

Generation in Waiting: The Unfulfilled Promise of Young People in the Middle East



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This talk will be based on a forthcoming edited volume by Tarik Yousef and Navtej Dhillon of Brookings. It summarizes 3 years of research into questions of youth exclusion in the Middle East.

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Guest Chair: Eric Heikkila, Professor of Policy, Planning and Development, USC

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