

Workshop No. 1

**Towards a Global Coalition: Gulf Countries, BRICS+,
and the Future of the Global Order**

Workshop Schedule

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Wednesday, 10 July 2024	
9:00-9:15	Welcome
9:15-10:00	Paper One Introduction Esmat Zaidan (Hamad Bin Khalifa University - CCP), Osmany Porto de Oliveira (Federal University of São Paulo)
10:00-10:45	Paper Two Hong Liu (Center for China and Globalization): “Building a Cohesive Global Order: Promoting Interregionalism between GCC and BRICS” Discussant: Osmany Porto de Oliveira (Federal University of São Paulo)
10.45-11.15	Coffee break
11:15-12:00	Paper Three Máté Szalai (Ca’Foscari University): “De-Globalizing the Gulf? How the GCC Governments are Managing Multipolarity amidst Great Power Rivalry” Discussant: Esmat Zaidan (Hamad Bin Khalifa University - CCP)
12:00-12:45	Paper Four Charalampos Giannakopoulos & Georgios Dimitropoulos: “The Gulf Cooperation Council and its Member States: Emerging Inter-Regional Players?”

	Discussant: Hong Liu (Center for China and Globalization)
12:45-14:30	Lunch break (lunch is served at 13.00, please make sure to be there on time as it will roughly be a 15/20 minutes walk to King's College)
14:30-15:15	<p>Paper Five</p> <p>Chiara Lovotti: "The Russian pivot. Analysing Moscow's Influence in a Multipolar Middle East"</p> <p>Discussant: Charalampos Giannakopoulos</p>
15:15-16:00	<p>Paper Six</p> <p>Diana Galeeva (University of Oxford): "Saudi and UAE Paths to BRICS: The Impact to Their Relations with Russia"</p> <p>Discussant: Jing Gu (Institute of Development Studies)</p>
16:00-16:30	Coffee break
16:30-17:15	<p>Paper Seven</p> <p>Jing Gu (Institute of Development Studies): "Dancing with the Dragon: China's Growing Engagements in the Gulf Countries"</p> <p>Discussant: Chiara Lovotti</p>
17:15-18:00	<p>Wrap-up and group discussion</p> <p>Esmat Zaidan and Osmany Porto de Oliveira</p>
END OF FIRST DAY	
Thursday, 11 July 2024	
09:00-09:15	Workshop Summary for Day 1
09:15-10:00	<p>Paper Eight</p> <p>Artem Adrianov [recorded] (Independent Researcher): "Mediating the Conflict in Ukraine: Saudi Arabia and the UAE's quest for shaping the new global order"</p> <p>Discussant: Diana Galeeva (University of Oxford)</p>
10:00-10:45	<p>Paper Nine</p> <p>Osmany Porto de Oliveira (Federal University of São Paulo): "International Politics, Policies and Geopolitics in the BRICS+ and Gulf Countries: Perspectives from Brazil"</p> <p>Discussant: Mingchun Xu (Cambridge University)</p>
10:45-11:15	Coffee break
11:15-12:00	<p>Paper Ten</p> <p>Vânia Carvalho Pinto (University of Brasilia): "The UAE's potential role in the BRICS+, with a focus on Brazilian perceptions"</p> <p>Discussant: László Csicsmann (Corvinus University of Budapest)</p>
12:00-12:45	Paper Eleven

	<p>Mingchun Xu, Emma Mawdsley (University of Cambridge): Understanding China in the BRICS+: From Domestic to Foreign Policy Experimentation</p> <p>Discussant: Mohamed Eskandar Shah</p>
12:45-14:30	Lunch break at workshop venues
14:30-15:15	<p>Paper Twelve Mohamed Eskandar Shah, Logan Cochrane, Atieh Hajian (Hamad bin Khalifa University): “Navigating the Oasis: Qatar's Journey of Triumphs”</p> <p>Discussant: Artem Adrianov (Independent Researcher)</p>
15:15-16:00	<p>Paper Thirteen</p> <p>László Csicsmann (Corvinus University of Budapest): “Competing interconnectivity in a shifting international order: the geopolitics of the India-Middle East Corridor (IMEC) Initiative”</p> <p>Discussant: Vânia Carvalho Pinto (University of Brasilia)</p>
16:00-16:45	<p>Paper Fourteen, Fifteen and Sixteen (presentation by videorecording - TBC)</p> <p>Tomás Mugica, Ariel González Levaggi (Pontifical Catholic University of Argentina – Argentina): “Argentina's BRICS arrival: between domestic pressures and geopolitical Implications”</p> <p>Jad Salha (Qatar University): “Eco-Diplomacy: BRICS+ and GCC's Collective Impact on Global Climate Action”</p> <p>Máté Szalai (Corvinus University of Budapest)</p> <p>Shady A. Mansour: "GCC and BRICS alignment on the Ukrainian conflict; Implications for the International system"</p> <p>Feedbacks provided by the workshop directors to the authors by email</p>
16:45-17:15	<p>Wrap-up, group discussion and next steps Osmany Porto de Oliveira and Esmat Zaidan</p>

DINNER JULY 11TH 19:00 (BST) AT KING'S COLLEGE