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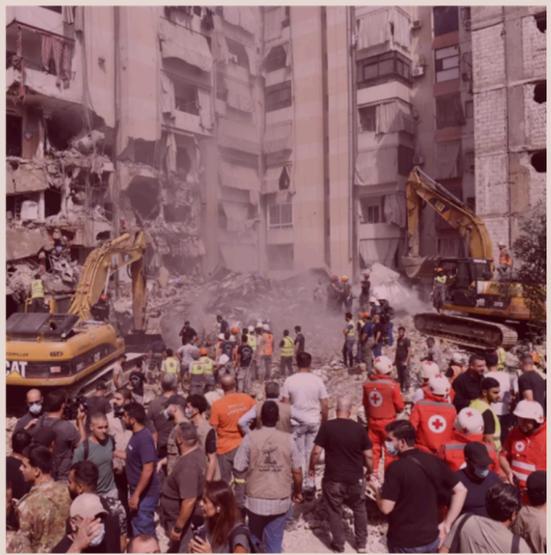
NEWS



INSTITUTE INSIGHTS: MARC AYOUB

In the fourth episode of "Institute Insights" IFI Associate Fellow Marc Ayoub sheds light on the repercussions of the Gaza war on the region's energy sector and prospects of East-Med energy diplomacy.

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IFI IN THE MEDIA: ONGOING ANALYSIS

Read the ongoing analysis provided by the Institute's inhouse and fellow experts featured on local, regional and international media, on the war on Lebanon and its repercussions.

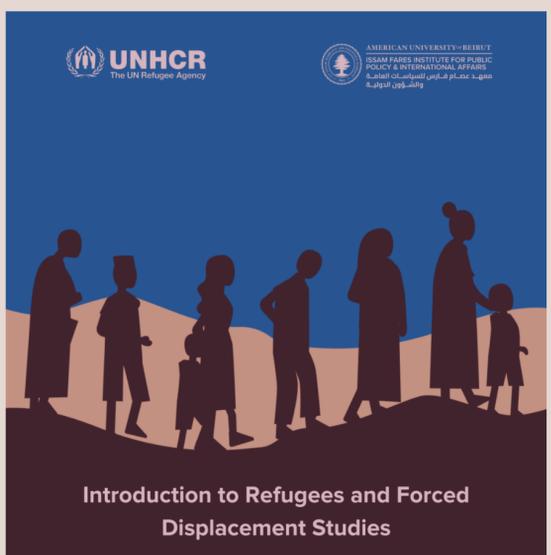
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LAUNCHING A THINK TANK NETWORK FOR THE ARAB REGION

IFI and ME Council launched the Think Tank Network for the Arab region, gathering leading MENA think tanks to enhance joint policy impact across the region.

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INTRODUCTION TO REFUGEES AND FORCED DISPLACEMENT STUDIES

IFI in collaboration with UNHCR launched an online crash course designed to gather expertise from specialized organizations to equip students with essential knowledge on refugees.

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A THREE DIMENSIONAL PERSPECTIVE ON EU POLICY TOWARDS LEBANON

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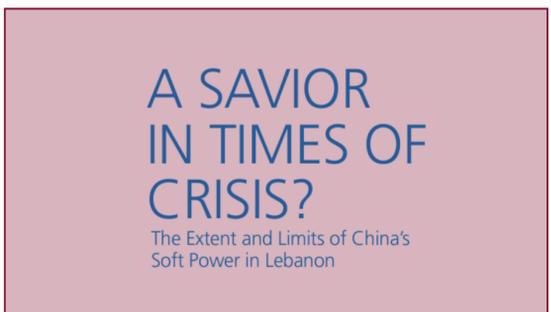
POLICY BRIEF NO.1: FISCAL POLICY REFORM

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LEGAL FRAMEWORK FOR WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT IN LEBANON

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THE EXTENT AND LIMITS OF CHINA'S SOFT POWER IN LEBANON

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POLICY BLOG



Trump's Possible Return: Redefining US Policy in a Shifting Middle East

"If Donald Trump returns to the White House, what would 4 years of Trump's Middle East foreign policy mean for the region?"

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Privatization of Lebanon's Beaches

"Beach privatization effectively started during the civil war of 1975, as developers took advantage of the absence of governmental authorities and their ability to enforce land administration laws."

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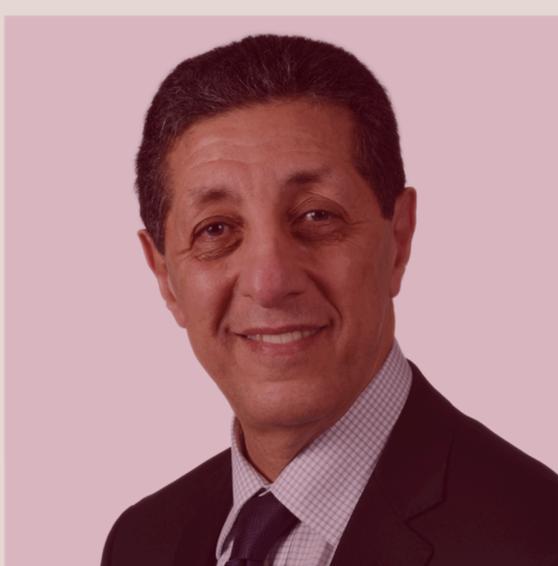
Political Polarization in Jordan after the War on Gaza

"By establishing a NATO liaison office in Jordan, the alliance not only acknowledges Jordan's strategic importance but also enhances its capacity to act as a mediator."

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ANNOUNCEMENTS



ASSOCIATE FELLOW, HESHAM YOUSSEF

We are pleased to welcome Amb. Hesham Youssef as an Associate Fellow and Senior Advisor to the Regional and International Affairs Cluster, joining as an expert on Middle East politics.

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INTERNS' BLOG

Our recently-launched Interns' Blog is dedicated to pieces by IFI interns, based on their research interests and/or area of studies. Keep an eye on this space for upcoming pieces!

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EVENTS

10/08/2024

GAZA, ONE YEAR AFTER: REGIONAL PERSPECTIVES

On the eve of the first anniversary of the Gaza war, IFI hosted the "Gaza, One Year After: Regional Perspectives" webinar. With this unprecedented war being waged by Israel ongoing with no clear or obvious end in sight, speakers presented the needed context that paved the way for this war and their analysis on how they envision the future of the region as a result.

[Watch here](#)

GAZA, ONE YEAR AFTER
REGIONAL PERSPECTIVES

SPEAKERS

- MUSTAFA BARGHOUTI**
MUBADARA SEC GEN - PLO CENTRAL COUNCIL MEMBER
- MARWAN MUASHER**
FMR JORDANIAN DEPUTY PM - VP OF CARNEGIE ENDOWMENT
- NASSIF HITTI**
FMR LEBANESE FOREIGN MINISTER - ARAB LEAGUE AMB
- HESHAM YOUSSEF**
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MODERATOR

- JOSEPH BAHOUT**
IFI DIRECTOR - ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF PRACTICE - DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL STUDIES



09/24/2024

MENA THINK TANK FORUM

IFI and ME Council held the MENA Think Tank Forum in Doha, Qatar along the sidelines of which they launched the Think Tank Network for the Arab region with 18 other think tanks. The two-day event gathered leading think tanks from across the Arab region to address critical challenges impacting the region and to explore strategies for deeper institutional collaboration.

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