



Series on The Nationalization Of The Workforce In The GCC Countries WORKSHOP I

AGENDA
VENUE: INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL
27-29 NOVEMBER 2010

FRIDAY 26 NOVEMBER

8:30-10:30 PM **ARRIVAL RECEPTION**
Intercontinental Hotel
BINYAS MAJLIS ROOM, LOCATED IN THE LOBBY

DAY 1

SATURDAY 27 NOVEMBER

6:30 – 8:30 AM **BREAKFAST FOR HOTEL GUESTS**
Intercontinental Hotel
SELECTIONS RESTAURANT, 3RD FLOOR

8:30 – 9:00 AM **REGISTRATION AND COFFEE**
Intercontinental Hotel
AL WAHA, MARINA LEVEL

9:00 – 9:30 AM **WELCOME REMARKS**
Ivan Szelenyi, Dean of Social Sciences - NYUAD

OPENING REMARKS
Samira Atallah - New York University

9:30 – 11:15 AM **SESSION 1**
Contemporary Socio-Political Issues of The Arab Gulf Moment
Speaker: Abdulkhaleq Abdulla - UAE University
Moderator: Ibrahim Awad - American University of Cairo

11:15 – 11:35 AM **BREAK & REFRESHMENTS**

11:35 – 1:20 PM **SESSION 2**
How to spend it: Gulf oil wealth, economic diversification and the domestic energy challenge
Speaker: Eckart Woertz - Princeton University, New Jersey
Moderator: Ibrahim Saif - Economic and Social Council, Jordan

- 1:20 – 2:30 PM** **LUNCH**
Intercontinental Hotel
BOCCACCIO, Marina Level
- 2:30 – 4:15 PM** **SESSION 3**
The civil society movement in the Arab Gulf states
Speaker: Sultan Sooud Al Qassemi - Dubai School of Government
Moderator: Rima Sabban - Zayed University, Dubai
- 4:15 – 4:35 PM** **BREAK & REFRESHMENTS**
- 4:35 – 6:20 PM** **SESSION 4**
Do demographic and social development dynamics in the GCC facilitate the nationalization of the labor force?
Speaker: François Farah - United Nations Population Fund
Moderator: Nasra Shah - Kuwait University
- 8:00 PM** **DINNER**
Intercontinental Hotel
PRIVATE ROOM, FISH MARKET

DAY 2
SUNDAY 28 NOVEMBER

- 6:30 – 8:00 AM** **BREAKFAST FOR HOTEL GUESTS**
Intercontinental Hotel
SELECTIONS RESTAURANT, 3RD FLOOR
- 9:00 – 9:30 AM** **COFFEE**
Intercontinental Hotel
AL WAHA, MARINA LEVEL
- 9:30 – 11:15 AM** **SESSION 5**
Post-oil knowledge: the acquisition of global human capital and the creation of local development capacity in the Arab Gulf States
Speaker: Michael C. Ewers -Texas A&M University
Moderator: Mohamed Al Waqfi - UAE University, Al Ain
- 11:15 – 11:35 AM** **BREAK & REFRESHMENTS**
- 11:35 – 1:20 PM** **SESSION 6**
Labour Nationalization in a Globalized World - the GCC Context
Speaker: Mohamad Dito - Bahrain Labour Market Regulatory Authority
Moderator: Nadereh Chamlou - The World Bank
- 1:20 – 2:30 PM** **LUNCH**
Intercontinental Hotel
BOCCACCIO, Marina Level

- 2:30 – 4:15 PM** **SESSION 7**
Labour nationalization in the GCC: interventionist vs. market-driven approaches
 Speaker: Steffen Hertog - London School of Economics
 Moderator: Habibul Haque Khondker - Zayed University, Abu Dhabi
 /Institute of Micro Finance - Bangladesh
- 4:15 – 4:35 PM** **BREAK & REFRESHMENTS**
- 4:35 – 6:20 PM** **SESSION 8**
A Psychological study of Nationalization in the GCC: Gender, Power, and Identity
 Speaker: May Al-Dabbagh - Dubai School of Government
 Moderator: Lawrence Wu - New York University

Free Evening. Please check General Information Sheet for more details.

DAY 3
MONDAY 29 NOVEMBER

- 6:30 – 8:30 AM** **BREAKFAST FOR HOTEL GUESTS**
 Intercontinental Hotel
 SELECTIONS RESTAURANT, 3RD FLOOR
- 8:30 – 8:45 AM** **COFFEE**
 Intercontinental Hotel
 AL WAHA, MARINA LEVEL
- 8:45 – 10:30 AM** **SESSION 9**
Structural Challenges to Emiratization
 Speaker: Jasim Ahmed Mohamed Al-Ali - Department of Economic Development, Government of Dubai
 Moderator: Ingo Forstenlechner - UAE University, Al Ain / Federal Demographic Council, Abu Dhabi
- 10:30 – 10:45 AM** **BREAK & REFRESHMENTS**
- 10:45 – 12:30 PM** **SESSION 10**
Employment trends and youth unemployment in the GCC Countries: What we know and what we can do?
 Speaker: Nada Al-Nashif - International Labor Organization
 Moderator: Jamal Zarrouk - Arab Monetary Fund
- 12:30 – 1:30 PM** **CLOSING SESSION**
Emerging initiatives and future employment opportunities in the MENA
 Nadereh Chamlou - The World Bank
Employment prospects & the required economic reforms in the GCC
 Jamal Zarrouk - Arab Monetary Fund
Concluding remarks and Future workshops
 Samira Atallah - New York University

1:30 – 3:00 PM

LUNCH

Intercontinental Hotel

BOCCACCIO, Marina Level

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**POSSIBLE TOUR OF ABU DHABI : INTERESTED PARTICIPANTS
SHOULD CONTACT SOPHIE CHAMAS**

8:00 PM

Dinner

Intercontinental Hotel

MARINA GARDEN