

The Statecraft of Small States: Foreign Policy and Survival Strategies

February 27, 2019

Middle East Institute, National University of Singapore

- 09:00 – 09:20 Registration and coffee
- 09:20 – 09:45 Introductory remarks
Bilahari Kausikan (Chairman, Middle East Institute, NUS)
Nader Kabbani (Director of Research, Brookings Doha Center)
- 09:45 – 11:30 Panel 1
- Bilahari Kausikan (Chairman, Middle East Institute, NUS)
Why small states should not behave like small states.
- Rory Miller (Georgetown University, Qatar)
Negotiating Insecurity: Small States and Informal Security Coalitions in the Middle East
- Heinz Gartner (International Institute for Peace & University of Vienna)
Engaged Small Neutral States
- Luiz Pinto (BRICS Overseas)
Sovereign Economic Dominance and Resiliency in Small Resource Rich States
- 11:30 – 11:45 Coffee break
- 11:45 – 13:15 Panel 2
- Mehran Kamrava (CIRS, Georgetown University, Qatar)
Qatari Foreign Policy and the Exercise of Subtle Power
- Abdallah Baabood (Qatar University)
Oman Foreign Policy: Omni balancing in a turmoil region
- Ranj Alaaldin (Brookings Doha Center)
The Securitization of Small States and Security Interdependency

13:15 – 15:00

Lunch

15:00 – 16:45

Panel 3

Yaniv Voller (University of Kent)

Israel: A Small State in Search for a Periphery

Jacob Eriksson (University of York)

The Northern Lights: Swedish and Norwegian foreign policies of peace

Juergen Braunstein (Harvard Kennedy School)

Singapore in the Global Energy Transition

Baldur Thorhallsson (University of Iceland – via webex)

Small States and Shelter Theory: Iceland's External Affairs

16:45 – 17:00

Roundup

19:00

Dinner – Coriander Leaf located at Chijmes, 30 Victoria Street.

