



Asian studies Unit Activities

2019

- ◆ **Delegation visit to China:** KFCRIS Chairman of the Board, HRH Prince Turki AlFaisal, KFCRIS Director of Research, Dr. Abdullah Al-Saud, and Dr. Mohammed Al-Sudairi, participated in the Middle East Security Forum, organized by China Institute of International Studies in Beijing, China, 2728- November 2019.
- ◆ **Workshop:** Dr. Andrea Ghiselli, Learning to be a Great Power: China and the Middle East, 21 November 2019.
- ◆ **Meeting** with a delegation from the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences led by Dr. Tang Zhichao, Director of Middle East Studies, 14 November 2019.
- ◆ **Workshop:** Collaboration with Boao Forum for Asia, “Global Economic Prospects: Opportunities and Challenges” 27 October 2019. Participation from the former Governor of the People’s Bank of China, Dr. Zhou Xiaochuan, and the General Secretary of the Boao Forum for Asia, Mr. Li Baodong.
- ◆ **Public Lecture:** Kent Calder, “Super Continent: The Logic of Eurasian Integration”, 27 August 2019.
- ◆ **Delegation visit to China:** KFCRIS Director of Research, Dr. Abdullah Al-Saud, participated in Tsinghua University’s ‘World Peace Forum’ (世界和平论坛). Attendance at Tsinghua University Area Studies Forum , 812- June 2019.
- ◆ **Delegation visit to Hong Kong (China):** Collaboration with Hong Kong Policy Research Institute and Chinese University of Hong Kong, 2126- June 2019.
- ◆ **Workshop:** Collaboration with Al-Anoud Al-Sabah (Kuwait) and Khalifah Al-Tunaiji (United Arab Emirates), “ China and the region: Gulf Visions”, 11 April 2019.
- ◆ **Public Lecture:** Dr. Kerry Brown (King’s College), “The World According to Xi Jinping”, 10 April 2019.
- ◆ **Presentation:** Mohammed Al-Sudairi, “The ‘Secondary Enemy’: Maoist China in the Saudi Domestic-Foreign Nexus”, Cold War Islamisms International Workshop at the Freie University of Berlin, 15 March 2019.

◆ **Meeting** with a delegation from the China Institute of International Studies (CIIS) led by Dr. Wang Youming, Dean of Department for Developing Countries Studies of CIIS, 14 March 2019.

◆ **Workshop:** Shahad Turkistani participation in a “Sino-Korean Relations” workshop, Prince Saud Al-Faisal Institute for Diplomatic Studies, 26 February 2019.

◆ **Presentation:** Mohammed Al-Sudairi, “The ‘Religious Westphalian’ Turn in Eurasia: The Consequences for Sino-Gulf Trans-Islamic Networks”, The Middle East Institute, the National University of Singapore, 12 February 2019.

◆ **Presentation:** Shahad Turkistanipaper contribution in the “Violent Extremism in the Middle East Dialogue”, Japanese Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Hiroshima, Kyoto, Tokyo), 29- February 2019.

◆ **Meeting** with Assistant Director Dr. Hosaka Shuji of the Japanese Institute of Middle Eastern Economics JIME, 28 January 2019.

◆ **Workshop:** Collaboration with the Hong Kong Policy Research Institute, “South-China’s Integration Experience”, 14 January 2019.

◆ **Workshop:** Mohammed Al-Sudairi, “Is There an Islamic Response to Globalization? ”, The Asia Global Institute, The University of Hong Kong, 10 December 2018.

◆ **Workshop:** Mohammed Al-Sudairi, “The Belt and Road Initiative in the Long-term Plan of Building China’s Moderately Prosperous Society”, Peking University, 6 December 2018.

◆ **Public Lecture:** Dr. Kaoru Iokibe (University of Tokyo), “The Meiji Restoration: A Look into Japanese Modernization Efforts in the 19th and 20th centuries”, 30 September 2018.

◆ **Presentation:** Shahad Turkistani, “The Future of Saudi-Japanese Relations under the New

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◆ **Workshop:** Collaboration with Dr. Niu Xinchun with accompanying delegation (Chinese Institute of Contemporary International Relations) “Saudi Domestic and regional affairs”, 19 September 2018.

◆ **Presentation:** Mohammed Al-Sudairi, “Unifying Hearts and Minds: China’s United Front Work Activity in Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates”, Center for Contemporary Arab Studies in Georgetown University, 10 August 2018.

◆ **Delegation visit to China:** KFCRIS Secretary-General-, Dr. Saud Al-Sarhan and Researcher Dr. Mohammed Al-Sudairi, participated in Tsinghua University's 'World Peace Forum' (世界和平论坛). Collaborative Panel between Forum organizers and KFCRIS was held on the subject of "Middle East Peace", 1415- July 2018. Meeting held with The Chinese People's Association for Friendship with Foreign Countries Research Center for People-to-People Diplomacy's Director General Li Xinyu.

◆ **Exhibition:** "Shēndu... Depth: The World behind the Lense" by Saudi Photographer Khalid Al-Sudairy, 812- May 2018 (in collaboration with the Museums Department).

◆ **Delegation visit to China:** Participation in the Chinese Ministry of Foreign Affairs and China-Arab Reform and Development Research Centre's 'China-Arab States Reform and Development Forum' (中国-阿拉伯国家改革发展论坛), 2125- April 2018. Meeting held with Tsinghua University's former President Gu Binglin and the Area Study Institute's Associate Director Zhang Jing.

◆ **Presentation:** Dr. Wan Lei, "The hardships of the alien merchants between the Arabic Gulf and Chinese coastal cities during the Tang and Song dynasties," Chinese University of Hong Kong, March 2018.

◆ **Presentation:** Dr. Jon B. Alterman (Center for Strategic and International Studies), "The Sino-American Rivalry in the Middle East and the Strategic Triangle," 21 March 2018.

◆ **Workshop:** Mohammed Al-Sudairi participation in Arab Gulf States Institute (Washington D.C.) roundtable, "Gulf Rising: GCC-East Asia Relations," 28 February 2018.

Sino-Saudi Cultural Dialogue Month (January 2018)

◆ **Public Lecture:** Professor Agius Dionisius (Exeter University), "The Road to China: Seaborne Exploration in Medieval Islam," 29 January 2018.

◆ **Public Lecture:** Dr. Yan Xuetong (Tsinghua University), "China and the Changing World Order," 22 January 2018.

◆ **Workshop:** Collaboration with the Institute for International and Strategic Studies (IISS) at Peking University (Professor Wang Jisi and Dr. Wu Bingbing), "China's Great Power Relations in the New Era," 14 January 2018.

Launch of the Chinese-language KFCRIS website, 14 January 2018.