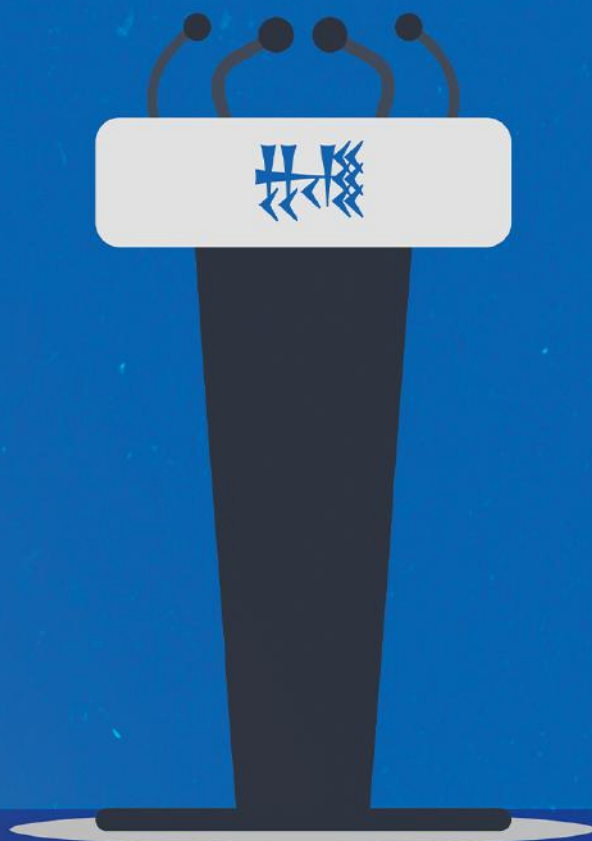


IRAQ POLITICAL SCIENCE DAY

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WELCOME TO THE FIRST IRAQ POLITICAL SCIENCE DAY!

Since the fall of the Ba'ath regime, many Iraqi and Iraqi-Kurdish universities have developed Political Science and International Relations programmes to conceptualize political developments in Iraqi-Kurdish and Iraqi politics, as well as in the Middle East and globally. Iraq has also an interesting field of research for international political scientists since 2003.

The Iraq Political Science Day brings together for the first time students, professors and researchers from political science departments from different parts of Iraq to create a space for exchange and discussion. Different research projects of students and instructors will be presented, but also questions of the development of our discipline in the political and academic landscape of Iraq will be discussed. We are looking forward to the presentations in English, Arabic and Kurdish, which will be interpreted simultaneously.

We are proud that for this first Iraq Political Science Day we have brought together a total of seven universities with departments of Political Science and/or International Relations from Baghdad, Erbil and Suleimani and that students and faculty from other universities will also be present as speakers.

The event is open to anyone interested. No registration is needed

Agenda

Welcoming remarks 9.00

Dr Zana Ibrahim (Interim President of the University of Kurdistan Hewlêr)

Dr Yadgar Kamal Ahmmad (Program Director of the Department of Political Science, University of Kurdistan Hewlêr)

Organizational remarks 9.20

Dr Thomas Schmidinger (Associate Professor, University of Kurdistan Hewlêr)

Panel I: International Political Economy 9.30 – 10.45

Chair: Dr Martin Beck (Professor, University of Kurdistan Hewlêr)

Sarraa Al-Ameri: Natural Gas and Geopolitical Vulnerability: The Case of Iraq in a Shifting Global Energy Order

Mohammed Kawa Rasul / Ali Mohammed Salih / Ali Wissam Foad / Khawan Rahim / Sat Araz Najeeb: Iraq's Petroleum Future: Sustainable Policies for Economic and Environmental Stability

Bret Windhauser: Smugglers as Moral Agents in International Politics

Abrar Jawad Al-Tameme: The U.S- China Tariff war and its role in reshaping international alliances

Coffee break 10.45 – 11.00

Panel II: Regional Politics 11.00 – 12.30

Chair: Dr Elizabeth Bishop (Dean of College of International Studies, American University of Iraq – Baghdad)

Khadeja Askanar: The Impact of Shiite Islam on Iranian Foreign Policy: Ideology, Pragmatism, and Statecraft

Saja Abbas: The Impact of Regional Powers on Iraqi Sovereignty: Assessing the Interests of Iran, Turkey, and the United States

Dr Saif Nassrat Tawfiq / Karrar Noori Hammed: The Red Sea Region Between Importance and Points of Competition: A Geopolitical Vision

Noor Omer: AI-Powered Defense in the Middle East: Opportunities and Risks in the Region's New Security Order

Alabbas F. Alsudani: From Passive to Active: The Evaluation of Iraq Post-2003

Lunch break 12.30 – 13.00

Panel III: Governance 13.00 – 14.15

Chair: Stam K. Saeed (Director, Center for Pedagogical Training, University of Sulaimani)

Dr Zeidon Alkinani: Iraq's Divided Majoritarian Democracy

Rand Luay Abdalhudee: The effectiveness of women's Quota: Selected Regional Study

Dr Waleed Msahir Hamad / Dr Dhahir Abdullah Alwan: Artificial Intelligence and its Role in Good Governance (UAE as an Example)

Zina Ayub Bakr: Analyzing the Evolution of South Korea's Democracy and Its Impact on Citizens

Coffee break 14.15 – 14.30

Panel IV: Iraq society and politics 14.30 – 16.00

Chair: Dr Hisham Ezz El-Din (Assistant Professor, University of Baghdad)

Ziyad Alu Attallah Hamad: Ethnic and Religious Diversity and Their Impact on Iraq's Foreign Policy Post-2010

Reem Arif: Tribes and Democracy in Iraq: Are Iraqi Tribes a Steppingstone on the Path to Democracy?

Abdulla Al-Kalisy: Iraqi Citizenship from below: An analysis of the Tishreen Movement

Zinah Abbas M. Saadi: Enhancing Healthcare and Representation for People with Disabilities in Iraq

Mohammed Haider: Constitutional Contradictions and Judicial Paralysis in Iraq: A Legal Critique of the 2005 Constitution

Coffee break 16.00 – 16.15

Panel V: The Kurdistan Region and disputed territories of Iraq 16.15 – 17.45

Chair: Muhammad Sharif Ebrahimi (Head of the Department of International Relations, Catholic University in Erbil)

Shatu Omeh Ahmed: Does journalism work as an effective watchdog in the Kurdistan Region of Iraq?

Edith Szanto: Learning about Politics at the First American Style University in Iraq: The Evolution of International Studies

Hazim Ali Ramadhan / Basida Haidar Anwar / Dastan O. Mahmood: Challenges Facing the Political Participation of University Students: A Field Study at Koya University

Osamah Basil: Sinjar, A point of regional power struggles and the complexities of post-conflict stabilization

Shwan Bapir: The Institutionalisation of Political Resilience: How the KDP and PUK Maintain Rule in the Kurdistan Region of Iraq

Coffee break 17.45 – 18.00

Discussion Panel: Political Science in Iraq – State of the Art 18.00 – 19.00

Chair: Dr Thomas Schmidinger (Associate Professor, University of Kurdistan Hewlêr)

Panelists:

Dr Jalal Mistaffa (Dean of the College of Political Science, University of Sulaimani)

Dr Beastun Omer Nuri (Head of the Department of International Relations, Salahaddin University)

Dr Mohammed Salih (Head of International Relations and Diplomacy, Tishk University)

Dr Hala S. Yousif (Professor, University of Baghdad)