas

MICROECONOMICS
Growth and Productivity

El Jem Boardroom
(Third Floor)

Chairperson: Izak Atiyas
Speakers: Hanan Morsy, Antoine Levy and Clara Sanchez

Growing Without Changing: A Tale of Egypt’s Weak Productivity Growth

Ali Chebil, Aymen Frija and Rached Alyani

Measurement of Total Factor Productivity and Its Determinants: Case of Wheat Sector in Tunisia

Discussant: Randall K. Filer
### DAY ONE

**16:00 – 17:30** **Parallel Sessions**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th><strong>Institutional Economics</strong></th>
<th><strong>Finance</strong></th>
<th><strong>Macroeconomics</strong></th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>New Research on Corruption</td>
<td>Stock Markets</td>
<td>Political Instability and Economic Performance</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Carthage Ballroom</td>
<td>Dougga Hall (Third Floor)</td>
<td>Amilcar Hall (Third Floor)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Chairperson: <em>Hala Abou-Ali</em></td>
<td>Chairperson: <em>Sultan Abou-Ali</em></td>
<td>Chairperson: <em>Mustapha Nabli</em></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Speakers: <em>Houda Haffoudhi, Racem Mehdi and Gam Abdelkader</em></td>
<td>Speakers: <em>Bedri Kamil Onur Taz</em></td>
<td>Speakers: <em>Amr Hosny</em></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Mapping Democratic Transition</td>
<td>Wash Trades as a Stock Market Manipulation Tool</td>
<td>Are We Sure about the Effects of the Egyptian Uprisings? A SURE Approach</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><em>May A. Attallah</em></td>
<td><em>Hatem Salah and Marwa Souissi</em></td>
<td><em>Hossam Eldin Abdelkader</em></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>The Economic Determinants of Political Islam: An Empirical Investigation of the Arab Spring in Egypt</td>
<td>Financial Stability and Macro Prudential Regulation: Policy Implication of Systemic Expected Shortfall Measure</td>
<td>Political Instability, Uncertainty, Democracy, and Economic Growth in Egypt</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Discussant: <em>Ishac Diwan</em></td>
<td>Discussant: <em>Mine Cinar</em></td>
<td>Discussant: <em>Ibrahim Elbadawi</em></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**17:30 – 18:00** **Coffee Break**

**18:00 – 20:00** **Research Fellows Meeting (closed meeting)** | Amilcar Hall (Third Floor)

**20:30** **Welcome Dinner | Neptune Pool - Golden Tulip Hotel**
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>International Economics</th>
<th>Labor and Human Development</th>
<th>Microeconomics</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Foreign Investors and Exporters</td>
<td>Labor Supply: Youth and Rural Households</td>
<td>Household Behavior</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Hadrumete Hall (Third Floor)</td>
<td>Hannibal Hall (Third Floor)</td>
<td>El Jem Boardroom (Third Floor)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Chairperson: <strong>Subidey Togan</strong></td>
<td>Chairperson: <strong>Insan Tunali</strong></td>
<td>Chairperson: <strong>Najib Harabi</strong></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Speakers: <strong>Nergiz Dincer and Ayça Tekin-Koru</strong></td>
<td>Speakers: <strong>Touhami Abdelkhalek and Fouzia Eijanoui</strong></td>
<td>Speakers: <strong>Reham Rizk and Hala Abou-Ali</strong></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>A League of Their Own: Services Exporters</td>
<td><strong>Tests de Séparabilité dans les Décisions des Ménages Agricoles</strong></td>
<td>Determinants of Household Expenditure on Children’s Education</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Ghada Tayem</strong> and <strong>Diana Abu-Ghunmi</strong></td>
<td><strong>Imen Mouaddeb and Mohamed Kriaa</strong></td>
<td><strong>Yvonne Giesing and Almedina Music</strong></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Characteristics of Foreign Investors and Firm Productivity</td>
<td>Labor Market Participation and the Impact of the Passage Into Professional Life Through an Introductory Traineeship (SIVP1)</td>
<td>Household Behavior under Political Instability</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Discussant: <strong>Khalid Sekkat</strong></td>
<td>Discussant: <strong>Ragui Assaad</strong></td>
<td>Discussant: <strong>Shantayanan Devarajan</strong></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
DAY TWO

9:00 – 11:00  **Plenary Session 2: Forms of Democracy and Development**  | Carthage Ballroom

  **Chairperson:** Mouna Cherkaoui (University of Mohamed V and ERF)

  **Speakers:** Tarek Masoud (Harvard University)
  Mustapha Nabli (Economic Research Forum)
  Gerard Roland (University of California)

11:00 – 11:30  **Coffee Break**

11:30  **ERF Board of Trustees Meeting** (closed meeting)

11:30 – 13:00  **Parallel Sessions**

**Institutional Economics**
Public Spending and Perception of Welfare
Carthage Ballroom

  **Chairperson:** Ali Akarca

  **Speakers:** Cem Başlevent and Hasan Kirmanoğlu

  A Multilevel Analysis of Individual Attitudes Toward Welfare State Responsibilities

  Riadh Brini and Hatem Jemmali

  Efficiency in Public Spending, Governance, Political and Economic Policies

  **Discussant:** Jeffrey Nugent

**Finance**
Commercial and Islamic Banks
Dougga Hall (Third Floor)

  **Chairperson:** Mahmoud Sami Nabi

  **Speakers:** Canan Yildirim and Adnan Kasman

  Bank Market Power and Non-interest Income in Emerging Markets

  Mohamed E. Chaffai

  Technical Efficiency and Stability to Shocks

  **Discussant:** Wafik Grais

**Macroeconomics**
Liberalization, Globalization, Oil Sanctions and Economic Consequences
Amilcar Hall (Third Floor)

  **Chairperson:** Mongi Boughzala

  **Speakers:** Kamiar Mohaddes and Mohammad H. Pesaran

  Oil Sanctions and the Global Economy: A Counterfactual Analysis

  Mohamed Trabelsi and Mondher Cherif

  Capital Account Liberalization and Financial Deepening: Does the Private Sector Matter?

  **Discussant:** Rania Al Mashat

13:00 – 14:30  **Lunch Break**
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th><strong>INTERNATIONAL ECONOMICS</strong></th>
<th><strong>LABOR AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT</strong></th>
<th><strong>MICROECONOMICS</strong></th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Regional Integration</td>
<td>Education and Labor Market</td>
<td>Telecommunications</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Hadrumete Hall (Third Floor)</td>
<td>Outcomes</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Chairperson: Mohamed Goaied</td>
<td>Hannibal Hall (Third Floor)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Speakers: Melise Jaud,</td>
<td>Chairperson: Ali Abdel Gadir</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Youssouf Kendrebeogo,</td>
<td>Ali</td>
<td>Chairperson: Hanan</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>and Marie-Ange Véanzonès-</td>
<td>Speakers: Nadir Altinok</td>
<td>Morsy</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Varoudakis</td>
<td>and Abdurrahman Aydemir</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Financial Vulnerability and</td>
<td>The Unfolding of Gender Gap</td>
<td>Do Telecom Restrictive Policies</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Export Dynamics</td>
<td>in Education</td>
<td>Matter for Telecom Liberalization</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Jamal Ibrahim Haidar and</td>
<td>Ahmed Elsayed and Olivier</td>
<td>and Performance?</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Farid Toubal</td>
<td>Marie</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Linguistic Influences on</td>
<td>Education and Labour Market</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Exporter Dynamics in</td>
<td>Outcomes: Evidence from a</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Developing Countries</td>
<td>Reduction in Years of</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Compulsory Schooling in Egypt</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Discussant: Abia Abdel-Latif</td>
<td>Discussant: Meltem Dayioglu-</td>
<td>Discussant: Amirah</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Tayfur</td>
<td>El-Haddad</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

21 March
DAY TWO

14:30 – 16:00  PARALLEL SESSIONS

**INSTITUTIONAL ECONOMICS**  
Rent Control and Use of Research  
Carthage Ballroom

Chairperson: **Touhami Abdelkhalek**
Speakers: **Brahim Elmorchid**  
**and Hind Hourmat Allah**

*Comprendre l’Utilisation de la Recherche en Sciences Sociales par les Organisations de la Société Civile: La Leçon Marocaine*

**Speakers:**  
**Shereen E. Attia**

Rent Control Dilemma Comeback in Egypt’s Governance

Discussant: **Imed Limam**

**FINANCE**  
Banks and the Arab Spring  
Dougga Hall (Third Floor)

Chairperson: **Sultan Abou-Alli**
Speakers: **Mahmoud Haddad and Sam Hakim**

*Are Banks A Casualty of The Arab Spring?*

Discussant: **Samir Ghazouani**

**MACROECONOMICS**  
Macroeconomic Policy: Fiscal Sustainably and Inflation  
Amilcar Hall (Third Floor)

Chairperson: **Hoda Selim**
Speakers: **Abderrahim Chibi, Sidi Mohamed Chekouri and Mohamed Benbouziane**

Assessing Fiscal Sustainability in Algeria: A Nonlinear Approach

**Doaa Akl Ahmed**

Modelling the Density of Egyptian Quarterly CPI Inflation

Discussant: **Fatih Ozatay**

16:00 – 16:30  Coffee Break

16:30 – 18:00  SPECIAL EVENT: SOCIAL DRIVERS OF POLITICAL CHANGE IN THE ARAB WORLD | Carthage Ballroom

Chairperson: **Ishac Diwan** (Paris School of Economics and ERF)

Speakers: **Mohamad Al-Ississ**, **Melani Cammett and Nisrine Salti**, and **Raj Desai, Anders Olofsguard and Tarik Yousef**

*After the Uprisings – The Transformation of Public Opinions, Memories of Redistribution: Welfare Legacies and Political Attitudes and Behavior, Exclusion and Dissent: Explaining Political Action Among Youth*

Discussant: **Tarek Masoud** (Harvard University)
**International Economics**
The Politics of Import Tariffs

Hadrumete Hall
(Third Floor)

Chairperson: **Mohamed Ali Marouani**

Speakers: **Bob Rijkers, Gael Raballand and Leila Baghdadi**

Political Connections and Tariff Evasion Evidence from Tunisia

**Leila Baghdadi, Hendrik Kruse and Inma Martinez-Zarzoso**

An Estimation of Tariff Pass-Through in Tunisia

Discussant: **Chahir Zaki**

---

**Labor and Human Development**
Poverty and Wealth Inequality

Hannibal Hall
(Third Floor)

Chairperson: **Hassan Hakimian**

Speakers: **Ibrahim Elbadawi and Eman Refaat**

Competitive Real Exchange Rates are Good for the Poor

**Hoda El Enbaby and Rami Galal**

Inequality of Opportunity in Earnings and Wealth in Egypt

Discussant: **Djavad Salehi-Isfahani**

---

**Microeconomics**
Poverty and Environmental Degradation

El Jem Boardroom
(Third Floor)

Chairperson: **Mohamed Matoussi**

Speakers: **Hala Abou-Ali, Yasmine M. Abdelfattah and John Adams**

Driving Forces of Environmental Degradation in Arab Countries

**Mohamed Amara and Hatem Jemmali**

Household and Contextual Indicators of Poverty in Tunisia: A Multi-level Analysis

Discussant: **Atif Kubursi**
DAY THREE

9:00 – 11:00  **Plenary Session 3: Navigating the Transitions to Democracy** | Carthage Ballroom

**Chairperson:** Bassma Kodmani (Arab Reform Initiative)

**Speakers:** Eva Bellin (Brandeis University)  
Erik Berglof (London School of Economics)  
Larry Diamond (Stanford University)

11:00 – 11:30 **Coffee Break**

11:30 – 13:00 **Parallel Sessions**

**Macroeconomics**  
Growth and Sectoral Transformation

Amilcar Hall  
(Third Floor)

**Chairperson:** Mahmoud Al-Iriani

**Speakers:**  
Sevil Acar and Ahmet Atıl Aşıcı

Does Income Growth Relocate Ecological Footprint?

Walid Jebili and Lotfi Belakcem

Sectoral Shifts, Diversification, and Regional Unemployment on the Eve of Revolution in Tunisia

Discussant: Mahmoud El-Gamal

**Labor and Human Development**  
Women Empowerment and Participation

Hannibal Hall  
(Third Floor)

**Chairperson:** Maryse Louis

**Speakers:**  
Ragui Assaad, Hanan Nazier and Racha Ramadan

Empowerment is a Community Affair

Nelly El Mallakh, Mathilde Maurela and Biagio Speciale

Women and Political Change: Evidence from the Egyptian Revolution

Discussant: Jackline Wahba

**Microeconomics**  
Job Creation and Innovation

El Jem Boardroom  
(Third Floor)

**Chairperson:** Bruce Currie-Alder

**Speakers:**  
Bob Rijkers, Hassen Aroui, Caroline Freund and Antonio Nucifora

Which Firms Create the Most Jobs in Developing Countries?

Tamer Taha

Is Corruption "Greasing" or “Sand- ing” the Wheels of Innovation of Firms in MENA?

Discussant: Lahcen Achy

13:00 – 14:30 **Lunch Break**
14:30 – 16:00 **Special Event: Inequality in the Arab World** | Carthage Ballroom

Chairperson: *Djavad Salehi-Isfahani* (Virginia Tech University and ERF)

Speakers:
- *Ragui Assaad*, Inequality of Income and Wages in MENA: Outcomes and Opportunities
- *Ishac Diwan*, Attitudes Toward Inequality, What We Have Learned from the World Values and Gallup Surveys
- *Caroline Kraft*, Inequality in Human Development in the Middle East and North Africa

Discussant: *John Roemer* (Yale University)

16:00 – 16:30 **Coffee Break**

16:30 – 18:00 **Plenary Session 4: Awards Ceremony and Closing** | Carthage Ballroom
Participants List

Yasmine Abdelfattah
British University in Egypt (BUE)
Egypt
Tel: +202 2687 5892
yasmine.mohamed@bue.edu.eg

Gam Abdelkader
University of Economics Management of Nabeul
Tunisia
Tel: +216 2008 5005
amgam@mac.com

Hossam E. M. Abdelkader
Ain Shams University
Egypt
Tel: +20 12 8388 8349
drhos620@gmail.com

Touhami Abdelkhalek
National Institute of Statistics and Applied Economics (INSEA)
Morocco
Tel: +212 5 3777 4860
touhami@mail.com

Abla Abdel-Latif
Ministry of Trade and Industry
Egypt
Tel: +202 2794 0297
alatif@aucegypt.edu

Hany Abdel-Latif
Swansea University
United Kingdom
Tel: +44 17 9260 2699
591865@swansea.ac.uk

Yosr Abid-Fourati
Technical and Practical Assistance to Development
Tunisia
Tel: +216 2328 0179
yosraf@tpadoffice.com

Hala Abou-Ali
Economic Research Forum (ERF)
Egypt
Tel: +202 3331 8606
habouali@erf.org.eg

Sultan Abou-Ali
Zagazig University
Egypt
Tel: +202 2291 2919
sabouali2007@yahoo.com

Khalid Abu Ismail
ESCWA
Lebanon
Tel: +961 197 8453
abu-ismail@un.org

Sevil Acar
Istanbul Kemerburgaz University
Turkey
Tel: +90 21 2604 0100
sevil.acar@kemerburgaz.edu.tr

Lahcen Achy
International Monetary Fund
USA
Tel: +1 202 623-7000
achyinsea@gmail.com

Doaa Aki Ahmed
University of Benha
Egypt
Tel: +2013 323 1012
doaa.ahmed01@fcom.bu.edu.eg

Ali Akarca
University of Illinois
USA
Tel: +1 773 208 1199
akarca@uic.edu

Abdlatif Al-Hamad
Arab Fund for Economic & Social Development (AFESD)
Kuwait
Tel: +965 495 9300
ohossam@arabfund.org

Ali Abdel Gadir Ali
Consultant
Egypt
Tel: +202 012 7514 4443
aagail@gmail.com

Mahmoud Al Iriani
Dubai Economic Council
UAE
Tel: +971 4208 8112
maliriani@dec.org.ae

Mohamad Al-Ississ
American University in Cairo
Egypt
Tel: +202 2615 1000
alississ@aucegypt.edu

Rania Al-Mashat
Central Bank of Egypt
Egypt
Tel: +202 2770 2770
rania.mashat@cbe.org.eg

Fatima Al Shamsi
Paris-Sorbonne University - Abu Dhabi
UAE
Tel: +971 2656 9108
falshamsi@psuad.ac.ae

Hassan Aly
Ohio State University and Doha Institute for Graduate Studies
USA
Tel: +1 61 4330 6021
aly.1@osu.edu

Mohmed Amara
University of Sousse
Tunisia
Tel: +216 7336 8130
Mohamed.amara.isg@gmail.com

Mohamed S. Amerah
City University
UAE
Tel: +971 5 0614 1107
amerah@cuca.ae
Abdessalem Aoun
Consultant
Tunisia
Tel: +216 5385 7665
a.aoun@laposte.net

Hassen Arouri
National Institute of Statistics
Tunisia
Tel: +216 71 891002
hassen.arouri@gmail.com

Abdurrahman Aydemir
Sabanci University
Turkey
Tel: +90 216 483 90 00
aaydemir@sabanciuniv.edu

Leila Baghdadi
University of Tunis
Tunisia
Tel: +216 7940 9333
leilabaghdadi@gmail.com

Mohamed Benabdallah
University of Tunis - El Manar
Tunisia
Tel: +216 9687 8332
mohamed.benabdallah@fsegt.rnu.tn

Mohamed Ayadi
University of Tunis
Tunisia
Tel: +216 9837 7467
mohamed.ayadi@isg.rnu.tn

Mohamed Benbouziane
University of Tunis
Tunisia
Tel: +213 5 6132 9868
mbenbouziane@yahoo.fr

Ahmet Atil Aşıcı
Istanbul Technical University
Turkey
Tel: +90 212 293 1300
asici@itu.edu.tr

Erik Berglof
University of London
United Kingdom
Tel: +44 20 7849 4918
c.berglof@lse.ac.uk

Izak Atiyas
Sabanci University
Turkey
Tel: +90 216 483 9241
izak@sabanciuniv.edu

Eva Bellin
Brandeis University
USA
Tel: +1 617 332 3039
ebellin@brandeis.edu

Sami Bibi
University of Laval
Canada
Tel: +1 418 656 3333
sami.bibi@ecn.ulaval.ca

Ragui Assaad
University of Minnesota
USA
Tel: +1 612 625 4856
assaad@umn.edu

Cem Baslevent
Istanbul Bilgi University
Turkey
Tel: +90 21 2311 6168
cbaslevent@ku.edu.tr

Abdelwahab Ben Hafaiedh
Applied Social Sciences Forum
Tunisia
a.benhafaiedh@assforum.org

Mohamed Benbouziane
University of Tunis
Tunisia
Tel: +213 5 6132 9868
mbenbouziane@yahoo.fr

May A. Attallah
Université de Rennes 1
France
Tel: +33 60 58 57 954
may.attallah@univ-rennes1.fr

Zouheir Bouchaddakh
University of Tunis
Tunisia
Tel: +216 9820 8768
z.bouchaddakh@fsegt.rnu.tn

Shereen Attia
British University in Egypt
Egypt
Tel: +202 2687 5892
shereen.essam.attia@gmail.com

Mohamed Mekki Ben Jemaa
University of Carthage
Tunisia
Tel: +216 5229 4692
mekki.bendjemaa@ept.rnu.tn

Abdelkader Boudriga
University of Carthage
Tunisia
Tel: +216 2686 0076
abdulkader.boudriga@fulbrightmail.org

Sami Bensassi
University of Birmingham
United Kingdom
Tel: +44 121 4144438
S.Bensassi@bham.ac.uk

Mongi Boughzala
University of Tunis El-Manar
Tunisia
Tel: +216 9832 3647
mhboughzala@gmail.com
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Name</th>
<th>Institution</th>
<th>Country</th>
<th>Phone</th>
<th>Email</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Anis Boujâama</td>
<td>Institut National de la Statistique</td>
<td>Tunisia</td>
<td>+216 7189 1002</td>
<td><a href="mailto:anis.boujaama@gmail.com">anis.boujaama@gmail.com</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Mine Cinar</td>
<td>Loyola University</td>
<td>USA</td>
<td>+1 312 915 6066</td>
<td><a href="mailto:mcinar@luc.edu">mcinar@luc.edu</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Nergiz Dincer</td>
<td>TED University</td>
<td>Turkey</td>
<td>+90 312 585 0038</td>
<td><a href="mailto:nergiz.dincer@tedu.edu.tr">nergiz.dincer@tedu.edu.tr</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Ghazi Boulila</td>
<td>Higher School of Economic and Commercial Sciences of Tunis</td>
<td>Tunisia</td>
<td>+216 9832 4869</td>
<td><a href="mailto:ghazi.bouilla@planet.tn">ghazi.bouilla@planet.tn</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Bruce Currier-Alder</td>
<td>International Development Research Centre (IDRC)</td>
<td>Egypt</td>
<td>+202 336 7051</td>
<td><a href="mailto:bcurrie-alder@idrc.ca">bcurrie-alder@idrc.ca</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Ishac Diwan</td>
<td>Paris-Dauphine University</td>
<td>France</td>
<td>+33 1 5324 1460</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Ishac_Diwan@hks.harvard.edu">Ishac_Diwan@hks.harvard.edu</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Melani Cammett</td>
<td>Harvard University</td>
<td>USA</td>
<td>+1 617 495 9849</td>
<td><a href="mailto:mcammett@gov.harvard.edu">mcammett@gov.harvard.edu</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Anda David</td>
<td>Paris-Dauphine University</td>
<td>France</td>
<td>+33 1 5324 1460</td>
<td><a href="mailto:david@dial.prd.fr">david@dial.prd.fr</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Mohamed Chaffai</td>
<td>Sfax University</td>
<td>Tunisia</td>
<td>+216 7427 8777</td>
<td><a href="mailto:mechaffai@gmail.com">mechaffai@gmail.com</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Meltem Dayioglu Tayfur</td>
<td>Middle East Technical University</td>
<td>Turkey</td>
<td>+90 312 210 3085</td>
<td><a href="mailto:dmeltem@metu.edu.tr">dmeltem@metu.edu.tr</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Houssem Eddine Chebbi</td>
<td>University of Tunis</td>
<td>Tunisia</td>
<td>+216 2252 3334</td>
<td><a href="mailto:chebbhihe@gmail.com">chebbhihe@gmail.com</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Raj Desai</td>
<td>Georgetown University</td>
<td>USA</td>
<td>+1 202 687 2925</td>
<td><a href="mailto:desair@georgetown.edu">desair@georgetown.edu</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Shantayanan Devarajan</td>
<td>World Bank</td>
<td>USA</td>
<td>+1 217 333 2681</td>
<td><a href="mailto:sdevarajan@worldbank.org">sdevarajan@worldbank.org</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Larry Diamond</td>
<td>Stanford University</td>
<td>USA</td>
<td>+1 650 724 6448</td>
<td><a href="mailto:ldiamond@stanford.edu">ldiamond@stanford.edu</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Fouzia Ejjanoui</td>
<td>Mohamed V University</td>
<td>Morocco</td>
<td>+212 6 6219 9388</td>
<td><a href="mailto:fozzia_ejjanoui@hotmail.com">fozzia_ejjanoui@hotmail.com</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Ibrahim A. ElBadawi</td>
<td>Dubai Economic Council</td>
<td>United Arab Emirates</td>
<td>+971 4 208 8112</td>
<td><a href="mailto:ielbadawi@dec.org.ae">ielbadawi@dec.org.ae</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Hoda El Enbaby</td>
<td>Economic Research Forum</td>
<td>Egypt</td>
<td>+202 333 18 672</td>
<td><a href="mailto:henbaby@erf.org.eg">henbaby@erf.org.eg</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Mahmoud El-Gamal</td>
<td>American University in Cairo</td>
<td>Egypt</td>
<td>+202 2615 1000</td>
<td><a href="mailto:el-gamal@aucegypt.edu">el-gamal@aucegypt.edu</a></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Amirah El-Haddad  
Cairo University  
Egypt  
Tel: +202 2572 9584  
amirah.elhaddad@feps.edu.eg

Riham Ahmed Ezzat  
University of Paris 1 Panthéon Sorbonne  
France  
Tel: +33 1 4407 8000  
Riham.Ahmed-Ezzat@univ-paris1.fr

Olfa Najoua Ghali  
University of Tunisia  
Tunisia  
Tel: +216 54 77 25 30  
olfa.ghali@gnet.tn

Safaa El-Kogali  
The World Bank  
USA  
Tel: +1 217 333 2681  
selkogali@worldbank.org

Fasmi Faicel  
Institute of High Commercial Studies of Sousse  
Tunisia  
Tel: +216 73 36 83 51  
gasmi.faicel@gmail.com

Sofiane Ghali  
University of Tunisia  
Tunisia  
Tel: +216 20 30 59 04  
Sofiane.ghali@gnet.tn

AbdelRahmen El Lahga  
University of Tunis  
Tunisia  
Tel: +216 9837 7467  
rahmen.lahga@gmail.com

Randall Filer  
Hunter College  
USA  
Tel: +1 212-772-4000  
rfiler@hunter.cuny.edu

Hafez Ghanem  
The World Bank  
USA  
Tel: +1 217 333 2681  
hghanem@worldbank.org

Abda Y. El-Mahdi  
Unicons Consultancy Ltd.  
Sudan  
Tel: +249 1 8359 0631  
abda@unicons.org

Benjamin Frey  
Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation  
Egypt  
Tel: +202 2795 1536  
benjamin.frey@sdc.net

Samir Ghazouani  
University of Manouba  
Tunisia  
Tel: +216 71 602 760  
samir.ghazouani@gmail.com

Nelly El Mallakh  
University of Paris 1 Panthéon Sorbonne  
France  
Tel: +33 1 4407 8000  
nelly.elmallakh@hotmail.com

Yvonne Giesing  
Ludwig-Maximilians-University  
Germany  
Tel: +49 0 157 7030 5833  
yvonne.giesing@econ.lmu.de

Ahmed Elsayed  
Institute for the Study of Labor  
Germany  
Tel: +49 22 8389 4161  
elsayed@iza.org

Mouhamad Goaied  
University of Tunis  
Tunisia  
Tel: +216 9837 7467  
m.goaied@planet.tn

Hadi Esfahani  
University of Illinois  
USA  
Tel: +1 217 333 2681  
esfahani@uiuc.edu

Wafik Grais  
Consultant  
France  
Tel: +33 4 56 35 53 36  
wgrais@gmail.com

Thouraya Hadj Amor Essidesa  
Monastir University  
Tunisia  
Tel: +216 9980 7686  
thuraya.hadjamor@gmail.com

Rami Galal  
University of London  
United Kingdom  
Tel: +44 20 7862 8000  
rami_galal@soas.ac.uk

Umut Gündüz  
Istanbul Technical University  
Turkey  
Tel: +90 212 293 1300  
gunduzu@gmail.com
Participants List

Mahmoud Haddad
University of Tennessee-Martin
USA
Tel: +1 731 881 7000
mhaddad@utm.edu

Mohamed Haddar
Tunisian Economic Association
Tunisia
haddar.mohamed@yahoo.fr

Houda Haffoudhi
University of Economics Management of Nabeul
Tunisia
Tel: +216 20 085 005
h_haffoudhi@yahoo.fr

Jamal Ibrahim Haidar
University of Paris 1
France
Tel: +33 1 4407 8000
haidar.jamal@gmail.com

Sam Hakim
The Institute for Independent Studies
USA
shakim@theiis.org

Hassan Hakimian
University of London
United Kingdom
Tel: +44 20 7898 4475
H.Hakimian@soas.ac.uk

Najib Harabi
University of Applied Sciences
Switzerland
Tel: +41 3 2424 4900
najib.harabi@fhnw.ch

Ali Hashemi
Ashland University
USA
Tel: +1 419 289 4142
ahashemi@ashland.edu

Omneia Helmy
Egyptian Center for Economic Studies
Egypt
Tel: +202 2461 9037
ohelmy@eces.org.eg

Rana Hendy
Economic Research Forum
Egypt
Tel: +202 333 18 600
rhendy@erf.org.eg

Amr Hosny
International Monetary Fund
USA
Tel: +1 202 623 4472
ahosny@imf.org

Hind Hourmat Allah
Marrakech University
Morocco
Tel: +212 5 2443 4885
hourmat_hind@yahoo.fr

Melise Jaud
The World Bank
USA
Tel: +1 217 333 2681
mjaud@worldbank.org

Walid Jebili
Enda Inter-Arabe
Tunisia
Tel: +216 98 773 033
walid.jebili@endarabe.org.tn

Hatem Jemmali
University of Sousse
Tunisia
Tel: +216 7336 8130
hatemjemmali79@gmail.com

Hanife Deniz Karaoglan
Middle East Technical University
Turkey
Tel: +90 312 210 30 69
kadeniz@metu.edu.tr

Zouhour Karray
University of Tunis
Tunisia
Tel: +216 252 6706
Zouhour.karray@topnet.tn

Massoud Karshenas
University of London
United Kingdom
Tel: +44 20 7898 4535
mk@soas.ac.uk

Youssouf Kiendrebeogo
The World Bank
USA
Tel: +1 202 779 4665
ykiendrebeogo@worldbank.org

Bassma Kodmani
Arab Reform Initiative
France
Tel: +339 5134 0528
b.kodmani@arab-reform.net

Caroline Krafft
University of Minnesota
USA
Tel: +1 612 625 5000
kraff004@umn.edu

Farouk Kria
National Council of Statistics
Tunisia
president@cns.tn

Mohammed Kriaa
ISG Tunisia
Tunisia
Tel: +216 5308 8810
mohamed.kriaa@gmail.com
Hendrik Kruse  
Georg-August University  
Germany  
Tel: +49 5 5139 5103  
hendrikward.kruse@stud.uni-goettingen.de

Samir Makdisi  
American University of Beirut  
Lebanon  
Tel: +961 1 74 4485  
makdisi@aub.edu.lb

Hanen Morsy  
European Bank  
for Reconstruction and Development  
United Kingdom  
Tel: +44 078 8101 3775  
morsyh@ebrd.com

Atif A. Kubursi  
McMaster University  
Canada  
Tel: +1 905 334 1745  
kubursi@gmail.com

Mohamed Ali Marouani  
University Paris1-Panthéon-Sorbonne  
France  
Tel: +33 1 4407 8000  
mohamed-ali.marouani@univ-paris1.fr

Imen Mouaddeb  
University of Tunis  
Tunisia  
Tel: +216 9779 5982  
i_imen2006@yahoo.fr

Hedi Larbi  
Former Minister of Infrastructure and Sustainable Development  
Tunisia  
hedilarb@gmail.com

Tarek Masoud  
Harvard University  
USA  
Tel: +1 617 496 3036  
Tarek_Masoud@Harvard.edu

Hamadi Matoussi  
Manouba University  
Tunisia  
Tel: +216 7085 0076  
hamadi.matoussi@iscae.rnu.tn

Mahmoud Sami Nabi  
University of Carthage  
Tunisia  
Tel: +216 53 818 116  
mahmoudsami.nabi@ept.rnu.tn

Olivier Lavinal  
The World Bank  
USA  
Tel: +1 202 458 4342  
olavinal@worldbank.org

Mohamed Matoussi  
University of Tunis, El Manar  
Tunisia  
Tel: +216 7187 1564  
msmat@gnet.tn

Mustapha Nabli  
Economic Research Forum  
Tunisia  
Tel: +216 7112 2000  
mknabli@gmail.com

Imed Limam  
Arab Fund for Economic & Social Development (AFESD)  
Kuwait  
Tel: +965 495 9300  
illimam@arabfund.org

Wided Mattoussi  
University of Jendouba  
Tunisia  
Tel: +216 2539 3123  
wided.mattouasse@gmail.com

Sonia Naccache  
University Tunis El Manar  
Tunisia  
Tel: +216 5252 1577  
sonia1.naccache@gmail.com

Maryse Louis  
FEMISE  
France  
Tel: +33 4 9131 5195  
m.louis@femise.org

Lassaad Mbarek  
Central Bank of Tunisia  
Tunisia  
Tel: +216 2024 0636  
lassenad.mbarek@bct.gov.tn

Hanan Nazier  
Cairo University  
Egypt  
Tel: +202 3571 8899  
Hanan.nazier@feps.edu.eg

Samir Baha-Eddine Malik  
University of Tlemcen  
Algeria  
Tel: +213 5 5517 281  
sb_maliki@mail.univ-tlemcen.dz

Kamiar Mohaddes  
University of Cambridge  
United Kingdom  
Tel: +44 12 2333 5267  
km418@cam.ac.uk

Jeffrey Nugent  
University of Southern California  
USA  
Tel: +1 213 740 2107  
nugent@usc.edu
Participants List

Hulisi Öğüt
TOBB University Of Economics & Technology
Turkey
Tel: +90 312 292 4218
hogut@etu.edu.tr

Hossam Omar
Arab Fund for Economic & Social Development (AFESD)
Kuwait
Tel: +965 495 9300
ohossam@arabfund.org

Fatih Ozatay
TOBB University of Economics and Technology
Turkey
Tel: +90 312 292 5574
fatih.ozatay@etu.edu.tr

Bob Rijkers
The World Bank
USA
Tel: +1 202 473 0426
brijkers@worldbank.org

Reham Rizk
The British University in Egypt
Egypt
Tel: +20 0100 569 4722
reham.rizk@bue.edu.eg

Gerard Roland
University of California
USA
Tel: +1 510 642 4321
groland@econ.berkeley.edu

John E. Roemer
Yale University
USA
Tel: +1 203 432 5249
john.roemer@yale.edu

Adam Przeworski
New York University
USA
Tel: +1 212 998 3707
adam.przeworski@nyu.edu

Khalid Sekkat
University of Brussels
Belgium
Tel: +32 477 78 20 35
ksekkat@ulb.ac.be

Hoda Selim
Economic Research Forum
Egypt
Tel: +202 333 18 600
hselim@erf.org.eg

Donia Smaali Bouhlila
University Tunis El Manar
Tunisia
Tel: +216 7187 2253
donia.smaali@hexabyte.tn

Marwa Souissi
University Tunis El Manar
Tunisia
Tel: +216 7187 2253
marwa.souissi@voila.fr

Tamer Taha
United Nations University-Maastricht
The Netherlands
Tel: +32 477 78 20 35
ksekkat@ulb.ac.be

Aysit Tansel
Middle East Technical University
Turkey
Tel: +90 312 210 2057
atansel@metu.edu.tr

Bedri Kamil Onur Tas
TOBB University of Economics and Technology
Turkey
Tel: +90 312 292 4112
onurtas@etu.edu.tr

Tahar Tayachi
Effat University
Saudi Arabia
Tel: +966 2636 4300
ttayachi@effatuniversity.edu.sa

Raed Safadi
OECD
France
Tel: +33 45 24 8912
raed.SAFADI@oecd.org

Hatem Salah
University of Manouba
Tunisia
Tel: +216 7160 1350
ha.salah@fsingt.rnu.tn

Maha Rabbat
Middle East and North Africa Policy Health Forum
Egypt
Tel: +202 333 18 629
maha.rabbat@menahpf.org

Racha Ramadan
Cairo University
Egypt
Tel: +20 010 127 3506
racha.ramadan@feps.edu.eg

Djavad Salehi-Isfahani
Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University
Tunisia
Tel: +1 540 231 7697
salehi@vt.edu
Participants

Ghada Tayem
University of Jordan
Jordan
Tel: +962 6 535 5000
g.tayem@ju.edu.jo

Ayça Tekin-Koru
TED University
Turkey
Tel: +90 312 585 0034
ayca.tekinkoru@tedu.edu.tr

Subidey Togan
Bilkent University
Turkey
Tel: +90 532 299 1582
togan@bilkent.edu

Mohamed Trabelsi
Dubai Economic Council
United Arab Emirates
Tel: +971 050 714 5758
trabelsim2011@gmail.com

Constantin Tsakas
Femise
France
Tel: +33 4 9131 5195
c.tsakas@femise.org

Insan Tunali
Koc University
Turkey
Tel: +90 21 2338 1427
itunal@ku.edu.tr

W
Jackline Wahba
University of Southampton
United Kingdom
Tel: +44 2380 593996
J.Wahba@soton.ac.uk

Y
Canan Yildirim
Kadir Has University
Turkey
Tel: +90 212 533 6532
canan.yildirim@khas.edu.tr

Tarik Yousef
Silatech
Qatar
Tel: +974 4499 4800
tyousef@silatech.com

Hoda Youssef
Researcher
United Kingdom
Tel: +44 7 79 34 87347
hodayoussef@hotmail.com

Press

Eman El Eraqi
Al Ahram
Egypt
eman_eraqi@hotmail.com

Abd El Aziz El Masry
El Watan Newspaper
Egypt
elmasry_abdelaziz@hotmail.com

Mesbah Kotb
El Masry El Youm
Egypt
mesbahkotb@gmail.com

Rasha Nabil
Dream TV
Egypt
rashanabil78@live.com

Niveen Wahish
Al Ahram Weekly
Egypt
nwahish@yahoo.com

Z
Chahir Zaki
Cairo University
Egypt
Tel: +202 3331 8646
chahir.zaki@feps.edu.eg

Inma Martinez Zarzoso
Georg-August-University of Göttingen
Germany
Tel: +49 5 5139 9770
imartin@gwdg.de

Hbib Zitouna
Ecole Polytechnique de Tunisie
Tunisia
Tel: +216 2171 2525
hzitouna@gmail.com

Abdallah Zouache
Sciences Po Lille
France
Tel: +33 47742 1957
abdallah.zouache@sciencespo-lille.eu
Management and Staff

Management
Ahmed Galal
Managing Director

Marwa Afifi
Executive Assistant to
Managing Director

Research
Hala Abou-Ali
Project Leader

Hoda El Enbaby
Researcher

Yasmine Fahim
Senior Programs Officer

Yasmine Fekry
Statistician

Rana Hendy
Economist

Maryse Louis
Program Manager

Ramage Nada
Program Assistant

Aalaa Naguib
Program Assistant

Heba Omar
Research Assistant/Statistician

Hoda Selim
Economist

Christiane Wissa
Statistical Consultant

Chahir Zaki
Economist

Communications
Hoda Azmi
Conference Manager

Ahmed Goher
Editor

Dina Manna
Communications Assistant

Namees Nabeel
Communications Manager

Administration and Finance
Mohamed Youssri
Director of Finance and Administration

Mohamed Aladdine
Accountant

Anais Hagopian
Senior Administrative Officer

Sherif Osama
Senior Accountant

Rana Saied
Administrative Assistant

Contact Information
Address: 21 Al-Sad Al-Aaly St. Dokki, Giza, Egypt
Tel: +202 333 18 600 - 603
Fax: +202 333 18 604
Email: erf@erf.org.eg
Website: www.erf.org.eg
Thank you for attending ERF’s 21st Annual Conference. We would love to hear your thoughts and feedback to improve our future events. Please help us by completing the form below by ticking the appropriate box for each statement. Kindly return your completed feedback form to the registration desk.

### Overall Evaluation

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th></th>
<th>Strongly Agree</th>
<th>Agree</th>
<th>Neutral</th>
<th>Disagree</th>
<th>Strongly Disagree</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1. The main theme was well selected and covered</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2. The agenda was well structured</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3. I will use what I learnt in this conference in my future research</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4. There was enough time for feedback and discussions</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5. Overall, I am satisfied with this conference</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

### Plenary Sessions

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th></th>
<th>Strongly Agree</th>
<th>Agree</th>
<th>Neutral</th>
<th>Disagree</th>
<th>Strongly Disagree</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>6. The topic was engaging and interesting</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>7. The speakers were knowledgeable and well-prepared about the subject</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>8. Discussions from the floor were helpful</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

### Parallel Sessions

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th></th>
<th>Strongly Agree</th>
<th>Agree</th>
<th>Neutral</th>
<th>Disagree</th>
<th>Strongly Disagree</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>9. The topics were engaging and interesting</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10. The speakers were knowledgeable and well-prepared about the subject</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>11. The discussants did a good job and their comments were useful</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>12. Discussions from the floor were helpful</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

### Logistics

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th></th>
<th>Strongly Agree</th>
<th>Agree</th>
<th>Neutral</th>
<th>Disagree</th>
<th>Strongly Disagree</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>13. Travel and accommodation was well organized</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>14. My stay at the hotel was enjoyable</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>15. My airport pickup was punctual and smooth</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>16. The conference material and handouts were useful and relevant</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

### Additional comments and suggestions for improvement

Name: (Optional) __________________________________________________________


Feedback Form

Additional comments and suggestions for improvement