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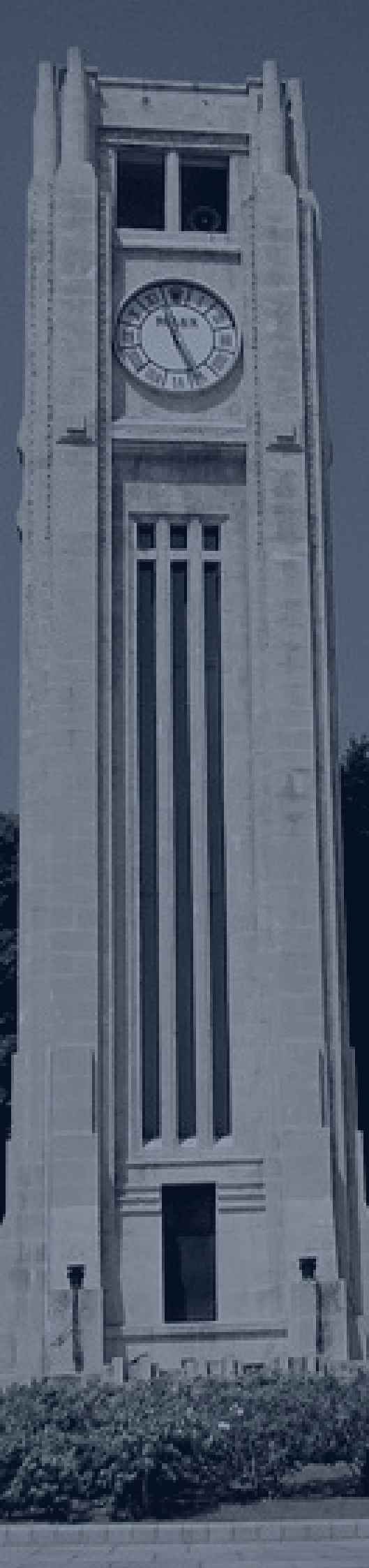
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PROGRAM

9:00AM

WELCOME REMARKS

Adele Lindenmeyr

Dean of CLAS, *Villanova University*

Hibba Abugideiri

Director of CAIS, *Villanova University*

9:30AM

PANEL PRESENTATION

Moderator

Catherine Warrick, *Villanova University*

Panelists

Mohammed Bamyeh, *University of Pittsburgh*

Samer Abboud, *Arcadia University*

Nicole Sunday Grove, *University of Hawai'i Manoa*

Omar S. Dahi, *Hampshire College*

Waleed Hazbun, *American University of Beirut*

11:30 AM

KEYNOTE ADDRESS & LUNCHEON

Sami Hermez, *Northwestern University in Qatar*

1:00 PM

WORKSHOP

4:00 PM

CONCLUDING REMARKS

PANELISTS

Mohammed Bamyeh is Professor of Sociology at the University of Pittsburgh and a board member of the Arab Council for the Social Sciences. He is the author of a number of book chapters, articles, and books, including *Anarchy as Order: The History and Future of Civic Humanity* and *Of Death and Dominion: The Existential Foundations of Governance*. He recently led the research and publication of *Social Sciences in the Arab World: Forms of Presence* which explores the state of the social sciences in the Arab World.

Samer Abboud is Associate Professor of International Studies at Arcadia University. During the 2017-2018 academic year, he is a visiting scholar at Villanova University's Center for Arab and Islamic Studies. Samer is the co-author (with Benjamin Muller) of *Rethinking Hizballah: Authority, Legitimacy, Violence* and the author of *Syria*. In addition to numerous book chapters, he has also published in *Security Dialogue*, *Arab Studies Quarterly*, *New Political Science*, *The International Journal of Contemporary Iraqi Studies*, and *Peace Review*. He currently serves as an editorial board member for the Middle East Research and Information Project (MERIP).

PANELISTS

Nicole Sunday Grove is Assistant Professor of Political Science at the University of Hawai'i at Manoa, with affiliations in the Hawai'i Research Center for Futures Studies and the International Cultural Studies Program. Most recently, she received the 2016-2017 Fulbright Scholar Award in the Middle East and North Africa Regional Research Program. Nicole's work has been published in *Security Dialogue*, *Globalizations*, and the *Journal of Critical Globalization Studies*. She is also an Associate Editor for the journal *International Political Sociology*.

Omar S. Dahi is Associate Professor of Economics at Hampshire College. He received his B.A. in economics from California State University at Long Beach, and his M.A. and Ph.D. in economics from the University of Notre Dame, Indiana. His research and teaching interests are in the areas of economic development and international trade, with a special focus on South-South economic cooperation, and on the political economy of the Middle East and North Africa.

Waleed Hazbun is Associate Professor of International Politics at the American University of Beirut (AUB), where from 2011-2016 he served as Director of the Center for Arab and Middle Eastern Studies (CAMES). He is author of *Beaches, Ruins, Resorts: The Politics of Tourism in the Arab World* and co-editor of *New Conflict Dynamics: Between Regional Autonomy and Intervention in the Middle East and North Africa*. His current research project explores the global politics of airports and aviation in the Middle East.

KEYNOTE

Sami Hermez is Assistant Professor of Anthropology in residence at Northwestern University in Qatar. He obtained his doctorate degree from the Department of Anthropology at Princeton University. His recently published book with Penn Press, *War is Coming: Between Past and Future Violence in Lebanon* (2017), focuses on the everyday life of political violence in Lebanon and how people recollect and anticipate this violence. His broader research concerns include the study of social movements, the state, memory, security, and human rights in the Arab World. He has held posts including Visiting Scholar in the Department of Anthropology at Harvard University, Visiting Professor of Contemporary International Issues at the University of Pittsburgh, Visiting Professor of Anthropology at Mt. Holyoke College, and Postdoctoral Fellow at the Centre for Lebanese Studies, St. Antony's College, Oxford University. At Northwestern in Qatar he teaches classes in anthropology that include topics such as violence and gender in the Middle East.

