



**HILARY TERM 2019 EVENTS PROGRAMME**

**MEC FRIDAY SEMINAR SERIES**

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Time: 5:00pm

Venue: Investcorp Lecture Theatre, St Antony's College

**Week 1 - 18 January**

*Applying shari'a in modern times: Some reflections from 19th century Egypt*  
Khaled Fahmy (Cambridge University)

**Week 2 - 25 January**

*The Middle East: Should We Give Up?*  
Joost Hiltermann (International Crisis Group)

**Week 3 - 1 February**

*European policy on the Middle East: Making a difference?*  
Nick Westcott (SOAS University of London)

**Jointly organised with the European Studies Centre (ESC)**

**Week 4 - 8 February**

*The Iraq War Inquiry –  
A study in contemporary political, diplomatic, military and reconstruction history*  
Sir John Chilcot

**Week 5 - 15 February**

*Title: tbc*  
Abbas Kadhim (Atlantic Council)

**Week 6 - 22 February**

*Title: tbc*  
Heba Morayef (Amnesty International)

**Week 7 - 1 March**

*Lebanon and the twenty-first century: populism, neoliberalism, and their discontents*  
Andrew Arsan (University of Cambridge)

**Week 8 - 8 March**

*Inside Tunisia's al-Nahda: Between Politics and Preaching*  
Rory McCarthy (Magdalen College, Oxford)



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## WOMEN'S RIGHTS RESEARCH SEMINARS

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Time: 2:00pm

Venue: Board Room, Kirdar Building, Middle East Centre, St Antony's College

**Week 3 - Wednesday, 30 January**

*tbc*

**Week 6 - Wednesday, 20 February**

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## OTHER EVENTS

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Venue: Investcorp Lecture Theatre, St Antony's College (unless stated otherwise)

**Week 3 - Tuesday, 29 January – 5pm**

*The Rise of the Egyptian Middle Class*

*Economic Mobility and Public Discontent from Nasser to Sadat*

Relli Shechter (St Antony's College)

**Venue: MEC Board Room**

**Week 5- Tuesday, 12 February – 5pm**

Panel discussion

*Disputes on Alcohol in The Middle East*

Elife Biçer-Deveci (St Antony's College)

Philippe Bourmaud (Jean Moulin University Lyon 3)

Nicolas Elias ((French School at Athens)

**Week 6 - Saturday, 23 February- 9am**

Conference

*Conversation with the Diaspora: The Future of South Sudan*

**Venue: Nissan Lecture Theatre**

**Jointly organised with the Sudanese Programme**

**Week 7 - Monday, 25 February – 5pm**

Book Launch and Panel Discussion

*Women and Social Change in North Africa: What Counts as Revolutionary?*

Dr Imane Chaara (QEH Oxford)

Dr Doris Gray (Al Akhawayn University)

Dr Nadia Sonneveld (Radboud University)

**Week 7 - Thursday, 28 February – 5pm**

*Revolution in Iran 1978-1979:*

*Assessments and Reassessments upon the Fortieth Anniversary*

Touraj Atabaki (International Institute of Social History, Amsterdam)

Stephanie Cronin (University of Oxford)

Siaavush Ranjbar Daemi (University of St Andrews)

**Venue: Nissan Lecture Theatre**

**Week 8 - Tuesday, 5 March – 5pm**

*Iran and sanctions*

Zep Kalb (UCLA) and James Landale (BBC)

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