

Winter 2023 George E. Danis Security & Diplomacy Seminar

Resurgent Nationalism and Challenges Beyond Geopolitics in the Eastern Mediterranean

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Schedule of Presentations and Panels

Monday, February 20, 2023

Seminar Opening:

Mr. George E. Danis Welcome and Opening

Dr. Harris Mylonas

Resurgent Nationalism

10:00 EST/17:00 EET

Dr. Elizabeth Prodromou

Religion, Nationalism and Geopolitics: Global Trends

13:00 EST /20:00 EET

Tuesday, February 21, 2023

Ms. Koukiddes-Prokopiou

The Cyprus conundrum, past and present, in the geopolitical context of the Eastern Mediterranean

8:00 EST/15:00 EET

Dr. Zenonas Tziaras

The New Nationalism of Turkish Foreign Policy

10:00 EST/17:00 EET

Dr. Aykan Erdemir

*Turkey's....*TBA*

13:00 EST /20:00 EET

Wednesday, February 22, 2023

Dr. Dimitris Tsarouhas, Ms. Ino Afentouli

Cooperation Challenges & Obstacles in the Eastern Mediterranean (NATO & EU)

8:00 EST /15:00 EET

Amb. Vesko Garcevic, Dr. Ivan Videnovic, Ms. Una Hajdari,

Mr. Aleksandar Brezar

The Western Balkans: Geopolitics and Nationalism

10:00 EST /17:00 EET

Dr. Yasmine Hasnaoui

The Libya Conflict: Security and Geopolitical Implications in the Eastern Mediterranean.

13:00 EST /20:00 EET

Thursday, February 23, 2023

Ambassador Ram Aviram

Walking on the Tightrope Between Values and Interest: New Challenges for the Stability of East Mediterranean

8:00 EST /15:00 EET

Dr. Theodore Tsakiris

The Sources of Turkish Conduct: The ideological origins of Turkish Revisionism and Greece's Containment Strategies

10:00 EST /17:00 EET

Dr. Gabriel Haritos

Israeli Domestic Politics and Regional Foreign Policy

13:00 EST /20:00 EET

Friday, February 24, 2023

Dr. Dimitris Triantaphyllou
The Security Dynamics in the Black Sea Region
8:00 EST /15:00 EET

Ms. Katerina Sokou
*US engagement in the Eastern Mediterranean:
Crisis management and regional partnerships*

Dr. Anna Visvizi
*Silenced Tensions Between the Southern and Eastern Flanks of NATO
and its Security Implications*
10:00 EST /17:00 EET

Mr. Rami Khouri
Whose Nation and Nationalism? Whose Security?
13:00 EST /20:00 EET