Call for Papers for 2017 Workshop

*New perspectives on the political economy of the Middle East*

27-28 October, 2017 (Friday morning-Saturday afternoon)

The purpose of this workshop is to bring together researchers working on different aspects of economic development in the Middle East, with a particular emphasis on economic policies which could and/or should be implemented by governments in the region. The workshop is open to considering rigorous research from both economists and political scientists. Fresh Phds and early career researchers are especially encouraged to apply. The 2017 workshop will consider in particular emerging perspectives on the political economy of the Middle East. The following sub-themes will be especially welcome in the Oxford/OCIS workshop:

- Political economy of reforms in the post-Arab spring context
- Natural resources and political institutions
- Monetary and Fiscal Policies in the Arab world
- Economic systems in the Arab world in a comparative perspective (Latin-America, South Asia)
- Social policies in the Middle East
- Political economy of conflict
- The moral economy of Islam and its contemporary relevance

**Funding.** It is hoped that most participants will be able to finance their travel and accommodation from their own institutions, but there will be a small fund available to help those who cannot. A list of suitable hotels will be circulated nearer the time.

**Papers** should be submitted to adeel.malik@qeh.ox.ac.uk by 1 August 2017; authors will be informed about the decisions no later than 15 August.

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