

CALL FOR CONTRIBUTIONS

The Middle East Research Hub is launching three webinar & short publication series on research topics relating to (1) Climate and water scarcity in North Africa (2) Public Health Concerns in MENA and (3) Political Legitimacy in Times of Crisis. We will be hosting interdisciplinary and cross-regional discussion panels between January and February 2021, inviting young experts to share perspectives from political sciences, social psychology, economy, sociology and human right advocacy. Applicants should submit a one-page proposal for contributions including a 300-word abstract, the title of the webinar series for which they are applying (see below) and a short bio (150 words) to info@the-middle-east-research-hub.com by December 20th.

- 1. Climate and water scarcity in North Africa:** regional conflict over water resources, demographic explosion, degradation of the hydraulic infrastructures, threats to wetlands, pathways to clean energy transitions, etc...
- 2. Public health Concerns in the Middle East and North Africa (MENA):** How did governments respond to the Covid-19 health crisis? Should mental health be part of the public health priorities? What are the needs in terms of infrastructures, skills and policy?
- 3. Political Legitimacy in Times of Crisis:** Which political actors gain legitimacy in times of crisis? How can legitimacy be measured and what does it say about political stability?

What is the Middle East Research Hub (MERH)?

The Middle East Research Hub is a non-profit initiative designed to promote the work of independent researchers and analysts with skills and expertise applied to the Middle East and North Africa (MENA). Its aim is to encourage the development of an alternative research agenda by delivering original research outputs, drawing attention to public issues and evidences of social change that are overlooked by the media and the international community. Find out more: www.merh.org. We welcome contributions from young researchers, PhD students and independent analysts looking to expand their network and demonstrate impact by drawing public attention to their research interests.