The Fourth Global Conference on Public Policy and Administration in the Middle East

December 5-7, 2015

Conference Chair: Hamid Ali

Hosted by the
Department of Public Policy and Administration
American University in Cairo
Cairo, Egypt
Saturday, December 5, 2015

8:30 – 9:30  Conference Registration and Breakfast  
Location: New Cairo Campus – CVC P022 – Gate 4

9:30 – 10:00  Welcome and Opening Remarks  
Word from Hamid Ali, Conference Chair  
Word from Dean Nabil Fahmy, School of Global Affairs and Public Policy  
Word from Dr. Alexander Dawoody, President and Founder of AMEPPA  
Location: New Cairo Campus – CVC P022 – Gate 4

10:00 - 11:30  Session 1A: Institutions, Accountability and Civil Society  
Location: New Cairo Campus – CVC P022 – Gate 4  
Panel Moderator: Jennifer Bremer
  - “Public Service Reform in Somaliland” by Mohamed Mihilie, Hassen Abdi Meder, Guled Oumar Said, and Abdirahman Mahamud Maxamed
  - “Civil Society Education and Lebanese Institution of Higher Education: An Initial Review” by Thomas Haasse and Tania Hadad
  - “Policies for the Government of Reform” by Farah Diaa Hussen Mubarak
  - “Inclusive Maybe but Elusive Definitely” by Abeer Rashdan

Session 1B: Institutions, Accountability and Civil Society  
Location: New Cairo Campus – CVC P020 – Gate 4  
Panel Moderator: Hamid Ali
  - “Contemplating Contemporary Meanings and Mechanisms with Special Focus on Budgeting and Resource Allocations Through Citizen Participation” by Azza Zermani
  - “The Accountability of the Egyptian Administrative Organizations towards Citizens: A Content Analysis of Newspaper Complaints Published in the Barid Al Ahram Newspaper from 2003-2008” by Yasmine Rouby
  - “Towards Better Public Policy: Public Participation in Public Policy Case Studies on Egypt’s Right to Information Draft Law and National Plan” by Yasmine Khodary
12:00 - 1:30  **Session 2: Ethnic Power Relation Conflict**  
Location: New Cairo Campus – CVC P022 – Gate 4  
Panel Moderator: Alexander Dawoody  
- “Intercultural Dialogue: The Guarantor of Peace and Political Value” by Alimusa Ibrahimov  
- “The Kurdish dilemma in Iraq: Ethnic Inequality or Poor Governance?” by Ahmed Fawaz  
- “Defense Spending and Ethnic Inequality” by Hamid Ali  
- “Ideology and Violence: Ethnic Targeting and One-Sided Violence in the Middle East” by Simon Hug and Mohamed Aghdam

1:30-2:30  **Keynote Speech and Lunch**  
By: Ali Farazmand  
*Professor and Founder and Editor in Chief of Public Organization Review, and Editor in Chief of International Journal of Public Administration*  
Location: New Cairo Campus – CVC P022 – Gate 4

2:30 - 4:00  **Session 3: Leadership and Empowerment**  
Location: New Cairo Campus – CVC P022 – Gate 4  
Panel Moderator: Laila El Baradei  
- “A New Model for Using Personalized Health Solution for Health Policy Formulation” by Ahmed Gomaa  
- “Projects' Approach to Execute Public Policies Case studies: Projects in the Field of Educational Policies” by Maged R. Botros  
- “The Transformational Leadership and its Characteristics aCase Study of one of the University Educational Institutions in Egypt” by Yasmin Alaa  
- “Decentralized Management” by Farah Diaa Hussen Mubarak

**Sunday, December 6, 2015**

10:00 - 11:30  **Session 1A: Conflict and Accountability**  
Location: New Cairo Campus – CVC P019 – Gate 4  
Panel Moderator: Hamid Ali  
- “The Interplay between Policy and Politics in Combatting Terrorism: The Case of Lebanon (2011-2015)” by Hiba Khodr and Carla Maria Issa  
- “Accountability Intermediaries’ Perceptions on Citizen Voice in Egypt and the Arab Region” by Dina Wafa  
- “Freedom of Information A Policy for a More Transparent, Less Corrupt Egypt” by Basma Serag
Session 1B: Conflict and Accountability
Location: New Cairo Campus – CVC P020 – Gate 4
Panel Moderator: Ibrahim Awad
- “Iraq’s Foreign Public Policy: A New Concept to Enhance the Impact of Public Policy on Foreign Policy in Iraq” by Duraid Abbas Ahmed and Qahtan Khairallah Athab
- “Russia: Prospects for a New Legacy in the Global Power Game” by Nihal El Shimy
- “Islamophobia and Discrimination as Roots of Radicalization” by Vadim R. Atnashev

11:45 1:15  
Session 2: Social Media and E-Government
Location: New Cairo Campus – CVC P019 – Gate 4
Panel Moderator: Shahjahan Bhuiyan
- “Public Procurement System and E-Government Implementation in Bangladesh” by Shakeel Ahmed
- “Online Alert Management System – Public-Private integration Model” by Ahmed Gomaa
- “How Moderate Muslims are Using Social Media to Make their Case about Terrorism” by Warigia Bowman
- “The Impact of Political Satire on the Balance of Political Powers of Egypt” by Sally Barsoum

1:15-2:00  
Break

2:00 - 3:30  
Session 3: Urban Issues
Location: New Cairo Campus – CVC P019 – Gate 4
Panel Moderator: Noura Wahby
- “The Determinants of Citizen's Satisfaction in the Water Public Service The Case Study of the Governorate of Fayoum” by Mona Salem El Rassass
- “A Tale of Everyday Resistance: Street Vendors and the Contestation of Urban Space in Cairo” by Giulio Regeni
- “Understanding Community Self-Help and Implications for Urban Infrastructure Policies” by Noura Wahby
- “Liminal Informality - The Critical Intersection between Top Down Bottom Up Urbanism in Mokattam, Cairo” by Anna Rowell

3:45 – 5:00  
Session 4: Social Equity
Location: New Cairo Campus – CVC P019 – Gate 4  
Panel Moderator: Warigia Bowman
- ‘Policies and Resettlers’ Perception: Evidence from Southern
Transport Development Project in Sri Lanka” by So Morikawa
- “Moroccan Government and Social Equity” by Kholoud El Baz
- “The Reality of Governance in the Palestinian Formal Judiciary in the West Bank” by Mohamed Awad
- “Challenging White Beards: Critical Thinking Curricula in Rule of Law Capacity Building” by Lynda Boswell, Barron Helgoe, and Aimal Murady

Monday, December 7, 2015

10:00 - 11:30  Session 1: Transparency and Individual Rights
Location: New Cairo Campus – CVC P019 – Gate 4
Panel Moderator: Thomas Haase
- “Egyptian Judiciary as a Maker of Public Policies: The Drawbacks and the Gains” by Sayed Aly Abu Farha
- “Media Advocacy and Social Change: The Case of Sexual Harassment in Egypt” by Naglaa Beshay
- “Whistle Blowing in Egypt: Three Case Studies and the Way Forward towards a More Enabling Environment for Egyptian Whistle Blowers” by Ashraf Badawi
- “The Role of Non-governmental Organizations in Policy Making: the Case of Anti-Sexual Harassment Legislation in Egypt” by Injie Swailam

11:30 - 10:00  Session 2: Governance Issues
Location: New Cairo Campus – CVC P019 – Gate 4
Panel Moderator: Samir Rihani
- “Access to Information Law in Egypt: Needs and Trials” by Radwa Samy Mohamed
- “Good Governance: A New Perspective for Institutional Reform A Comparative View of the Education, Health and Water Sectors in Egypt” by Yasmin Khodary
- “Governance in Healthcare System– Case Study from Egypt” by Omkolthoum El Sayed and Wageda Anwar

1:00 – 2:00  Break
2:00 – 3:30  
**Session 3: Inclusive Growth, Accountability and Women Role**
Location: New Cairo Campus – CVC P019 – Gate 4
Panel Moderator: Ghada Barsoum
- “The Role of Governance in Making Growth Inclusive: a Data Mining Approach” by Nahla M. El-Sebai
- “The Impact of Iraqi Isolation on the Political Stability of the Country” by Wafaa Lotfy
- “The Changing Role of Women Under Recent Constitutional Changes in Morocco and Egypt” by Warigia Bowman

3:30 – 4:00  
**Closing Remarks**
By: Hamid Ali
Location: New Cairo Campus – CVC P019 – Gate 4