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THE ECONOMICS  
OF  
THE MIDDLE EAST**

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**Keynote Speech by Sevket Pamuk**

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## Research Initiative on the Economics of the Middle East

Paris Workshop, Monday 05/11/2018

Location : Room 216, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Centre Panthéon, 12 place du Panthéon 75005 Paris

Except the Keynote Speech: Amphithéâtre Bachelard, Sorbonne, 54 rue Saint-Jacques 75005 Paris

08h30-09h00	WELCOMING
09h00-09h15	OPENING
	<b>Session 1</b> : Population Movements
	<b>Chair</b> : Flore Gubert (IRD)
09h15-09h45	<p><b>Maleke Fourati</b> (University of Geneva)            Danielle Hayek (UNSW Business School)  <i>Does immigration affect Muslim behaviour?</i>  <i>Experimental evidence comparing Lebanese immigrants and Lebanese natives</i>            Discussant: <b>Karine Marazyan</b></p>
09h45-10h15	<p><b>Güneş Aşık</b> (TOBB University)  <b>Şevket Pamuk</b> (Boğaziçi University)  <b>Ulaş Karakoç</b> (Humboldt University)  <i>Impact of Minority Population Movements on Regional Development and Inequality in Turkey between 1909-1965</i>            Discussant: <b>Sandrine Mesplé-Soms</b></p>
10h15-10h45	<p><b>Onur Altındag</b> (Bentley University)            Ozan Bakisy (Bahçeşehir University)            Sandra Rozo (University of Southern California)  <i>Blessing or Burden? The Impact of Refugees on Businesses and the Informal Economy</i>            Discussant: <b>Flore Gubert</b></p>
10h45-11h00	BREAK
	<b>Session 2</b> : Political Economy of Government Policies
	<b>Chair</b> : Florence Gaub (European Institute for Security Studies)
11h00-11h30	<p><b>Mounir Mahmalat</b> (Dublin City University)            Declan Curran (Dublin City University)  <i>Polarization, Fractionalization, and Reform: A Framework of Political Collaboration on Reform with Application to Lebanon</i>            Discussant: <b>Abdallah Zouache</b></p>



- 11h30-12h00 **Melani Cammett** (Harvard University)  
**Davide Luca** (GSSI, LSE)  
Ernest Sergenti (World Bank, Washington DC)  
*Unfair play: The politics of Turkey's central government spending under AKP rule*  
Discussant: **Adeel Malik**
- 12h00-13h30 **LUNCH BREAK**  
**Session 3:** Industrial Policies, Cronyism and Firms' behavior  
  
**Chair:** Mohamed Ali Marouani (Paris 1)
- 13h30-14h00 **Amanda F. Zarka** (American University, Washington DC)  
*Bribe Payments and Firm Exports*  
Discussant: **Joachim Jarreau**
- 14h00-14h30 **Nesma Ali** (Heinrich-Heine University Düsseldorf)  
Boris Najman (Université Paris-Est)  
*Cronyism, firms' productivity and informal competition in Egypt*  
Discussant: **Amanda F. Zarka**
- 14h30-15h00 **Michelle Marshalian** (Université de Paris-Dauphine)  
**Mohamed Ali Marouani** (Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne)  
*Winners and Losers in Industrial Policy 2.0: An evaluation of the impacts of the Tunisian Industrial Upgrading Program*  
Discussant: **Bob Rijkers**
- 15h00-15h15 **BREAK**  
**Session 4:** Impact of Refugees on Neighboring countries  
  
**Chair:** El Mouhoub Mouhoud (Paris-Dauphine)
- 15h15-15h45 **Valeria Caccavo** (Bocconi University)  
*The Effects of Legalization on the Labor Market Outcomes of Refugees: Evidence from Syrian Refugees in Lebanon*  
Discussant: **Rémi Bazillier**
- 15h45-16h15 **Nelly El-Mallakh** (Paris School of Economics)  
**Jackline Wahba** (University of Southampton)  
*Syrian Refugees and the Migration Dynamics of Jordanians: Moving in or moving out?*  
Discussant: **Gilles Spielvogel**
- 16h30-18h00 Keynote Lecture:** Uneven Centuries: Observations on Economic Development in Turkey  
**Şevket Pamuk**



**Tuesday 06/11/2018**

**Location :** Room 216, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Centre Panthéon, 12 place du Panthéon 75005 Paris

**Session 5:** Instability, Migration and Social mobility

**Chair:** Maryse Louis (FEMISE)

- 09h00-09h30 **Mina Sami** (American University of Cairo)  
Mona Said (American University of Cairo)  
*Unexpected instability events and Internal migration: Evidence from Egypt*  
Discussant: **Cem Ozguzel**
- 09h30-10h00 **Vladimir Hlasny** (Ewha Womans University)  
Shireen AlAzzawi (Santa Clara University)  
*Return Migration and Socioeconomic Mobility in MENA: Evidence from Labor Market Panel Surveys*  
Discussant: **Marion Mercier**
- 10h00-10h30 **Hajer Habib** (FSEG Tunis El-Manar)  
*Perspectives of migrants flows and remittances between Tunisia and Europe*  
Discussant: **Anda David**

10h30-10h45 BREAK

**Session 6:** Inequality, Poverty and Education

**Chair:** David Cobham (Heriot Watt University)

- 10h45-11h15 **Rana HENDY** (The Doha Institute for Graduate Studies)  
Nizar JOUINI (The Doha Institute for Graduate Studies)  
*Assessing the Impact of Fiscal Policy on Inequality and Poverty: Evidence from the Egypt Household Expenditure Surveys*  
Discussant: **Anne-Sophie Robilliard**
- 11h15-11h45 **Samer Hamati** (School of Economics & Management Universidade do Minho)  
*A Consequence of a Tragedy Nowcasting Poverty Rate in Syria*  
Discussant: **Charlotte Guenard**
- 11h45-12h15 **Mahdi Majbouri** (Babson College and IZA)  
*Eliminating Supply: A Natural Experiment in Higher Education*  
Discussant: **Bjorn Nilsson**

12h15-14h00 LUNCH BREAK



## Session 7: Competition, Institution and Corruption

**Chair:** Adeel Malik (Oxford University)

- 14h00-14h30 **Raad Al-Tal** (University of Aberdeen)  
*The influence of Corruption on Economic Growth in the Middle Eastern and North African Region; Does corruption matter?*  
Discussant: **Cyrine Hannafi**
- 14h30-15h00 **Jala Emad Youssef** (World Bank, Cairo)  
**Chahir Zaki** (Cairo University)  
*A Decade of Competition Policy in Arab Countries: A De Jure and De Facto Assessment*  
Discussant: **Adeel Malik**
- 15h00-15h30 **Islam Abdelbary** (Plymouth University)  
*From Revolutions to Institutions: The Experience of Arab Reform and Economic Growth*  
Discussant: **Abdallah Zouache**

15h30-15h45 BREAK

## Session 8: Macroeconomic Policies

**Chair:** Abdallah Zouache (Sciences-Po Lille)

- 15h45-16h15 **Diaa Noureldin** (American University in Cairo)  
*Much ado about the Egyptian pound: exchange rate misalignment and the path towards equilibrium*  
Discussant: **David Cobham**
- 16h15-16h45 **Brahim Guizani** (FSJEG Jendouba)  
*Monetary Policy in Times of Uncertainties: Evidence from Three Oil-Importing Countries (OICs) in MENA*  
Discussant: **David Cobham**

16h45-17h05 CLOSING REMARKS



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