

„The hopeful Arab Spring has since 2011 produced unexpected outcomes: return of Al-Qaeda to the Middle East, civil war in Syria, return of dictatorship to Egypt. These developments pose challenges to regional security and mean that the Arab world will remain a cauldron of conflict and instability in the near term. Addressing these issues will have to take place in the context of reduced American and European engagement with the Middle East, a decline in Turkey’s regional influence, growth of sectarian tensions in the region, and heightened Arab-Iran rivalry at a time when the international community is seeking a resolution to Iran’s nuclear program. This talk will discuss the emerging strategic dynamic in the Middle East and the nature of challenges facing the West in managing regional affairs.“
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Vali Nasr

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Discussants

Heinz Gärtner, Cengiz Günay, Gudrun Harrer

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Florian Schwarz

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