Scientific Conference:  
*Understanding Arab Mediterranean Youth*

**MONDAY, 16th MAY 2016**
AUC Tahrir Campus, Oriental Hall
Cairo, Egypt

**09.00 – 09.30  WELCOME CONFERENCE**

Dr. Elena Sánchez-Montijano, SAHWA Scientific Coordinator, CIDOB (Spain)
Dr. Bahgat Korany, AUC Forum (Egypt)

**09.30 – 11.15  SESSION 1: Youth Opportunities in the Arab Mediterranean countries**

*Each presentation will last 15 minutes.*

- Dr. Ali Fakih, LAU (Lebanon). Economic structures and policies and their effect on labour market opportunities for the poor and marginalised.
- Dr. Asuman Göksel, METU (Turkey). Tackling youth unemployment in the Arab Mediterranean Countries: Policy problems versus policy instruments.
- Dr. Driss Ksikes, HEM-CESEM (Morocco). Youth and informal economy in the Arab Mediterranean countries.
- Dr. Kenneth Roberts, ULIV (UK). Use of free time by young people.
- Dr. José Sánchez García, UdL (Spain). From school to labour: Young transitions in 5 Arab Mediterranean countries.

**Moderator: Ms. Ummuhan Bardak, ETF (Italy)**

**11.15 - 11.45  Coffee break**

**11.45 – 13.15  SESSION 2: Youth Engagement in the Arab Mediterranean countries**

*Each presentation will last 15 minutes.*

- Dr. Nadine Sika, AUC (Egypt). Youth Civic and Political Engagement in the South East Mediterranean Countries
- Dr. Bahgat Korany / Mr. Mostafa El Sayyad, AUC Forum (Egypt). Youth political engagement during the Arab spring in Egypt and Tunisia.
- Dr. Karim Maiche, FYRN (Finland). Disinterest of politics of the Arab-Mediterranean youth.
- Dr. Siyka Kovacheva, PLOVDIV (Bulgaria). Recruitment of youth political elites during transformations in Eastern Europe and in the Arab Mediterranean countries: a comparative approach.

**Moderator: Dr. Emma Murphy, Durham University (UK)**

**13.15 – 14.30  Lunch**
14.30 – 15.30 **SESSION 3: Arab Mediterranean Youth Through Gender Perspectives**  
Each presentation will last 15 minutes.

- **Dr. Soukeïna Bouraoui**, CAWTAR (Tunisia). Women’s school-to-work transition in Arab Mediterranean countries.
- **Dr. Ghada Barsoum / Ms. Basma Serag**, AUC Forum (Egypt). The role of women during the Arab spring.

**Moderator: Ms. Gemma Aubarell**, Anna Lindh Foundation (Egypt)

15.30 - 16.00 Coffee break

16.00 - 17.30 **SESSION 4: Migration and Mobility in Arab Mediterranean Countries**  
Each presentation will last 15 minutes.

- **Dr. Kamel Boucherf**, CREAD (Algeria). Impact of the socio-economic conditions and the perception of migration issues among young people.
- **Dr. Ali Fakih**, LAU (Lebanon). Impact of migration and mobility on the labour market.
- **Dr. Elena Sánchez-Montijano**, CIDOB (Spain). Transnational relationships and political engagement between Arab youth and migrants.
- **Dr. Jochen Tholen**, BREMEN (Germany). Migration of young people in five AMCs. Impact on socio-economic developments in the outgoing countries.

**Moderator: Dr. Ibrahim Awad**, AUC (Egypt)

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